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Making allegations of corrupt conduct public Is it in the public interest?

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Your submission

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Open, transparent and accountable government

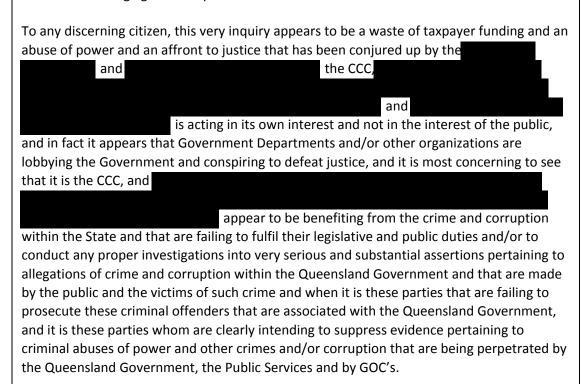
Open, Transparent and Accountable Government

Any proposed amendments to the Crime and Corruption Act 2001 or the Crime and Corruption Amendment Act 2016 or for that matter any of the following legislative instruments;

- Criminal Code Act 1899
- •Justices Act 1886
- Police Service Administration Act 1990
- Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000
- •Criminal Organisation Act 2009
- Summary Offences Act 2005
- •Regulatory Offences Act 1985
- •Telecommunications Interception Act 2009 (Qld)
- Criminal Proceeds Confiscation Act 2002
- Public Interest Disclosure Act 2010
- •Right to Information Act 2009
- •Evidence Act 1977

or any other legislation that I may have failed to list above and that would seek to silence victims of crime, whistleblowers, informants, witnesses or in general the public in any way whatsoever from being able to publicly disclose information pertaining to allegations of crime and/or corrupt conduct within the Queensland Parliament, the Public Services or any other subsidiary agencies, organisations or corporations thereunder and that would seek to prevent the public from making public disclosures to the media or through other social media platforms and relating to any information pertaining to any crime and corruption that is being perpetrated against the general public or the public interest and by the Queensland Parliament and/or the State of Queensland and the Government in any of its official capacities or by any of its representatives, officers, employees or otherwise by the State in any capacity whatsoever or that may otherwise seek to suppress evidence pertaining to the State commissioning and/or otherwise committing crimes against the public or conducting its functions in a corrupted manner or whereby the State is engaged in maladministration practices or misconduct of any nature and in any capacity whatsoever, as all matters of the State are matters of public interest and especially when it comes to matters of administration, justice, and in particular crime and corruption and any attempt to silence victims, whistleblowers, informants, witnesses, the public or the media would be an attack on the public's civil liberties and an affront to justice and a blatant attack upon our freedom of speech and would ultimately make an absolute mockery of the Queensland

Government's mantra purporting to the intention to create or otherwise the existence of an open, transparent and accountable Government, which is certainly not the case when the CCC is in fact allowing internal investigations to be conducted by GOC's and Public Services, whereby they are permitted to investigate themselves for the crimes that they are in fact committing against the public.



I am of the view that any changes to the current and existing laws would defeat Justice and effectively allow the Queensland Government the opportunity to silence the public opinion and the dissent and disgust at the criminality of this State Parliament, the Government and Opposition of the day and the associated corporate interests and Departments thereof, and it would allow the State the ability to effectively gag the victims of the crimes that have been committed by appendages of the State Governments apparatuses and an opportunity to supress matters entirely and/or to suppress evidence and the facts pertaining to State sanctioned or commissioned crime and corruption and would in effect serve to defeat Justice by preventing the prosecution of the criminal offenders and by effectively aiding and abetting the criminal offenders within the Queensland Parliament/Government and its associated corporate interests and appendages of the State.

It concerns me that these amendments would not only suppress matters relating to crimes that are being committed by organisations associated with the State Government, and/or individuals and/or otherwise as the case may be at the time, but what is even more concerning is the fact that it may also be used to prevent both minor and major matters from being made public and from being publicised in the public interest.

This act would in effect suppress all manner of crimes, abuses of power, gross negligence and matters of misconduct and maladministration throughout the Queensland Government and/or any of its associated corporate identities, but surely this cannot be permitted, without it being an abuse of power in and of itself and an overreach by the parties that are involved and/or otherwise associated with pushing for such Draconian changes to the laws of Queensland and that are aiming to suppress evidence and public dissent and it must be asked, how many times are these particular Departments of the Queensland Government going to conduct inquiries into the very same issues that have been dealt with on a multitude of occasions and effectively waste taxpayers money in order to foster their own agenda's and in an attempt to push for these Draconian changes to the law in order to suppress evidence of crimes that are actually being committed and covered up by the Queensland Government, Government Departments, GOC's and Public Officials.

