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AFFIDAVIT OF MR BERNARD FISHER

At GLASGOW on the EIGHTH day of FEBRUARY Two Thousand and Twelve, in the presence of LYNN FRASER Solicitor and Notary Public, COMPEARED MR BERNARD FISHER residing at [REDACTED] who being solemnly sworn depones as follows:-

1. I am the brother in law of Mrs Jean Tamburrini. My date of birth is [REDACTED] I am retired.
2. I have been the partner of Jean's sister for twenty four years and we married seven years ago. I knew Victor Tamburrini very well and I was at their wedding. He was very close to my children. We went on holidays and socialised together.
3. In 1994 or 1995, Victor came to work for me at my pool club on Howard Street, Glasgow. About a year and a half later, he became my licensee. He was employed by me until about fifteen months before he died.
4. Victor was an extremely good worker and didn't miss a day's work before he became ill with Hepatitis C. He was very reliable.
5. He worked five or six days a week depending on how busy we were. Once a month, he would have a Friday, Saturday and Sunday off.
6. His shift would be from 6.30pm and we closed at 2am. Tidying up after closing would take about half an hour. I remember that Victor mostly drove to work. On light evenings or during Christmas and New Year he would sometimes walk. The club was about ten minutes walk from his house.

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7. Nobody drank while they were working. That was the rule. During the week, we would maybe have one bottle of beer while tidying up. At weekends, we would sometimes have two or three drinks before heading home. Although we closed to customers at 2am, we were licensed till 3am and had to be closed up by that time.
8. I wouldn't say that Victor was someone who had a vast number of friends. He didn't mix with a lot of people. He had about four or five close pals. He spent a lot of time with Jean. He took my son to the football and for haircuts.
9. At Christmas and New Year the Tamburrinis would stay with us and he would be doing a lot of driving during the day. He did not have drink during the day but would have a drink in the evening.
10. I remember that he was advised to stop drinking alcohol before his first transplant, although I couldn't say how long before. As far as I know he followed this advice. He was devastated that he needed a transplant and wouldn't have done anything to jeopardise it.
11. I never knew Victor to drink spirits and I never saw him drinking anywhere near 50 to 100 units a week. I am aware of the amount of alcohol that number of units involves. I never saw him in a drunken state and I never had to help him home.
12. I would describe Victor as a social drinker. Sometimes he wouldn't drink all week. He wasn't a house drinker in my experience. I would like to emphasise that I wouldn't have made Victor my licensee if he was drinking anything like the amount that is stated in his medical records. I would not describe him as a heavy drinker. He did not drink to excess.

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