

Determinations – Kurt William Cochran

Kurt Cochran was unlawfully killed.

On 22 March 2017 Kurt Cochran was on a visit to London. He had been walking with his wife, Melissa, across Westminster Bridge. They had reached a point near the South Bank side when a Hyundai vehicle was driven deliberately onto the pavement where they stood. This was part of a terrorist attack. Showing no concern for himself, Kurt instinctively and courageously pushed Melissa away from the path of the vehicle and as a result was struck with full force by the vehicle. He was thrown over the parapet of the Bridge to the embankment below, falling from a height of 5.12 metres. In the fall, he suffered a serious head injury which was not survivable. Despite early medical attention from a nurse, an ambulance crew and a hospital doctor, he died at the scene.