These proposed legislative amendments that are intended to fundamentally alter the current and existing laws of Queensland and that would effectively attempt to undermine the public's Constitutional rights, would ultimately allow GOC's like the QPS, WorkCover Queensland and the former Regulatory Authority for the Workers' Compensation Scheme Q-Comp, (of which has been wound-up and is now incorporated into the Department for "Workplace Health and Safety, Electrical Safety Office, Workers Compensation Regulator's ") to act outside the law and with absolute impunity and without any public scrutiny or supervision whatsoever, and as they have in the past as a result of the gross negligence and/or wilful blindness of the CMC and these changes would in effect act as a get out of jail free card for the criminal offenders within the Queensland Government and the Public Services and those within GOC's.

The effects of any such amendments would then be further exacerbated by a combination of factors, firstly being that GOC's are able to conduct investigations into their own crime and corruption, which is a privilege that all criminals would love to have granted upon them, I am sure that they would all find themselves to be innocent if they were forwarded such an opportunity, as have on a multitude of occasions and this combined with the apparent corruption and/or gross or criminal negligence of the previously named CMC, of which interestingly and conveniently has also been wound-up and renamed or reconstituted as the CCC, in what would appear to be a corporate decision that was made in order to avoid civil and criminal liability and possibly in order to destroy evidence, or at least that is how it appears to the general public and victims of State sanctioned crime and corruption.

To this point, it would appear that the State Governments purpose for winding-up and renaming the CMC would more likely than not be related to the CMC's gross negligence in its performance of its functions and duties and in providing the services that it is expected to provide to the public and to its culpability in relation to aiding and abetting criminal offenders and for its role in preventing the prosecution of criminal offenders and in relation to its absolute contempt for the public interest, the judiciary, the administration of justice, natural justice and in fact the entire justice system.

As it stands, it appears that the separation of powers has been wholly defeated by the corruption within the State and Federal Parliaments, of which obviously has the ability to write, amend and pass legislation as it sees fit whilst also maintaining an overarching control over the entire justice system, therefore allowing the two major parties that control our Parliaments' to effectively undermine the entire justice system by granting themselves and their corporate interests immunity from prosecution and the unconscionable and unbridled ability to investigate themselves for crimes that they have committed against the public.

It is unjust and subverts and effectively perverts the course of justice and entirely undermines the public's trust in the Government and entirely defeats any expectation that the Government is acting in a honest and just manner, as they are at all times acting under an actual conflict of interest and intentionally suppressing matters pertaining to crimes that are committed by the State and it appears that they are doing this in the interest of avoiding liability and therefore defeating Justice and the very notion of an open, transparent and accountable Government, and to members of the public it appears that they are doing this for purely financial benefits and in order to avoid criminal and civil liability and they are doing this by unlawful means and by perverting the course of justice and whilst they are doing this, they are more than happy to wilfully prosecute innocent members of the public on false and malicious charges for financial gain, whilst allowing criminal acts to be perpetrated against the public with impunity by Public Services and State-owned and operated organisations, Agencies, Public Authorities and GOC's.

Freedom of speech

Freedom of Speech and Public Interest

I believe that it is extremely important to note and acknowledge the fact that the Fitzgerald Inquiry may have never come about if it were not for the very act that CCC, QPS and the Queensland Government intend to or are conspiring to outlaw and the Fitzgerald Inquiry was in fact instituted as a direct result of "making allegations of corrupt conduct public" and as a result of public disclosure to the media in relation to crimes and corruption within the Queensland Police Force and other elements of the Queensland Government at that time, and therefore I say that it is absolutely imperative that the public's right to make allegations of corrupt conduct public must at all times be preserved and maintained in order to protect the public and to maintain and insure integrity within the Queensland Government and/or any other governmental structures, be that Agencies, Departments or GOC's or otherwise as the case may be.

As a member of the general public, I feel that it is my duty to speak up in circumstances such as this and when the Queensland Government and its associated agents, departments and/or GOC's are attempting to abuse their positions of privilege, authority and power over the public and especially when organisations like the CCC, are effectively lobbying the Queensland Government in order to manipulate and distort the current and existing laws of the State of Queensland through the abuse of the

Governments legislative powers and authority and with a view or intention to suppress evidence of crimes that are being committed against the public by the Queensland Government.

All Australians hold the view that all matters pertaining to the governance of Australia and the administration of resources and the management of State affairs are matters of public interest and especially when it comes to matters of law, and the administration of justice and most importantly the protection of the public and their rights from a corrupted and tyrannous Government regime, and regardless of whether that tyranny is being instituted at a State and Territory level or from within our Federal Parliament.

