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premises. The implication here was the same as for the Northern Suburbs Soccer Club fire.

During the first Ryan operation (subsequent operation described below), contact was made on fairly regular basis with Justice Lionel Murphy. My direct recollection of these conversations is somewhat limited, but those that have been reported in the media appear accurate. I am not sure that these were reported in the press but I have a recollection of Ryan discussing the SANKE case with Murphy. Upon Murphy's request, Ryan also arranged one of Saffron's flats at Kings Cross for Murphy's occasional use.

As I recall, sometime early in 1980 there was a lull in proceedings and we were directed to disconnect. Some time later (February 1981 or thereabouts), myself, together with Sergeant Roger Kilburn and (retired) (all of the T.S.U.) went to a hotel in Blues Point Road, North Sydney where we met Detective Sergeant Peter Lamb of the Australian Federal Police. Also present was another A.F.P. officer whose name I cannot recall. Sergeant Lamb, who at the time seemed a little preoccupied with the security of the meeting, indicated to (senior N.S.W. officer present) that he had been in receipt of a substantial amount of the Ryan information that we had previously supplied to the B.C.I. He then went on to say that they (the A.F.P.) had an illegal immigrants inquiry underway and Ryan appeared to be involved. Apparently the A.F.P. were unable to organize their own telephone intercept on Ryan and Lamb actively sought our assistance. explained that because of the physical difficulties associated with the intercept, it would not be possible to make a street or vehicle installation. He went on to explain that it would be necessary to procure premises (as we had done on the prior occasion) in order to install the intercept. Further, told Lamb that due to the intercept. Further, (then) current internal finiancial and management problems within the B.C.I. we were not in a position to provide such premises. Lamb then told that this would not be a problem. Lamb indicated that the A.F.P. would provide sufficient moneys to finance the lease of suitable premises. Lamb further indicated that he could cover this arrangement by nominating a ficticious informant (presumably to his superiors) and financing the premises through
Lamb and agreed that the ficticious name would be (a tongue in cheek reference to Further, it was agreed that if the scheme was to gain B.C.I. approval and go ahead, then in any dealings involving the transfer of intelligence information to Lamb, the code name would be used.

A PAID INFORMANT in any normal sense of the phrase. Approval for the operation was forthcoming, and it proceeded as a joint B.C.I./A.F.P. operation. The A.F.P. supplied funds to maintain the observation/intercept post, and the T.S.U. (who manned it) supplied intelligence to both the B.C.I. and Lamb. This operation was code named 'RABID'. Shortly after commencement of the operation, it

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ALLEGATION NO. 11 - STATEMENT OF OFFENCE ATTEMPTING TO PERVERT THE COURSE OF JUSTICE CONTRARY TO SECTION 43 OF THE CRIMES ACT 1914 (COMMONWEALTH)

Particulars of Offence

In or about 1976, the Judge asked Abe Saffron to intercede on behalf with Danny Sankey who had brought a prosecution against the Judge and others for an alleged conspiracy contrary to Section 86 of the Crimes Act 1914. must be contended that the Judge well knew that Saffron could apply considerable pressure of an impermissible kind to Sankey with a veiw to persuading him to withdraw the prosecution. certainly appears that Saffron had no connection whatever with the matters that gave rise to the private prosecution brought by Sankey against the Judge. One would need to ask why a Justice the High Court would ask a reputed criminal to representations on his behalf to a person who had launched a private prosecution against him. It would be open to a court to conclude that this was an attempt by the Judge to place an implied threat at the head of Sankey. Such conduct might well amount to an attempt to pervert the course of justice. also amount to a conspiracy to pervert the course of justice. Wherever possible, it has been thought appropriate to charge a substantive offence rather than a conspiracy.

