

Witness Name: William Murray

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## INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

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### WRITTEN STATEMENT OF DR WILLIAM MURRAY

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I provide this statement in response to a request under Rule 9 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 dated 1 July 2019.

I, Dr William Murray, will say as follows: -

#### Section 1: Introduction

1. My name is William Murray. My address is GRO-C

My date of birth is GRO-C 1951. My qualifications are:

- i) M.B. Ch. B. - University of Glasgow - June 1975
- ii) M.R.C.P. (UK) 1979
- iii) M.R.C. Path 1987
- iv) F.R.C.P. (Edinburgh) - date unknown
- v) F.R.C.P. (Glasgow) - date unknown
- vi) F.R.C.Path - 1997

2. The positions I have held, and my role and responsibilities within these, are as follows:

- i. J.H.O (Surgery), Glasgow Royal Infirmary. August 1975 - February 1976  
Day to day care of broad range of patients as most junior member of team.
- ii. J.H.O. (medicine) Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow. February 1976 - July 1976

Day to day care broad range of patients as most junior member of team.

- iii. S.H.O. Radiotherapy Dept., Western Infirmary, Glasgow. August 1976 - January 1977  
Day to day care of patients with malignant conditions requiring Radiotherapy. This was under supervision of Consultant Radiotherapists.
- iv. S.H.O. Department of Oncology. February 1977 - July 1977  
Day to day care of patients requiring chemotherapy for a range of malignant disorders. This was under supervision of Prof. Kenneth Calman and Dr Gordon McVie.
- v. S.H.O./Registrar Dept. of Medicine, Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow. August 1977 - 1980  
Day to day care of similar broad spectrum of patients with need for investigation and treatment under supervision of Consultant Physician. Regular "on call" for investigation and treatment of medical conditions as emergency.
- vi. Registrar, Department of Haematology, Stobhill Hospital, Glasgow. 1980 - 1983  
Day to day care of patients with broad range of Haematological conditions. I was also involved in laboratory investigation for patients throughout the hospital. This was care under supervision of two Consultant Haematologists, Dr Cumming and Dr Hogg.
- vii. Senior Registrar, Blood Transfusion Service, Edinburgh Royal Infirmary with rotation to Haematology Department in Edinburgh Royal Infirmary and Western General Hospital. 1983 - 1987  
This involved provision of blood and other products e.g. platelets for patients throughout the hospital. This was again under the supervision of a Consultant in Blood Transfusion.  
  
With regard to Haematology rotation I was involved in treatment and investigation of patients with a broad range of Haematological conditions ranging from Bone Marrow Transplant to Hereditary Coagulation Defects.
- viii. Consultant Haematologist, Raigmore Hospital, Inverness. 1987-2010

In this role I was responsible for provision of laboratory investigation of a group of patients resident in the Highlands and Islands. I also cared for patients with a broad spectrum of Haematological disorders both in an in patient and out patient setting. This included patients with Hereditary Coagulation Disorders.

3. I had a peripheral role in the Penrose Inquiry.

## **Section 2: Responses to criticism of Bruce Norval**

4. As an Undergraduate Medical Student I was taught to treat all patients with compassion. I endeavoured to do this during my 35 years as a Medical Practitioner. I do not recall any incident where I treated Mr Norval with anything other than respect and am disappointed that he should think this of me.
5. I knew of Mr Norval's background as a campaigner. At no time was he given less attention to care than any other patient whose treatment I managed. I am again disappointed that he should think this of me and did not take the opportunity to voice his concern during his regular visits to the Haematology Clinic. I had two Consultant colleagues who could have taken over his care if required.
6. Finally, I find it surprising that Mr Norval has recollection of these events but still could not initially remember my name.

## **Statement of Truth**

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

Signed **GRO-C**

Dated AUG 6<sup>th</sup> 2015