It is our duty as members of the public to ensure that our State, Territory and Federal Parliaments' and all appendages of Government and our Public Services are held to account and in particular when it comes to GOC's and we must ensure that they are acting in accordance with public expectations and in the interest of the public, as opposed to their corporate or governmental interests and we are all responsible for ensuring that all Government Departments and/or any other State resources are being properly managed, we are also responsible for ensuring that any of the Governments corporate interests are properly regulated and held to account and that they are conducting themselves in an honest and just manner at all times and that is because they are an extension of the Government and at all times the conduct of Government is a matter of Public Interest and especially when it comes to matters relating to State sanctioned crime and corruption and the administration of justice and particularly when it comes to the suppression of evidence pertaining to crimes committed by the Queensland Government and an attack upon our constitutional right to freedom of speech and freedom of the media.

In fact the importance of protecting the publics' interest and our freedom of speech becomes even more prominent and relative when it comes to matters of the States resources and the administration of justice and most certainly when it comes to the State Government conspiring to suppress our freedom of speech and attempting to impose criminal sanctions on the release of public information relating to crimes and/or corruption and matters associated with maladministration and misconduct, and especially when the State Government is running a monopoly on the justice system and when access to actual Legal Aid or assistance of any kind is simply denied to the victims of State commissioned crime and corruption and it has become painfully apparent and clear that the public are in fact being intentionally denied legal assistance by the Queensland Government,

This wilful deprivation of legal assistance to the public, of which is conveniently not provided for by the Queensland Government, is a direct and intended result of legislative provisions, public and/or corporate policy decisions and decisions relating to funding allocations or provisions that are provided to Legal Aid and other legal services by the Queensland Government, but the truth is that there is no provisions provided to the public when it comes to crimes that are being committed by the Queensland Government, or by corporate or Regulatory Authorities like

, or for when the Queensland Police Service has committed crimes against the public, dependent upon the charges that have been levelled against the individual.

It is these manipulations of the Public Services and the justice system that has ensured that the public are deprived of having any legitimate access to legal assistance and services, of which effectively deprives the public of what should be considered to be a civil and/or social right and especially when the perpetrator of the crimes is the Queensland Government.

It appears that this is achieved through public or corporate policy decisions, whereby Legal Aid staff are simply instructed to inform the public that they do not have funding to assist them in relation to matters relating to crimes that are being committed by the Queensland Government or to be more specific, when your complaints relate to Public Services GOC's or a Regulatory Authority like WorkCover Queensland, Q-Comp, and this is not an isolated incident or circumstance, the same occurs when an individual has had crimes committed against them by members of the QPS, in which case the individual will be deprived of legal assistance based on policy decisions that are designed and intended to restrict access to legal services on the basis of the charges that have been levelled against the individual and therefore the individual is out rightly denied legal assistance regardless of the facts pertaining to the matter or the evidence available and regardless of whether you are innocent or guilty and/or whether the individual is in fact the victim of crimes that have been committed by the QPS and regardless of whether you have been seriously injured and/or maimed in the attack that took place and regardless of whether the QPS have criminally falsified and manufactured a malicious prosecution against an innocent member of the public, when that person is entirely innocent and has done absolutely no wrong at all, and that is clearly innocent of the false and malicious accusations and charges that have been created and intentionally falsified and fabricated by the QPS in order to generate revenue and this certainly doesn't occur by accident and in fact I would say that it is a matter of design from the top down and is therefore intentional, as it is not a mistake to lie or to conspire and to collaborate to falsify and manufacture witness statements or evidence in order to prosecute an innocent man.

Further to this the denial of legal assistance also appears to be by design, and I say this because of the fact that the legislative provisions and the public and corporate policies and the thresholds for acceptance or refusal for Legal Aid assistance have all been designed and implemented by the Queensland Government and if Legal Aid and/or other Public or Legal Services are underfunded and are therefore unable to provide services to the public, that would be an absolute tragedy, but that is not the case, the underfunding appears to be specifically targeted at denying the public legal assistance when it comes to matters involving criminal conduct and/or crimes being perpetrated against the public by the Queensland Government.

Evidently, if Legal Aid or other public services are underfunded or under resourced, it is because they have been underfunded and under resourced by decisions that have been made by the Queensland Government and the most disturbing part about this fact is that if they are so underfunded and under resourced that they are actually unable to provide their services to the public, the public are effectively being deprived of any legal assistance or representation at all when it comes to any matters pertaining to crimes that are being committed by the Queensland Government and that is an absolutely disgraceful set of circumstances that will ultimately result in gross miscarriages of justice and is an abuse of

power or the dominant position in and of itself.