Witnesses to be interviewed

- 1. James McCartney Anderson
- 2. Danny Sankey
- 3. Abe Saffron
- 4. Morgan Ryan
- 5. Rofe Q.C.
- 6. Christie
- 7. McHugh (currently Justice of the Court of Appeal)
- 8. Leo S.M.
- 9. Murray Farquhar

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MINUTES OF MEETING 3. MARCH 1986

PRESENT: B ROWE, S RUSHTON and D SANKEY - SYDNEY

1. Approach to settle proceedings.

Just after the first Court of Appeal hearing (June and October 1976) Sankey received a telephone call from Mr Anderson at the Capri Restaurant at Rose Bay. Sankey was a part owner of this Restaurant. Anderson informed Sankey that he had something to discuss with him and made an appointment.

Sankey had known Anderson when he was a musician. He had met him at the Showbiz Club when he was 18 or 19 years old. The only other contact he had had with Anderson was when he acted for a person who had shot his wife. However, Anderson approached Sankey as an "old mate". At this meeting between Sankey and Anderson, Anderson said there had been a meeting at which the case had been discussed. Anderson asked Sankey what he was after. That is, what did he want. Sankey informed Anderson that all he wanted was an admission of wrong doing not necessarily an admission of guilt. Anderson told him that he would take it up with the people at the meeting. Sankey thinks that Anderson did not identify those present at the meeting but recollects that Morgan-Ryan might have been mentioned. Anderson telephoned on another two occasions and the same matter was discussed.

Shortly thereafter another person whom Sankey recognised as being Saffron telephoned and asked what it would take to settle the matter. Sankey repeated that all he wanted was an admission of wrong doing. Saffron said that if that's all then there would be no problem. Sankey believed that the legal representatives particularly Rofe and Christie had subsequently got together and drafted heads of agreement based upon the terms of settlement discussed and mutual releases for all parties.

Sankey recalls that he and <u>Saffron spoke</u> about the matter on a couple of occasions.

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2. Disqualification of Leo

Sankey advised that the disqualification of Leo took him by surprise and he was unaware until it had happened. He thought that Rofe had spoken to Farquhar in Farquhar's chambers and Farquhar said that he was very much in favour of Sankey's case. Sankey suggested that this was one reason why he did not want Farquhar sitting on the matter. Sankey referred to the second Court of Appeal decision where it had been suggested that Leo acted on the advice of an unidentified government official. He suggested that an affidavit may have been filed in those proceedings and that Huttley J had been critical of this.

Note:- I have checked the Court of Appeal case referred to and the "government official" was not identified in those proceedings.

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influence political decisions with the local label or he doesn't want New Zealanders or Maori's out there. Which he has got no dam right to have anything to do with them. But he's done it. I'll give them a little nudge along in that area. I hope in February. I'm quite sure Mr Dowd will be very interested in a Police Commissioner who is a racist. Or who is politically motivated. It all comes back down to the colonels again and to Nev's men, all his wheelers and dealers.

- A: Have you ever met Morgan Ryan?
- B: Yes.

B:

