

Carl Anthony WILLIAMS

States: My full name is Carl Anthony Williams; I am 36 years of age and was born [REDACTED]

I make this statement in the belief that no part of it can be used as evidence against me.

I first met a policeman by the name of Paul DALE sometime after my release in 2002. I am not sure of the date. I had been in custody on remand for drug charges. I did not know DALE prior to this I might have heard his name around. He came out to prison to [REDACTED] he wanted to meet me when I got out.

At one of the meetings I had with Paul DALE he told me that there was an outstanding bill of \$[REDACTED] to be paid to him for him providing [REDACTED] after the committal of [REDACTED] for the murder of [REDACTED]. I paid this [REDACTED] in cash to Paul Dale I don't remember where we were at the time. I paid the money because [REDACTED] is a close friend of mine. I have read the statement. I'm pretty sure the statement was about [REDACTED]. I'm not sure if I was shown the statement by Dale or it could have been [REDACTED] that showed it to me.

I first met him at the Brunswick Club where Lewis MORAN was killed. Dale had passed a message on for me to go there through [REDACTED]. I am not sure of the time of day that the first meeting happened but I went there alone. I only talked to Dale alone. We just sort of touched base he was telling me that he could keep an eye out for me and he wanted to make some money out of it. I took this to mean that he would keep an eye out for what was going on with the police with investigations and things like that.

I gave him a contact number I don't remember the number now because I had so many bodgy phones. We agreed to catch up from time to time and he would provide information.

I couldn't be precise when the next meeting took place but over time there was a lot of meetings. We would have meetings and he would keep me updated as to what was going on. One time he met me near the noodle bar in Centre way Keilor and he told me that there was some [REDACTED] that was trying to [REDACTED]. He showed me a piece of paper or report which was about this [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to either the drug squad [REDACTED]. The report referred to me as [REDACTED]. It said this [REDACTED] he had been in trouble for [REDACTED]. He calls himself [REDACTED]. I suspected that this guy was not much good but the paper Dale showed me confirmed this.

From time to time I would give him an envelope with money in it. It ranged from \$2000 to \$5000. The \$5000 was a one off in relation to [REDACTED] that he told me about. [REDACTED] was into [REDACTED]. I didn't know who they were but I later found out they were [REDACTED]. He told me that he was working on the investigation and my name had come up on a listening device and there was a camera in there and they were fucked anyway and it was just about to go down. I think he told me to let [REDACTED] know too. This was [REDACTED]. He told me this in a Swimming Pool somewhere up near Seaford. We did it at the swimming pool because he was paranoid of me and I was paranoid of him.

Dale had two pair of shorts or swimming togs we put these on and got into the pool and walked up and down in the water. I would have got a phone call to meet him. I went alone to this meeting. It was around this time that he told me that Dale Flynn got him in and said the word around is that you are telling Williams too much and Williams has got you wrapped around his little finger.

He did not tell me who the [REDACTED] were just it was [REDACTED], he mentioned they were [REDACTED] and he told me just to pull up on whatever I was doing I took this to mean to stop drug dealing. I went and told [REDACTED] a [REDACTED] he didn't seem worried. I am not sure if it was this time that he told me about Dale FLYNN it could have been then next time I saw him.

I seen him a few times after that but I don't remember exactly where he met me. I met him once at Crown Casino he was with Miechel. Miechel was outside of Bar Codes and Dale was down near in the kids' fun zone. He would just pass on information. Miechel knew I was meeting him and he told me where he was I believe that Miechel was keeping lookout. Most times I met Dale I would give him money usually \$1000 or \$2000. I met him one time in Bridport Street Albert Park [REDACTED] was nearby at a café [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was with me and so was my father George and Andrew Venamin were with me. We were going to meet with [REDACTED] who was with [REDACTED]. Paul DALE was with is wife and his son. I spoke to him socially at this time he told me to be careful but that was it there didn't appear to be anything behind it. He told me that he would need to put in a report that he had met with me because surveillance was all over me at the time. I also met him at Airport West Shopping Centre I met him in the food court he was with Miechel that was probably early on. He told me he had been told to wear a wire when he come to meet me. At this meeting he and Miechel were asking me about Jason MORAN and if I wanted them to do anything I didn't know whether they were fair dinkum or trying to set me up. They said \$400,000, 200 a person for them. I told them they were dreaming. Dale said he could put Jason MORANS name down on a thing and anyone checked him he would be notified. Miechel was part of this conversation. He had told me that he had done this with me I think he did this. They said that wanted to know if I would get on board and help the police.