But what is most disgusting and repulsive is the fact that legal assistance is provided to actual criminals and individuals that have intentionally gone out of their way to commit crimes against the public, such as crimes like robbery, murder or rape and yet innocent victims of crimes that are being committed by the Queensland Government are provided with absolutely no legal assistance or any protections at all from the Queensland Government or in any way whatsoever, this is an absolute disgrace and in my view an abuse of power in its own right.

It is interesting to point out the fact that members of the public are unable to get any proper assistance or advice from any Government Departments' once they have had crimes committed against them by the Queensland Government, they will suddenly find that they are isolated and simply disregarded and this does not occur as a result of underfunding or anything like that, it is by design and occurs as a result of the Queensland Government intentionally formulating legislative and policy decisions that effectively deny services under certain circumstances or in relation to specific services and particularly in relation to matters concerning crimes committed by the Queensland Government or other associated corporations or Departments thereof and the individual that made the complaint is treated as if they are the root cause of the problem and are simply disregarded and denied any assistance in the hope that they'll eventually give up and go away.

As a result of the above-mentioned breakdown in Government Public Services and the justice system and the lack of provisions for legal services provided to the public and particularly those that have had crimes committed against them by GOC's and the Public Services of the Queensland Government, the public are left entirely helpless and vulnerable against these crimes, corruption and abuses of power that are taking place and as such, it is absolutely vital that the public's right to "make allegations of corrupt conduct public" must be preserved and maintained at all times, as the Government is most certainly not acting in the interest of the public.

Reputation of alleged subject officers

Reputation of Alleged Subject Officers

It is quite concerning to consider the fact that the CCC is once again holding a Commission of Inquiry or a Public Inquiry into this very same matter, that being this question relating to "making allegations of corrupt conduct public. Is it in the public interest? "When they have clearly been paid to consider such matters on a multitude of occasions and yet they still continue to conspire with the criminal offenders within the Queensland Government in an attempt to silence the victims of state commission crimes and corruption and to prevent exposure to the broader community in relation to the crimes that are being committed against innocent members of the public.

It appears that the main concern in this inquiry does not relate to the "public interest" at all

and in fact it is focused on suppressing evidence and silencing dissent and disgust of the public in relation to the corrupted conduct of the Queensland Government, , the CCC,

Further to this, the inquiry appears to be mostly concerned with the reputation and good name of the alleged offenders or the "subject officers" and it appears that the inquiry is certainly not concerned about the public interest, the victims of State commission crimes or such matters as the administration of justice or even the level of crime and corruption within the Queensland Government

I note that the example provided for in the information that has been provided by the CCC and that addresses the issues associated with this inquiry and that appears to be of concern by the CCC, all relates to false and/or frivolous accusations or allegations that have been made by "Public officials" and it is public officials that have released information and that have made the allegations of corruption conduct public and the documentation revolved around the release and public disclosure of information by these Public Officials in order to gain a political advantage over their political opponents, and as such, I would say that this is exactly why this information should be made public and remain public at all times, and that is because of the fact that it is "Public Officials" that are abusing their positions of authority and are making false and/or frivolous accusations and allegations against their political opponents and that are referring these false and/or frivolous allegations to the CCC in order to gain a political advantage, of which may amount to a crime in and of itself.

The first thing to note here is the fact that it is in fact "Public Officials", members of the Parliament and parties associated to political parties that are associated with "Government", "Opposition" and/or candidates that have nominated themselves or have been nominated by political parties to act as representatives for the public or as the case may be for their political parties and associates, and that it is not the public that is making false or frivolous allegations against public officials and abusing the justice system by making false and/or frivolous accusations or allegations to the CCC.

Secondly, I note that it is these very same "public officials" and/or in any other case public servants and the State Government that are set to benefit from any such amendments to the current and existing laws' and not the victims of State commission crimes or the public and it is certainly not in the public's interest to implement such Draconian laws that are designed and intended to suppress evidence pertaining to crime and corruption and to defeat Justice.

In relation to false and/or frivolous accusations or allegations being made to either the CCC or otherwise to the QPS, there is laws in place to deal with such matters and that can effectively deal with the prosecution of individuals that have made false, frivolous and/or malicious allegations against another individual in relation to matters of maladministration, misconduct or otherwise in relation to crime and corruption and accordingly these individuals should be prosecuted under these current and existing laws if they have in fact made false, frivolous and/or malicious allegations against an individual in order to gain a political advantage over their opponent or rival or otherwise as the case may be.