- A: Where would you have met him?
- B: The Venus Room.
- A: The Venus Room! When was this five or six years ago?
- B: It would have to be five or six years ago. Abe Saffron brought him down and wanted to sign, Abe wanted to bring in, I don't know if it was South Korean, Philippine, Asians he was bringing into the country. They had to be brought in as cooks, I didn't sign the papers because I said look my brother-in-law has got the kitchen concession and I didn't want to kick him out the door to bring in new fellows. He said oh no they needn't work here, they could come in one day a week, for the first six months. Like your could put a couple of chinese dishes on your menu and all that sort of stuff, Morgan Ryan didn't mean a great deal to me. Like he was according to Abe he was a very powerful political figure in the legal field. And that was how he described Morgan Ryan to me. And Morgan Ryan never surfaced again. Until there was a big scandal in Canberra, Whitlam, Cairns, Connors, and Lionel Murphy and a local lawyer Danny Sanky was suing and taking them to court for breaking the law for 4 billion dollars for loan money or something. I just can't recollect accurately how it came about but Abe asked me to find Danny Sanky.
- A: Did he ask you personally or over the phone?
 - No personally. One of the nights he was out. He said, you know he talks like Dracula, do you know Danny Sanky? I said yes, you who has taken Whitlam and Company to court, over a fiddle. He said yes, that's the one. He said could you talk to him. I said what do you mean could I talk to her. Him. He said are you on friendly terms with him. I said yes, Danny is a friend of mine. He said look, this is the situation some very powerful people have approached me to see if something could be done to bring this matter to a satisfactory conclusion. I can remember saying for whom. For it didn't usually work too well for the other party. I said like what do you mean? He said well I have been approached to act as an intermedior, if we can get the basically, both parties just to forget it and walk away and each side pay their own expenses and all that sort of thing . I said what happens to Danny Sanky? By this time I realised that Lionel Murphy, I'm not sure if Lionel had been made the Chief Justice or something at that time or if it was in the pipeline and I said like and he said no, no - no repercussion: no admissions, no nothing, just walk clean away and let everybody forget and forgive. I said like you're going to have to give me some indication, you know I said Danny is a smart cookie, he's a lawyer and on top of that he's a friend of mine and I'm not going to put him into your supper plate. He said oh no, I will be representing Dr Cairns, Lionel Murphy and Connors, Whitlam. I said what's my situation in this, now if I go and speak to Danny, it will probably suit him as well because it's costing him a fortune, he's got no chance of winning has he? Impossible for him to win he said. It's the Labour Government in Canberra and Neville is Labour here, he said there

is no way. I said what's Neville got to do with it? He said oh well, Morgan Ryan has got to keep Neville fully informed of developments that can be done and that can't be done. So I phoned down the as a matter of fact and he had gone for dinner, so I went down, somebody went down with me, I can't remember who. My wife went down with me a couple of times. My foster son went down a couple of times. He had a little sharp knife--and I said look Danny this is the situation, I can't tell you who asked me to come here, the person who has asked me to come here is representing Whitlam, blah, blah. I said now if you are agreeable this is what they want to happen. You just to drop everything and walk away and they do the same, each party pays their own expenses, forgive and forget. I said I can guarantee you personally because Danny at that stage was a bit concerned that something might happen to him. I said nothing is going to happen to you physically because I won't allow it. And secondly there won't be any repercussions through Murphy because Murphy was the one that worried him. Which I suppose is an intelligent set of assumptions. He said now look if that's exactly as you say it is I would be more than happy to call it off because there is no way I am going to win. And the dam thing is sending me bankrupt. There is no way that these people will believe that the Liberal didn't put me up to it. The Liberal Party didn't put him up because I know Danny well enough, because what we were discussing they had laid it on the line so that I wouldn't walk in blind but nobody gives Danny Sanky money to do their work for them. Danny was a Jew and he was just dead set against what they were trying to work as a fiddle. So anyway I said now if you are agreeable I have to get somebody on the phone , you have a talk to them and when you have finished the talk you can tell me what your feelings are on the subject.

A: Where did this first meeting take place?

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In the Caprice. So we went into the office and I phoned.

Danny had a at the Caprice then, did he?

Yes it was the night club. The next thing is I was to clear up this thing with Danny and I phoned Moses and I said now Abe I have had a talk to Danny and he is more than happy to go along with exactly what I have outlined, no more, no less. Now I said if that is a deal your people are fair dinkum there is a deal. Oh excellent Jim, would you mind talking to Danny blah, blah. That was okay.

Did Sanky know he was talking to Saffron?

