## **SAMPLE**

## Witness Statement

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CASE NUMBER	
15-1230	

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TIME		PLACE						
9:00 PM			Maaison ana 1407n street					
THE FOLLOWING IS A TRUE AND ACCURATE STATEMENT GIVEN TO								
S. Jones								
STATEMENT BY (LAST NAME / FIRST NAME / MIDDLE NAME)								
Doe, Jane P. 4/8/98								
ADDRESS CITY		ZIP	RESIDENCE PHONE		BUSINESS PHONE			
nallville	WA	98123	123 (123) 123-4567		None			
EX	HAIR		EYES	HEIGHT		WEIGHT		
	B		B	5' 6"		130		
EMPLOYER / SCHOOL ADDRESS			CITY			ZIP		
Rydell High 4			Smallville			98123		
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## **STATEMENT**

Jane P. Doe

S. Jones

STATEMENT TAK

on 12/11/2015 at approx. 9:00 pm I was travelling eastbound on Madison Street and saw a white car swerve off the road, hitting and denting a parked red car. The driver in the white car backed her car up, parked it, got out of the car, and walked away down 140th Street. The person was a female, late 20s, in jeans and a yellow sweater, and she was short and thin. I called 911 and gave a description.

I was called back to identify the person. The person with the cops was the person that I saw.

The witness has requested anonymity, so her identifying information is exempt. RCW 42.56.240(2).

Note the date of the statement. Is the investigation still open? If yes, the entire investigation file is categorically exempt under RCW 42.56.240(1) if the case has not yet been referred to the prosecutor for a charging decision. Otherwise, the contents of each record must be considered on a case-by-case basis for whether nondisclosure of specific intelligence information is essential for effective law enforcement.

Note the witness' date of birth – she is 17 years old at the time of her statement. RCW 7.69A.030

= What to redact

- 3 Note the witness' date of birth she is 17 years old at the time of her statement. RCW 7.69A.030 may provide a basis for redacting her name and address.
- 4 The name and location of the witness' high school is probably not considered "identifying information" so should not be redacted. This may change if the information combined with other information in the record would reveal the identity of the witness.

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HIGHLIGHT KEY

= Things to note

