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NEW SOUTH WALES STATE CORONER'S COURT

STATE CORONER: J ABERNETHY

TUESDAY 21 MARCH 2000

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5/98 - EVENT OF THE 1998 SYDNEY TO HOBART YACHT RACE

INQUEST INTO THE DEATHS OF JAMES MICHAEL LAWLER

MICHAEL BANNISTER

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BRUCE RAYMOND GUY

PHILLIP RAYMOND CHARLES SKEGGS

JOHN WILLIAM DEAN

GLYN RODERICK CHARLES

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Mr A Hill assisting the Coroner

Mr Stanley with Mr P Santamaria for the Bureau of
Meteorology

Mr O'Halloran for the Lawler family

Mr Morahan for R H Winning

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Mr Colefax for L Carter

Mr Harris for The Cruising Yacht Club of Australia

PART HEARD

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<RICHARD HARCOURT WINNING(10:37AM)

SWORN AND EXAMINED

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HILL: Q. Sir, would you give the Inquest your full name
please?

A. My name's Richard Harcourt Winning.

Q. And your address sir?

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A. It's 73 Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill.

Q. And your occupation?

A. I'm a company director.

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Q. And you were the owner of the vessel Winston Churchill?

A. That's correct.

Q. And that took part in the 1998 Sydney to Hobart race?

A. Yes.

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Q. I think you were also the master, or the skipper of that
vessel during that race?

A. Yes.

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Q. And were you actually the navigator and radio operator
as well?

A. No, Paul Lumtin was acting as navigator in the '98 race.

Q. But you have navigation skills?

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A. Yes, I do.

Q. When did you first buy that vessel, the Winston