

**WITNESS STATEMENT**

Criminal Procedure Rules, r27.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5b

Statement of: ANIOL, MARCUS

Age if under 18: (if over 18 insert 'over 18')

Occupation: MANAGING DIRECTOR

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This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: MARCUS ANIOL

Date: 26/07/2017

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded ☐ (supply witness details on rear)

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This statement refers to the construction and insulation work carried out by J.S. WRIGHT and Co Ltd. In relation to Grenfell Tower, London.

I am Marcus ANIOL date of birth [REDACTED] and my position held within the company is Managing Director and shareholder of the business. I have the authority to speak on behalf of the company and to assist the police in this investigation by answering any relevant questions to work carried out by us or any subcontractors employed by the company.

The company (J.S. WRIGHT), are a mechanical, public health and Electrical building services contractor. We carry out design (when applicable), supply and installation work with the majority of our work being in the residential sector.

J.S.WRIGHT were a subcontractor to Rydon Mainenance for the mechanical and electrical installations as defined in the RYDON tender documents. We carried out work at Grenfell Tower between October 2014 and 18th July 2016. This was part of refurbishment works.

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As part of the refurbishment at Grenfell Tower, J.S. WRIGHT were responsible for the following:

- 1) The installation of a new boiler plant at basement level.
- 2) The repair and refurbishment of the existing Dry Riser.
- 3) The repair and refurbishment of the existing AOV (Automatic Opening Vent) smoke system.
- 4) The repair and refurbishment of the existing cold water storage tanks.
- 5) The supply and installation of the new cold water booster set and rising mains.
- 6) The supply and installation of the new heating rising mains.
- 7) The supply and installation of the new HIU units within the apartments (heat exchangers).
- 8) The install total of the mechanical and electrical services to the new apartments at level 3 and below.
- 9) The install total of the mechanical and electrical services to the low level gym and office.
- 10) As an instruction, the heating pipework installations from the HIU in each apartment.
- 11) The replacement of the kitchen wall fan with the newly specified fan.

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12) The electrical wiring to the new HIU and new fan from the existing wiring and re tested. We have the Certificates covering the work for that.

13) All as the ER's (Employers requirements).

The contract for the above work was given to us after we had successfully tendered for the contract. The initial order value was £1,775,646.00. There were variations to the order through the contract. This resulted in the total final accounted project value of 2,383,800,00.

The work that we (J.S. WRIGHT) carried out was checked or inspected to ensure it was of a sufficient standard. Some of these checks were carried out at various stages throughout the refurbishment and some at the end. The works were inspected by various people depending on what it was, these included the specialist subcontractors, fire officer, building control, client consultant and RYDONS as applicable. The inspectors were happy with everything we carried out and it was all certificated. The specialists we engaged to carry out inspections and checks all held the relevant qualifications to carry out the inspections requested.

With regards to the equipment or materials used during the construction and refurbishing of the Tower I can explain it in two parts. The first being that some of the sub contractors would have purchased the materials and fitted it themselves. The second way would be our company would purchase materials and a subcontractor would fit the components to the specification required.

I am in possession of a list of specialist subcontractors used by the company during the periods of work shown. This list was handed to me by Phillip Leech our chief engineer and one of the directors of the company. They carried out various roles for J.S. WRIGHT, I exhibit this list as reference MA/2.

Apart from RYDON and those named on exhibit reference MA/2, I am not aware of any other companies or contractors working in GRENFELL TOWER at the time we carried out the refurbishment. I do not know names of any other companies or contractors who worked on GRENFELL TOWER before or after we were involved in the refurbishment.

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J.S WRIGHT do not hold any lists of the occupants of flats or apartments in GRENFELL TOWER.

Occupants were asked to leave while we carried out work within individual apartments but I believe this was coordinated by RYDONS who had a liaison person who arranged access.

With regards to the heating systems we would show or have a teaching with the residents on how to use the equipment installed. I know with the HIU system which is fairly safe as it is hot water to heat exchanges, basically just water to water with no gases involved.

The smoke extractors are part of the life safety system, and users would have been shown how to use them. The extractor allows the smoke a safe passage from a particular floor in the event of a fire and gets the smoke out of that area. It's a complex system which Phil will be able to explain more, but that would be part of a package. This was subcontracted out to a company called PSB who did that as a specialist package which would have been covered by an audit which is contained in the file.

We had no contact or dealings with the lifts inside the building. We did not have any after maintenance contracts with work carried out, but we do have a responsibility through the warranty defect period. NHBC covers 2 years warranty but I'm not sure if this comes under their remit I would have to check with Phil.

I am not aware of any fire safety measures in place at GRENFELL TOWER and as far as I know we have not received any complaints regarding any fire safety measures. I believe the council own the building but I'm not sure and I don't know who is in charge of health and safety. Also I have no knowledge of any complaints from residents to our company with regards to work carried out. However we have a comprehensive file on after sales/defect department which can be accessed if required.

I am not aware of any interaction with resident groups, social media or blogs regarding our company and have no knowledge of any initiations or mentioning of legal proceeding given to residents again about this company.

I don't have any knowledge or believe our company had any dealings with the outside cladding and once again my colleague Phil would be able to clarify that point.

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Prior to making this statement I was sent a copy of proposed questions the police were going to ask a representative from our company. I used this memoire to answer the questions as best I can and furnished the above information. The aid memoire which I used for the interview I will exhibit as reference MA/1 and the sub contractors list which I provided I will exhibit as MA/2.

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