Not at the time. I think they probably had an idea. I then got off the phone. I said now are you happy with that Danny? He said yes, I am happy with that. I said I won't say who was on the phone but you have probably got an idea. He said yes, it's the first time I've ever spoken to him. I said, yes it gives you the shivers doesn't it? He does actually the way he speaks. You expect to hear the door creep open. So anyway I had a cup of coffee and I left and I found the traps snucking about. The following night Abe went down the Cross and said let's go for a walk. We went down and his car was parked in the car park near the motel or something. He said now I have spoken to my people. I said now Abe be more specific. I'm the one in the middle. I said like what happens to me if this blows up? I said your name isn't anywhere in there yet. I'm the one, right, now what happens when this meeting is arranged that Danny thinks that I'm trying to position him for you and your people and he fronts up there with police or whatever and goes blah, blah, blah, then suddenly it's JA in the hot seat. No he said Neville is fully aware of everything that



is taking place and he's very happy about the whole situation. If you like to go down and see Danny again and put him on the phone to me I will tell him where the meeting is going to take place, blah blah. I thought that seemed alright. So I wondered down and told Danny what was going on and I phoned Moses and by this time Danny knew who it was and Abe told him where the meeting was taking place, I think it was Morgan Ryan's office, I could be wrong but I know that Morgan Ryan was the one that was there, I think. He was representing Cairns, I could be wrong on that. I just had the impression that Murphy was the man that Morgan Ryan was in there representing Cairns, for some reason that was the way they juggled it around. You can soon check on that anyway. And the next thing was just for my own peace of mind I went back to the Caprice a week later and I said Danny, how did it go Danny? He said mate, I got up there and there were bloody QCs and barristers trying to talk to me like I was a complete and utter idiot and wanted me to sign papers for this and that. That wasn't what we agreed on. What I said to you was it, no extras, nothing less. That was the arrangement. Each party walk away, pay their own expenses, no guilt, no repercussions or anything else. He said I told them that if there is a next meeting I will bring a barrister around to speak for me as well. Danny was a little bit sort of provokedby Morgan Ryan from what I can gather. Anyway I got a hold of Abe and I said Abe listen I mean what happened at that meeting that was organised. Oh he said, oh Danny was very unco-operative. I said what do you mean unco-operative. He agreed to me personally that the terms that I put to him which were from you which was from Murphy and Neville and all the other arseholes and accepted it. Now something happened at the meeting, I said obviously that I wasn't told about. At that sort of level Abe I expect to be told the bloody truth. If you're not game to front, I'm fronting - I don't want to get caught in the shit fighting the politicians and Canberra and everybody else, I said that's not my cup of tea. The fact that I know people and can get them to agree with you is a completely different kettle of fish. You can put me down as a broker if you like. So what's going to happen.

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He said I think everybody is just going to carry on with it. That was the reason why I got most irate when I came back from overseas and found that Benefit had said he had never heard of me, and that I hadn't made any approaches about being victimised or harrassed by Bill Allan on Neville Wran's say so. So like my General Manager tried to phone Neville Wran's office to make an appointment half a dozen times. And he has that in his diaries too.

- A: So Abe spoke to you about Sanky a couple of times?
- B: On the phone. I don't know if they physically met he is usually too shrewd for that. Like I was always the one who was usually standing in the middle.
- A: But you met Danny down at the Caprice.
- B: Oh yes. Three times.
- A: Did you ever meet him with Morgan Ryan?
- B: No. I was just concerned that they might have been using me to position Danny Sanky. That was what was at the back of my mind. Because he's not a rattle snake, he's a death adder. He doesn't warn. You just feel that you are doing the right thing and find yourself in heaps of trouble. But it will be interesting to see what happens in February. Never like to repeat it again. I would be more than happy to be called in front of the Parliament, and answer questions off any side.

AND PETER MYERS AND MR DANNY SANKEY

AT PITT STREET SYDNEY.

23 July 1986

P: Just for purposes of our discussion, what is your full name?

S: Danny Sankey.

P: What is your home address?

