

Family name **PHILLIPS**  
 Given names **STEVEN JOHN**  
 Street address  
 Suburb/Town  
 Country  
 Occupation  
 Relationship to deceased **General Practitioner and long standing personal friend.**  
 Date of birth  
 Phone: Home Work Mobile  
 Email address  
 Notebook issued to  
 Notebook no.  
 Notebook pages to

Provide a brief statement of witness

By way of phone conversation.

I have known Karen Mahlo for 35 years. I am aware that there have been multiple suicide events on the part of Karen. I believe the most serious was within the last month, whereby as a result of an overdose she was admitted to the Royal Brisbane Hospital and then to a facility in New Farm, which Karen discharged herself from. Clive Fraser her psychiatrist and I have been attempting to treat her and with regards suicide it was not so much a matter of if but when, however the method of the suicide was a shock. She was highly impulsive. She had an alcohol problem. I last saw Karen clinically on Thursday the 22nd May 2008, last week and she re-stated the same issues and that, "There was nothing anyone could do". She was angry that she had been retrieved from suicide on the last occasion. She had an impulsivity and was suffering anguish. I have known her for 35 years, since medical school and was a friend. She had a force of mind, and would do it if she had a mind to do it. I believe another friend, a Dr Grant Stone who is a Paediatrician at the Mater Hospital in Brisbane had recently met and or spoken with Karen on the weekend of the 24-25th May 2008.