Finally on this matter and the reputation of the alleged offender or the "subject officer", I make the point that there is currently laws and avenues that exist in order to remedy any defamation that may have occurred as a result of "allegations of corrupt conduct" being made public and there are provisions that have been put in place by the Crime and Corruption Act 2001 and that provide certain protections in relation to the publication of information by the CCC and other parties and particular material in relation to investigations, this has been referenced to in the "Review of the Crime and Misconduct Act and Related Matters" of which was tabled in the Queensland Parliament on the 18/4/2013, although it refers to the Western Australian legislation and not the Queensland legislation in the report, see below.

Publication of allegations and findings

"The CCC is prohibited from publishing or reporting a finding or opinion that a person has committed, is committing or is about to commit a criminal or disciplinary offence. It is also an offence, other than in specified circumstances, for a person to disclose information provided to the CCC, or for an officer of the CCC to disclose information acquired by reason of the pe1fonnance of that officer's functions. One of the exceptions is that a CCC officer may disclose such information where the CCC has certified that such disclosure is in the public interest. A CCC officer is also permitted to disclose the fact that an allegation has been received or initiated by the CCC, including the details of an allegation."

"The CCC Act further provides that publication that an allegation has been made about a person to the CCC, either by a complainant, by a person who has relied upon information derived from a complainant, or by a person who has no reliable source of knowledge, carries with it an inference that there were reasonable grounds for making the complaint. The inclusion of this provision was recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Legislation in order to attach to the publication the negative imputation that the person had grounds for making the allegation so that, if the person did not in fact have such grounds, then the statement could form the basis of an action in defamation . The intention was that this would serve to ensure that persons publishing any such information would do so in a prudent and considered manner ."

Further to this and in relation to the reputation of an individual that may be the subject of an investigation in which allegations of corrupt conduct have been made public and in relation to the reputation and the defamation of the individual, I am of the view that the reputation of the individual cannot be harmed if they are in fact innocent and they cannot be discredited or otherwise defamed if the individual is innocent and able to prove their innocence and therefore to have the allegations dealt with and discharged of, and in fact, I am of the view that it would be an absolute credit to the character and fortitude of the individual if they were able to clear their name and have the allegations discredited and discharged of and doing so would most certainly not defame the individual or otherwise destroy the individuals reputation in any way whatsoever, and if they are able to have the allegations discharged and/or disproved, they would have then therefore been exonerated and the individual and their reputation would have been restored as they would have been absolved of any wrongdoing and whether the allegations were false, frivolous or whether they were vexatious or malicious in nature is a matter for the CCC or the QPS and would only then act to discredit the individual that made the allegations and not the accused.

Ultimately if the individual that has had the allegations made against them is in fact innocent and the justice system works as it should and performs its duty to the public to the fullest extent, then the individual will ultimately be vindicated and be able to hold their head up high after having been tested at trial or otherwise as the case may be and having come out the other side with their pride and reputation intact.

But in relation to making it a criminal offence to "make allegations of corrupt conduct public" there certainly is no foreseeable benefit to any member of the public or for the victims and their families and in fact any manipulations of the law in order to stifle public dissent and to suppress evidence pertaining to crimes and corruption within the Queensland Parliament, the Public services and/or in relation to any GOC's would as I stated above, be an abuse of power that is aimed at defeating Justice and preventing the general public from having any ability to bring matters of maladministration, corruption and crimes against the public to the light of day and any such changes would effectively gag the victims, the public and the media in order to prevent them from exposing such matters of crime, corruption and maladministration within the Queensland Government.

Fair trial

Fair Trial

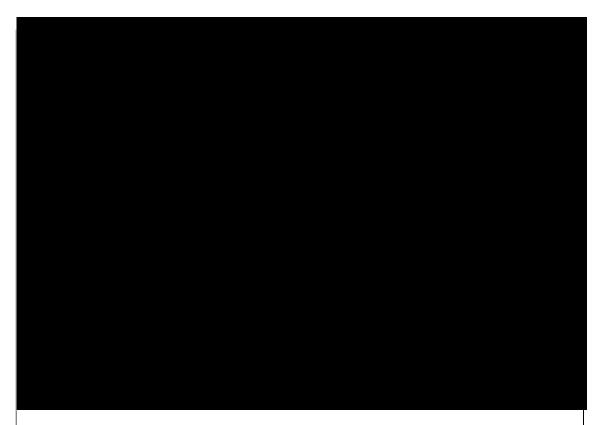
In relation to a fair trial, I don't personally see how this is much of an issue at all and in relation to matters that are being heard before a court of law, there are provisions that have been put in place in order to deal with such issues and the courts are more than capable of dealing with such matters and they have demonstrated that fact in previous cases were media had publicised cases and material pertaining to the subject matter of the trial and individuals involved, as was the case in the Darren Hinch and the Jayant Patel matters and at the end of the day justice was seen to have been done and the law was ultimately upheld at the end of the day.