S:

P: Well as I have already explained we are interested in, I don't suppose I have explained actually, we are interested what occurred sometime in 1976 I believe, I know it's stretching your memory. We have spoken to Mr James McCartney Anderson. We've had access to certain material provided by the Director of Public Prosecution and part of that material includes a meeting they had with you in 1986 concerning an approach by Anderson to you in relation to sessation, if thats the word, of your prosection against Mrs Whitlam, Cairns and others which began I believe in 1976. Can you

S: I think it began in 1974 actually.

P: '74 alright. Can you outline, to the best of your recollection, what happened in relation to that approach from Mr Anderson.

S: Yes, just by way of explanation, I had known Mr Anderson many many years earlier, round about 1965 or 6 round about then, when I was studying at Law School and I was also a musician and at that time he owned a coffee shop or worked in a coffee shop up at Kings Cross, where a lot of musicians used to hang out after work and thats how I met him a few times.

S continues: Now I also at that time in '76 had a interest in a restaurant called Caprice Restaurant at Rose Bay and from time to time Anderson and his wife or both of them would come down for dinner. Although I didn't really speak to them very much when they used to come down. Now in this time in 1976, and I believe it was shortly after the Court of Appeal came down with decision. after Darcy Leo's initial decision jurisdiction and other matters, that I had a phone call from Anderson and he asked if he could meet me, he didn't say what it was about. And I said yes, and he came down either that night or shortly after, down to the Caprice and we had a meeting down He told me that he had been at a another meeting where there had been some different people and that the subject matter of my case had arisen and that somebody at that meeting had said what is Sankey after, why is he doing this, what's in it for him and so on. And Anderson had said at the meeting, oh I've known Sankey for years I'm sure I can come down and talk to him and find out what its all about. And thats why he was there talking to me.

P: Did he identify who was present at that meeting?

Look I really and honestly can't remember. I know that he S: didn't identify anybody by name but I can't recall if he said that there was some important people there or not, I mean its been a long time ago. But I have, my recollection now is that there may have been some indication that they were important people, influential people or so on because just his general attitude of trying to do a favour or something. asked me what was it all about and what did I want and so on. And I just explained to him that I thought that the actions of the Executive Council at the time, you know, weren't correct and that I just wanted to prove a point that I didn't think people get away with it and so on. He says, he asks me really what, what did I myself want out of it, and I said I didn't want anything except to have the facts aired and if there was any wrong doing then for that to be determined.

S continues: And he said something like that, is there anyway you can get you know that you can get what you want without this thing going on any further. And I said yes, very simply just some admission of wrong doing and it wouldn't have to be on a criminal level. Could even be just as a mistake that they were badly advised at the time or what ever the case was, but the action they have taken was not correct. And of course make sure there were no repercussions afterwards by malicious prosections And he said is that all you want, that suits and so on. shouldn't be too difficult to get. And I said well that's it. And he said well I'll go back and have talk with the people to see how we can go. And I said fine. That was that meeting. I can't recall at this stage whether I had another phone call with him or another meeting but I seem to recall nothing much happened for a while.

P: By a while, how much?

S: I would say at least a couple of months.

P: Right.

S: May be longer. And the next thing that I recall definitely was receiving a phone call at the Caprice. I was told by the girl that answered the phone that the person did not want to identify themselves, wouldn't identify themselves so I answered the phone. The person at the other end I recognised to be Mr Saffron.

P: How did you recognise his voice.?

S: Well, I had spoken to him. He also at time to time had been down at the Caprice with family and so on. Although I didn't really know him at all I had spoken to him, I had heard him speaking. He has got a very distinctive quiet, soothing sort of voice and, you know, speaks very well, very eloquently.

S continues: I also I suppose associated it with Mr Andersons first meeting with me and I knew that the two were then very close. And he started off with virtually the same sort of story, saying, he didn't refer to Anderson's meeting at all and just started again, more or less the same thing as Anderson said to me, and I replied more or less the same way as I replied to Anderson.

P: Did you get the impression that he was acting on his own behalf or behalf of anybody else.

S: Well, I

P: Of his own bat I mean? I mean did he say he was representing somebody?

