

Course Title	Quality Witness Statements	Duration	One Day	CORE SKILLS
Overview	<p>You've just spoken to someone who has a very interesting story to tell, and what's better is that they're prepared to say so in court. But you need to get the information into writing. So what do you do?</p> <p>Witness statements are a key investigative duty. And so how do you make sure that a witness statement is a great witness statement?</p> <p>You'll need to know about the rules for evidence and understand what is and isn't admissible. You need to understand what makes a witness reliable or not and so when not to take a statement. You've got to be able to write effectively and in an active way to make the statement engaging. You have to know what to put into the statement to show credibility for the witness.</p>			
Prerequisites	If this course is not being taken alongside interview training, we advise that delegates attending this course should have undertaken training in interviewing prior to attending.			
<i>NB : This course forms part of a Professional qualification and includes delegate assessment during the course.</i>				
Session	Aim	Content		
Evidence	To understand the different types of evidence and the use of each	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Testimony and hearsay evidence ◆ Observational evidence ◆ R v Turnbull - Identification ◆ Exhibits and public record information 		
Statements	To consider best practice in writing statements and improve the quality and effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Correct statement layout ◆ How to write a production statement ◆ Effective statement taking 		
Statements from records	To understand what the different types of statement are and under which circumstances they should be used	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Criminal Justice Act 2003 ◆ Taking the correct statement ◆ The shape of a statement 		
Civil statements	To know when civil statements are used and the difference between civil and criminal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The evidence test ◆ Civil Depositions ◆ Statement of truth 		
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