Whilst the media may be seen to interfere in proceedings before a court of law and create apprehensible bias within jurors, they are an absolute necessity in relation to protecting the public and in relation to exposing matters of the Government and that relate to maladministration, misconduct, crimes and corruption within the Queensland Government and its Public Services and within GOC's and they serve to inform and to protect the public and most importantly the victims of State commission crime and corruption in the public and the victims rely heavily on the exposure in order to spark public interest and outrage at what is and/or has taken place and in order to have their allegations properly investigated by the responsible parties within the Queensland Government, who seem to shirk their responsibilities until the matters are brought to the light of day by the media and that is a failure on the part of organisations like the CCC and the QPS and is a reflection of their failings and not representative of issues relating to media exposure and such exposure would possibly not be required by the public if these parties were conducting themselves in a manner that is becoming of the justice system and were in fact acting in the interest of the public, as opposed to acting in the interest of the Queensland Government by trying to avoid liability and by protecting the criminal offenders within their own ranks.

Effectiveness of the CCC

Effectiveness of the CCC To me, this section appears to be a bit of a joke really, and especially in light of the experiences that I have had in relation to dealing with the CMC and the CCC, the word "effectiveness" is a bit of a misnomer, maybe the title should say the "ineffectualness of the CCC" (sarcasm intended). The effectiveness of the CCC, does not seem to be affected by publications of the crimes that are being committed by the Queensland Government in any way whatsoever, what is affected by the publications of "allegations of corrupt conduct", is the credibility of organisations within the Queensland Government , the CCC and it is the integrity of these organisations that is brought into question and it is their failings that are brought to the attention of the public and/or the gross miscarriages of justice that take place under their control and inhouse investigations and it is in fact their own conduct that brings them into disrepute and not the publication of their failings or the publication of the fact that they have aided and abetted criminals offenders and prevented the prosecution of the offenders and that these organisations have conspired to conceal serious criminal offences and crimes that are being committed against innocent members of the public. But what is even more alarming and quite disturbing really, is the fact that it would appear that the CCC, and other Governmental Departments and parties associated with the Party and the Party are instrumental in pushing for and lobbying the Queensland Parliament in order to institute these Draconian amendments to Australian and Queensland law and they are conspiring to do this in order to protect their own interests, as opposed to acting in the interest of the public, and are in fact attempting to stifle the processes of Justice by suppressing information by way of legislative amendments. This conduct is not dissimilar to what has taken place in Queensland in relation to traffic have conspired and lobbied the offences, whereby the Government in order to impose Draconian like traffic laws that have been designed not in the interest of the public or safety, but in the interest of the and in order to raise revenue out of a tax that is being imposed upon the general public and that is enforced by way of extortion under the threat of continual prosecution and under no uncertain terms, you will be prosecuted if you do not yield and pay the extortionate amount of money that is being demanded of you and if you do not comply they will strip you of your right to earn a living by stripping you of your driver's license through the State Penalties and Enforcement Registry (SPER) and by threatening you with even more exorbitant fines and further prosecution if you do not comply to their threats and demands, it is under no uncertain terms an act of state sanctioned extortion and in truth,

As mentioned above, I have on two separate occasions been forced to make official complaints to the CMC and the CCC respectively and on both of these occasions the parties and/or corporations that have committed the crimes have been forwarded the privilege of being able to investigate themselves for the crimes that they have in fact committed against the public, despite this being an obvious and serious conflict of interest and an affront to Justice, and of which ultimately poses the question of "Quis custodiet ipsos custodes. In both of these circumstances have been able to investigate themselves, and after seeing the inaction and/or intentional suppression of such criminal activity by the Queensland Government and , I reiterate the importance of the public's right to freedom of speech and the freedom of the media and for the rights of the public to have access to information pertaining to the public interest.



It is clear that any amendments to the current and existing laws are aimed at imposing criminal charges upon individual members of the public that are ultimately forced to release or otherwise publicise information that pertains to crimes and/or criminal acts and omissions perpetrated by the State and its various Departments and other associated bodies and/or otherwise to supress any allegations of corruption or maladministration by the Queensland Government, and would therefore be and affront to justice and an abuse of in and of itself and any such action would in effect dismantle an entirely defeat Justice and the expectation of the public to have an open, transparent and accountable Government and would simply act in such a way as to stifle the public's freedom of speech and ability to redress the Government in relation to maladministration, corruption and crimes against the public and therefore prevent the exposure of such maladministration, corruption and crimes and therefore effectively defeating Justice and betraying the trust of the public.