I am not sure if it was after or before this meeting at Airport West but I had another meeting with Dale and Miechel. Miechel was there but not able to hear he was some distance away. Dale told me that Mark SMITH had come down from Queensland and had given Hodson a gun to hold and they had a little red car that they were planning to get me in. It was SMITHS plan but Hodson was passing on the information to Miechel. I'm pretty sure he said Hodson but he might have said an informer. I had met with Mark SMITH before this meeting with Dale that meeting with SMITH was at the Taylors Lakes Gym. I went to this meeting on my own. I told him that I believed Jason MORAN had hired him to kill me; he denied it and said it was a rumor to cause trouble. Not long after this SMITH was shot.

I never went out socially with Dale he rang me once to go out. It was the date of the birthday of Vicki from Theo's office was having a party at the Cigar Bar at Crown. I got a telephone call from Solicitor Nicola GOBBO and she put DALE on the telephone. Dale sounded pissed, he said come down here, and he was at Port Melbourne. I told him I was not going he said he would come to my place; I said you don't know where it is. He said are you living in the same place I said I was. I am pretty sure the call was to my mobile number [REDACTED]. Dale did tell me on one occasion that his wife was dirty on him when she caught him playing up with another woman. I could have paid Dale all up between \$30,000 to \$40,000 over the period of time I had dealings with him but I am not exactly sure of the amount.

I had another meeting with Paul Dale in the Hillside area I rang him from one of the public telephones near picture theatres at the Water Gardens Shopping Centre in Taylors Lakes. I went there as I had received a message to contact Dale from Solicitor Nicola Gobbo. I saw Gobbo in person at the food court behind her office in William Street Melbourne. This might have been a day or two earlier. He told me to come and meet him he was working on a building site I was with me dad. We drove along Sugar Gum Drive. We turned into a left hand street off Sugar Gum Road or drive.

We seen him it was about 2 pm, he was in a little blue ute or similar. He said he had to pick up his kid from day care or kindergarten one of the two. I got out of dads car and got into the front passenger seat of his ute. He drove out of the street into Sugar Gum Road and into a vacant block we both got out of the ute and then he or I saw a guy in a Ford that I thought could have been a surveillance vehicle. We both decided to go somewhere else. We got back into Dales's Ute and he drove just around the corner to another place it was not far away at all. We went for a walk. He told me that he had to get Hodson before the committal he said he had someone on the job but it was happening too slow can I help him out. He said it had to be done before his committal, I knew why because if the evidence goes in at the committal it can still be used if the witness is dead at the trial. I said I thought Hodson was in Witness Protection he said no he was at the same house in Kew but he didn't say the address. I don't know if I asked him or he just told me the figure to do the job was \$150,000.

We didn't go much further into it. It was to ask for my help if he needed the help. Dale did not refer to them it was only to get Hodson meaning the male. I was in no doubt he wanted this person dead. He then dropped me off outside the Fire Station in Sugar Gum I tried to ring my dad but the phone was not working. I then walked along the Melton Highway and me dad picked me up. I'd only be guessing I'm pretty sure Andrew was dead at that time but it was not long after my conversation with Dale that the Hodson's were found murdered. Dale was very confident that Miechel would not turn on him about the Hodsons. As far as I know Miechel was not present at any time I handed money to Dale, I believed they were probably sharing it but I never saw Dale hand money to Miechel. I never handed any money to Miechel. I never gave them any information about criminal activity.

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