I am David William Dyson of Wood Lea, Shepley, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire. HD8 8ES. A Forensic Practitioner in the field of firearms, prohibited weapons and edged weapons, until its closure in March 2009 I was registered with the Council for the Registration of Forensic Practitioners (CRFP) in the speciality of Firearms and in all three of its sub-specialities of ballistics, comparison microscopy and the classification of firearms. I am also a Bachelor of Laws, Barrister of Gray's Inn, (non-practising) and hold the degree of Master of Laws (Distinction) following study of firearms legislation in Great Britain.

I have worked in the firearms industry since 1974 with particular interest in the development and history of weapons and have been a Registered Firearms Dealer in my own right since 1985, currently registered with West Yorkshire Metropolitan Police, and also hold the authority of the Secretary of State allowing the examination of prohibited weapons. I am a liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Gunmakers, a member of the Arms and Armour Society, the British Association for Shooting and Conservation, the Ordnance Society, the Society of Expert Witnesses, the Expert Witness Institute, a professional member of the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences and am listed in the UK Register of Expert Witnesses with expertise in the field of firearms and ballistics. I have 40 years practical experience of all forms of shooting and in the use of firearms of all types and now specialise in the examination of firearms, ammunition, bladed and prohibited weapons and related items including all small arms and military ordnance, interpretation of the nature and characteristics of firearms discharge residues, (GSR) and in shooting and ballistics related incident scene reconstruction and wound analysis.