It is bewildering to contemplate the fact that the State Government and its Departments and other associated corporate bodies thereof are attempting to suppress evidence in order to defeat Justice and prevent the prosecution of criminal offenders within the Queensland Government and the Public Services and as a matter of fact, any changes to the law would act to suppress evidence from becoming public knowledge and would bring the Queensland Government and the Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC) into disrepute and/or into question for conspiring to suppress such information and especially when the information is clearly a matter of public interest and further to this it demonstrates that the Queensland Government are acting in a very Orwellian manner.

Further to this and in light of the above mentioned facts and other matters considered, I am of the view that it is absolutely essential for the public to be able to disclose information pertaining to maladministration and/or crime and corruption that is being perpetrated by

the Queensland Government and/or by any other Public Services' or Regulatory Authorities' and/or any other Departments of the Queensland Government and/or any other corporate interests associated with the Queensland Government, and I say this not only because of the fact that these crimes are being committed by public servants, but also because of the apparent failures of the Government owned and operated organisations' that are responsible for the administration of justice and for the protection of the public from any such crime, corruption and maladministration.

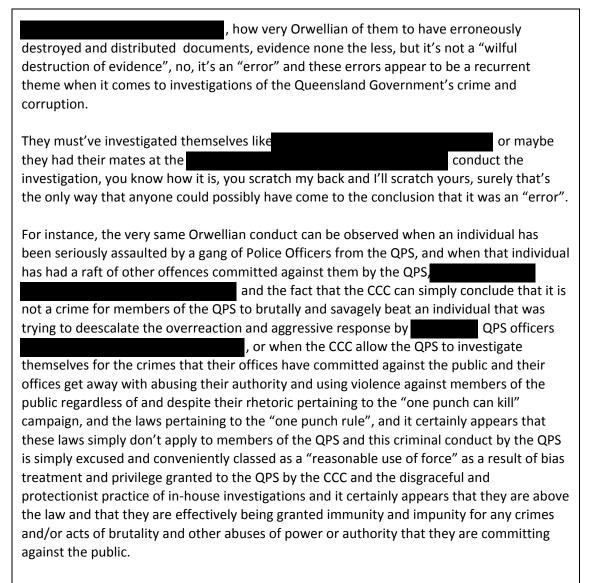
With that said, I say that any changes to the current and existing laws would be a blatant and offensive attack upon the constitutional rights of the public and would effectively suppress, undermine and ultimately defeat our civil right to freedom of speech and the freedom of the press and would act to silence the victims of State sanctioned crimes and/or crimes that have been committed by certain elements within the Queensland Government and the Department of Justice and Attorney General or otherwise as the case may be and as such, they should not be considered in any way whatsoever and I would remind the Government that you are implemented in order to act in the interest of the public and for the peace and good governance of the state and not in your own corporate interests.

In relation to the circumstances that I have mentioned above and particularly in relation to the crimes and corruption within the Workers' Compensation Scheme and the Queensland Police Service, and after seeing the intentional suppression of such criminal activity by the Queensland Government and their associated Public Services and GOC's, like the crime watchdog, the CMC and the CCC respectively, I reiterate the importance of the public's right to freedom of speech and the importance of the media's right to publicly disclose matters pertaining to allegations of corruption within the Queensland Government or any Departments thereof or in relation to any Public Services and GOC's and for the rights of the public to have access to information through the Right of Information Act 2009 and the Information Privacy Act 2009 and as long as organisations like the CMC and/or the CCC are allowing the very organisations that have committed the crimes against the public the privilege of being entitled to investigate themselves in relation to the crimes that they have in fact committed, and when they are in effect covering up such crime and corruption by failing to conduct any proper investigation at all and by effectively aiding and abetting and/or preventing the prosecution of the criminal offenders and by concealing such serious criminal offences and until there is a fundamental shift in this protectionist conduct and attitude the right for the public to publicly disclose "allegations of corrupt conduct" is absolutely essential and in most cases the only possible recourse for the multitudes of victims that are being intentionally harmed and even maimed by these organisations and by the crime and/or corruption associated within the Queensland Government.

Finally the public have every right to disclose information that is in the public interest and as long as the information is factual and is not false, frivolous, vexatious or malicious in nature there is absolutely no reason why they cannot publish such information and if by publishing such information they have in some way defamed any person, then that person has every right to seek legal remedy and in relation to both civil and criminal prosecution if they are harmed in such a way.

