

Murder: 1997

Maximum Penalty: Life (s.19A (NSW) Crimes Act)

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1.	PANTOJA (29) NSWSC Barr J 5.3.1997 NSWCCA 5.11.1998	VG	MT 13y 6m AT 4y 6m	AD	nil	assault / strangulation intent kill	Murdered wife and sexually assaulted sister-in-law - motivated by sexual passion for sister-in-law.
2.	PREVITERA (1997) 94 A Crim R 76 NSWSC Hunt CJ at CL 27.5.1997	PG	MT 20y AT 5y		long record, including bag snatch on elderly woman	strangulation	Strangled 81y female neighbour, then robbed her - motive for murder unclear.
3.	KILMORE (21) NSWSC Hidden J 18.7.1997 NSWCCA 13.8.1998	PG	MT 10y AT 4y	AD	dishonesty, drugs	stabbing intent GBH	Female stabbed male tourist after altercation in street - single stab wound through heart. Alcohol and drug problems

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4.	B FERNANDO (27) V FERNANDO (26) (1997) 95 A Crim R 533 NSWSC Abadee J 21.8.1997 [1999] NSWCCA 66	VG	Life Life	AD	lengthy lengthy	stabbing intent kill	Sexual assault and killing of nurse with machete at Walgett – victim surprised offenders as they were stealing her car – forcible abduction from safety of hospital - element of premeditation - in company - horrendous and savage injuries inflicted with extraordinary violence displaying callous indifference to human life - probably committed to prevent identification by victim Aboriginal cousins
5.	PREUSS (23) NSWSC Barr J 26.8.1997	VG	MT 7y AT 5y		attempt rob	shooting intent kill	Accidentally shot friend - fired second shot to put friend out of misery Depression and psychiatric history.
6.	VELEVSKI (29) NSWSC Dunford J 26.9.1997 [1999] NSWCCA 96 [2002] HCA 4	VG 4 x Murder	MT 19y AT 6y	Conviction AD HCA AD	nil relevant	cut throat intent to kill	Cut throat of wife, 6y daughter and 3m twins - left them in bedroom - deliberate killings involving considerable degree of planning.
7.	LEES (22) NSWSC B-Parker J 30.9.1997 [1999] NSWCCA 301	VG	MT 13y 6m AT 4y 6m	AD	minor	assault intent GBH	Bashed flatmate to death during fight about rent Offer to plead to manslaughter taken into account as evidence of remorse - drug/ alcohol background.
8.	ARTHURELL (51) NSWSC Hunt CJ at CL 3.10.1997	VG Murder	24y NPP 18y 6m		Record includes two manslaughter offences – on parole for manslaughter	Assault Intent to kill	Struck ex-fiancé to head with piece of wood at least twice in order to take her car – on the run for six months – senseless and wanton killing Record includes stabbing of step father in 1974 and stabbing of young male during a robbery in 1981

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9.	LITTLE (30) NSWSC Hidden J 17.10.1997	PG Murder	MT 11y AT 5y		minor	stabbing intent kill	Broke into home of friend's neighbour and stabbed male occupant - no reason for violent outburst – returned some time later to set fire to flat with body inside. Aboriginal offender. Alcohol.
10.	LEONARD (24) NSWSC B-Parker J 10.11.1997 NSWCCA 7.12.1998	VG Murder PG Murder	Life	AD		bow and arrow stabbing intent kill	Shot first victim with bow and arrow after alleged homosexual advance - cut up body and threw in river – callous disposal of body showing utter contempt - three months later stabbed taxi driver - savagery of attack on second victim Untreatable psychopathic personality disorder
11.	GLASBY (20) NSWSC Sully J 11.11.1997	PG	MT 9y AT 3y		minor	shooting intent kill	Female - lured victim away on pretence of sex – victim shot by dominating husband to fulfil contract killing
12.	WELSH (22) NSWSC Hidden J 14.11.1997 [1999] NSWCCA 386	VG	MT 12y AT 6y	AD		assault intent kill	Bashed and kicked 53y man asleep / intoxicated on front lawn of his own home. Aboriginal offender - alcohol/ drug background
13.	JB (15y 11m) Hunt CJ at CL 20.11.1997 RJH (17y 10m) Hunt CJ at CL 25.11.1997 [1999] NSWCCA 93	PG PG	MT 11y AT 5y (20% assistance) MT 12y AT 6y	AD AD	appalling, including violence bad record, including violence	assault felony murder	Cousins robbed commuter walking home from train station - struck head with rock. H less culpable.

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14.	SPEDDING (20) NSWCCA 11.12.1997	VG Murder 2 x conceal dead body	MT 11y AT 4y	AD		shooting	Group of four travelling / living together - during argument shot victim - buried body in the bush.
15.	TOO NSWCCA 17.12.1997	VG	MT 13y 6m AT 4y 6m	Conviction AD		stabbing	Stabbed victim during argument at party

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