No, he didn't say he was representing anybody and you know there was nothing that he said that told me he was ringing up at somebody's request and at the time I really didn't know and I still don't know if he was acting on somebody's request or whether or not he thought this was an opportunity for him to do a favour for someone, you know in some shape or form. obviously he himself had no interest in the case, Anderson had no interest in the case, I did draw only some connection between the fact that I knew Morgan Ryan occasionally acted Saffron. And I knew Morgan was acting for one of the defendants in the case, I can't recall which one, I just thought that might have been the connection. There was nothing that he said that told me that he was acting at anybody's request. And we just went through the same story and again he seemed to be surprised that that is all I wanted, you know that there was nothing in it personally for me and he said there should be no difficulty to coming to some arrangement that would suit everyone and put the whole case to rest. And I said fine and it was left again. There were at least one or two other calls again spaced weeks apart, which was exactly the same story again as if the first conversations had never happened and we started from scratch again and asked the same questions, gave the same answers.

P: This is Saffron is it?

S: Yeah, Saffron. And then there was some movement after quite some time in that I really don't quite recall how it happened but then legal representatives got involved and there were in fact, discussions as I understood it between legal representatives and trying to draw up appropriate terms of settlement but it never came to any fruition.

P: These discussions. Were you a party to them?

S: No, no I wasn't but I had from time to time discussions with my Counsel

P: Who was?

S: David Rofe.

P: David Rofe, yeah

And also Allan Nelson from time to time would ring me and ask for certain instructions and those sort of things. knew that these discussions were going and Ι have some recollection that at one stage some terms had even been prepared. I may be wrong its a long time.

P: Prepared by Counsel for Whitlam, Cairns and ...

S: Well prepared by somebody's legal representative. I have some recollection I think that Terry Christie was somehow involved for the other side in the discussions.

P: He was representing any of them at any stage?

S: Yes he was representing somebody down there.

- P: Right. Was any threat ever delivered to you in relation to this matter by Saffron or Anderson?
- S: Not by Saffron or Anderson. I did get one implied threat from a fellow called It's never arisen before, never really been asked but from a person who was quite close to Anderson at the time and that was a fellow by the name Tim Theeman, who one stage told me talking about that I was crazy doing this because you know contracts were so cheap or something or other. But that was as close as I got a threat from anyone.
- P: Why was Theeman speaking to you?
- S: No. I don't know, you know, it just arose at one time, I met him somewhere or other
- P: He didn't seek you out?
- S: No not that I'm aware of.
- P: So you must have been surprised at Saffron's involvement in it?
- S: I was. I was surprised at Anderson's involvement in it. Initially that was a big surprise to me because I hadn't drawn any connection or association at that stage between anybody.
- P: Yes
- S: I couldn't understand what it was all about but subsequently I drew the connection of Morgan Ryan being a common factor thats all.
- P: Right. I'll just run you through some of the things that Anderson said to us. He mentions that he first met you through Irish Wolfhounds or something so.

- S: No actually that wasn't actually the way we first met, but I was going around with a lady at the time who was grooming his two Irish Wolfhounds and I had happened to have one as well, I think that might have arisen in the conversation. Actually, just to mention it, I think he might have bought a couple of my puppies.
- P: Alright. Fair enough. The conversation as he relates it, is along the lines that I've got to have a chat to you about something and I can't tell you who the principals are. Do you recall him saying something along those lines?
- S: Could have been something along those lines.
- P: Regarding this case you've got I said I've got no axe one way or the other.
- S: He could have said that too.
- P: You are under no pressure to accept or nothing, purely I've been asked to see if your interested. You said oh look like know, this is what you said apparently, you know its driving me backrupt, I wish I'd never started it and that was the trend of the thing.
- S: Oh well that wouldn't be correct.
- P: Anderson said I'll give you my personal guarantee that nobody will lay a hand on you or your family because of etc. etc. is that ...
- S: Yeah he could have said something like that you know could have. I do recall at the time I was getting all sorts of weird phone calls and things and I was very nervous at that particular time. I may have mentioned to him something about that, he may have said something like that.

