



TWOHIG v KELLEHER

(Statements from Garda File provided to John Twohig)

Statement of John Twohig

1. I am John Twohig. I am a farmer and I reside at Macroom Farm, Macroom, Co. Cork. I am providing this witness statement to An Garda Siochana arising from a collision which occurred at 11pm on 24 January 2020 when I was hit by a car driven by Robert McNamara.
2. I was walking home from the Market Bar in Macroom where I had gone for a meal with some friends. The Market Bar is approximately two miles from my house along the Cork road. I had a few drinks before dinner, some wine with dinner, a couple of drinks after dinner. I was not drunk. I was wearing navy jeans and a black coat and hat.
3. I left the Bar at approximately 10:45pm and started walking home. I walked on the left-hand footpath for half a mile until the footpath ended and then I went to cross the road so as to face oncoming traffic. There were streetlights where I crossed, and I think they were on.
4. As I crossed the road, I was hit by a car. I was thrown into the air and I landed on my side. I suffered a broken arm and cuts and scrapes to my leg and head. A passing car stopped and brought me to Macroom Hospital where I was kept overnight.
5. I cannot understand why the driver of the car did not see me. I certainly did not see the car which means that it was going much too fast.

Signed John Twohig



Statement of Robert McNamara

1. I am Robert McNamara. I am a Nurse and reside in Ballyvourney, Co. Cork. I am providing this statement in connection with the incident which occurred on 24 January 2020.
2. I am a Nurse working in the Covid Ward of Macroom Hospital. I was working at the hospital on 24 January 2020 and was driving home after my eighteen-hour shift had ended at 10:45. I drove along the main road out of town. As I was leaving the town, a man dressed in black jumped out in front of the car. It was dark but I was driving at 30km per hour and my headlights were on. I slammed on the brakes and got out of the car. He was dressed all in black and seemed okay. A passer by stopped and took him to the hospital. I continued home.
3. I have a massive bump on the front of my car which in my view, along with the incident is the fault of the man, who I now know to be John Twohig, a well-known drinker.

Signed Robert McNamara



Statement of Garda William Tyrell

1. I am a Garda based in Macroom Garda Station.
2. I was called to an incident which occurred on the Macroom to Cork Road at 11.00 on the evening of 24 January 2020. A road traffic accident had occurred and a man, John Twohig, was injured. He was brought to the hospital by a passing doctor. The streetlight were broken and the driver of the car which hit John Twohig had left the scene. An analysis of CCTV Footage showed the car belonged to Robert McNamara, Nurse of Ballyvourney, Co. Cork
3. I sent the file to the Director of Public Prosecutions who decided not to bring any further action.