

**CORONERS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959**

*Deposition of Witness* taken on TUESDAY the 5th day of FEBRUARY 2003, at inquest touching the death of RAYCHEL FERGUSON, before me MR J L LECKEY Coroner for the District of GREATER BELFAST as follows to wit:-

*The Deposition of* MR M H ZAFAR

of SOUTH WEST CARDIO THORACIC CENTRE, DERRYFORD HOSPITAL, PLYMOUTH who being sworn upon his oath, saith

I Mr M H Zafar was employed as a Surgical SHO in Altnagelvin Hospital in June 2001. I visited Ward 6 to do a ward round on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2001. I saw Raychel Ferguson. Raychel had an appendectomy operation on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2001. On my ward round she was free of pain and apyrexial. The plan was for continuous observation.

At approximately 3.15 a.m. on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2001 I was bleeped by the Surgical JHO and asked to attend to Raychel Ferguson who had a fit. I was asked to come to see the child. I advised the JHO that I was in Casualty with another patient and would come to the Ward as soon as possible. When I arrived on the ward the child was being resuscitated.

TAKEN before me this 5th day of FEBRUARY 2003

Coroner for the District of Greater Belfast

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