- P: Right. He mentions a phone call with Saffron at that meeting; you took him into a room out the back and he phoned Saffron or you did.
- S: I don't recall that, I don't think that happened.
- P: You think it was more separate phone call some time later to Saffron? Did you have any other subsequent conversations with Anderson?
- S: I did have some other subsequent conversations with Anderson as I recall, I don't recall, I may have had one other conversation which was specifically about this. I can't be certain about that but I may have.
- P: Can you recall
- S: I did have other conversations in relation to other common matters actually.
- P: Right.
- S: There was a client I was representing at one stage who apparently who had had some problems with Anderson I recall discussing that with him.
- P: Right. This is, again according to Anderson. He said some stage later he got curious and ran into Danny down at the Caprice and he said oh Danny everything ok and he (that's you) said make like you know and this is Danny said Morgan Ryan set this thing up for me now I went up to the meeting and I got there and the QC's and barristers and they want me to sign some sort of papers and that was never part of the proposal. I'm not doing this, signing these papers or doing that etc. Can you recall a conversation that flowed along those lines?

- S: I can't recall, I can't
- P: Did you
- S: It may be, that does jog my memory that there was some further conversation with Anderson about the fact that I wasn't satisfied with the terms.
- P: Did you go to a meeting with these QC's and barristers?
- S: Yeah I've been to many with my own but I've never been to any involving the other party's counsel.
- P: Right. Alright I think that's about it on all of that. You've got a fairly good recollection, did you record these in any note books or diaries that might assist you to refresh you memory.
- S: No I didn't, what I did do some years ago was, I was going to, I was thinking about writing something not to do with it, I wasn't going to do a non-fiction account but I was thinking of writing a fictional account very loosely based on something like this.
- P: Would have been entertaining.
- S: Yeah well I thought there were quite some interesting you know and I did do a chronology based on various events that occurred.
- P: Yes.
- S: And was able through that chronology, I may still have it as a matter of fact at home
- P: It might help us if you dig it out.

S: Yeah I think I'll be able to dig that out and that was it. After I'd finished the chronology I realised that the whole thing was so boring it wouldn't be a very good story so I didn't do it.

P: If it makes you feel any better I think everybody's writing a book about this.

S: Yeah (voices speaking over one another)

P: Did you ever hear the name of His Honour Justice Murphy mentioned in connection with the approach to you by Saffron or Sankey. Saffron or Anderson?

S: Not from Saffron or Anderson.

P: From anywhere else?

S: I did, you know, make some inquiries from other people, few that were clients of mine and I don't know how much reliance you can place on it because of the sources, you know, but they indicated to me that there was some relationship between Murphy and Saffron. Now this was a long time after the event, I was just curious to know how things were. One particular fellow told me that there was a close relationship between the two. I, you know, didn't know whether to believe it or didn't believe it, I just took it onboard and

P: Who were those people?

S: Well Mr Meisner was one of them

P: Joe Meisner.

- S: Joseph Meisner and another one was a Mr David Gandarly.
- P: Right, alright
- S: He was referred to a Ken Darly in a resent article.
- P: Alright, have you been recently contacted by Saffron or Anderson in relation to this matter?
- S: No.
- P: Or Murphy's solicitors been in touch with you?
- S: No.
- P: You don't know anything about the Gandarly article the Ken Darly matter that was referred to in the papers?
- S: No I know nothing about it to tell you the truth, I was, the woman who wrote the article spoke to me after, you know, and wanted some information. Which I wasn't willing to give any information but I really at this stage don't understand what the article was about. I don't know anything about that, I don't think at that time I acting for the Gandarly at that particular time.
- P: Right fair enough. Have you got any other questions? Alright I think we might stop it there