Other

Making allegations of corrupt conduct public is a matter of Public Interest As a member of the public and a victim of crimes that have been committed by elements of the Queensland Government and knowing of the contempt shown towards the general public and the gross failings and/or gross negligence displayed by the Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC) and the Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC), whom have on two separate occasions and in relation to two separate and distinct matters pertaining to crimes that were committed by the , and on both of these occasions the CMC and the CCC have failed to conduct any honest, fair or proper investigation or assessment into my very legitimate assertions, and in fact on both occasions they have intentionally shirked their responsibilities' and duties' that are owed to the public, and they achieved this by failing to conduct any investigation at all, and in fact they have simply handed over the investigations the very organisations that have in fact committed the crimes and in doing so they have effectively granted these organisations that clearly have a vested interest in the outcome of the investigations the unbridled privilege of being able to investigate themselves for the crimes that they are maliciously and intentionally committing against the general public for financial gain and in doing so they have effectively defeated justice and stifled the processes of natural justice and/or procedural fairness and by doing so they have potentially exposed themselves to allegations of corruption and effectively become accessories after the fact, by way of effectively aiding and abetting and/or preventing the prosecution of these Government sponsored criminal offenders or by concealing serious offences. It is interesting to note that both the CMC and were wound up and re-established or reconstituted into the now CCC and the and what is even more interesting and quite concerning is the fact that these companies and after being implicated and were in fact complicit in crimes against the public and for outright corruption and maladministration of the justice system and it would appear that both of these corporations were intentionally wound up in order for the Queensland Government to avoid both criminal and civil liability and more likely than not with a view and intention of destroying evidence. But by simply renaming an organisation, the Queensland Government may have avoided liability for that particular corporation, but at the end of the day they are still vicariously liable for the conduct of these corporate identities or bodies and are therefore responsible for the acts and omissions of these GOC's and whilst clearly I do not have the authority or resources to investigate and prosecute these matters or evidence this fact, I am sure that will not investigate and prosecute the matter either, but it would appear that the winding up of these GOC's may have been an intentional act to avoid both civil and criminal liability by the an effort to covertly destroy evidence, in a similar way as the CMC accidently destroyed and distributed Fitzgerald Inquiry documents



How very convenient, there doesn't seem to be any conflict of interest in these decisions at all (sarcasm intended) or in allowing the QPS and GOC's the ability to investigate themselves for the crimes that they are committing against the public and it appears that there is no conflict of interests in coming to conclusions like this, as long as they avoid liability for the Queensland Government and that's despite the fact that it is a crime to aid and abet and/or to prevent prosecution of criminal offenders and to conceal serious criminal offences, and yet the CMC and the CCC have in effect done exactly that and they have done this in the interest of the Queensland Government and most certainly not in the interest of justice, the public or the individual that has had the crimes committed against them by certain elements within the Queensland Government.

How is it that when it comes to the investigations of allegations that are made by the public and that relate to crime and corruption within the Queensland Government, that the Queensland Government's very own Agencies, Departments and/or otherwise GOC's are entitled to investigate themselves for the crimes that they have committed against the public?

How can the QPS be allowed to investigate themselves for crimes against the public?

These questions can be and should be answered in very simple terms, and the response should be that they are not entitled to do so and most certainly should not be entitled to investigate themselves for the crimes that they have committed against the public because of the fact that it is an actual conflict of interest that in effect allows the organisations to destroy evidence or to make biased and erroneous and unlawful decisions in order to protect their own from civil and criminal liability.

The CCC by demonstrating such a flagrant disregard for the law and of the notions of natural justice and/or procedural fairness and by showing absolute contempt for the victims of crime and by intentionally disregarding the seriousness of the allegations that are being made to them by the public, and by effectively protecting the Queensland Government and the criminal offenders from being found both criminally and civilly liable and by intentionally allowing the suppression and/or destruction of evidence in order to defeat and/or to obstruct justice and/or otherwise to pervert the course of Justice and by effectively aiding and abetting the criminal offenders and/or preventing prosecution of the criminal offenders within the Queensland Government have brought themselves into disrepute and into serious question by the victims and the public alike and until these issues are addressed and considered in a Commission of Inquiry or possibly a Royal Commission to address the level of corruption that is taking place within the Queensland Government, the only protection that the public actually have is their ability to disclose the corruption to the broader community by way of the media and/or other social media platforms and any attempt by the Queensland Government to remove the public's civil rights will most certainly insight further distrust in the Queensland Government and bring the government and its agencies into further disrepute and disharmony with the general public and attract dissent.

Conflict of Interest in Criminal Investigations

The victims of crimes committed by the Queensland Government are unable to turn to the QPS for any assistance whatsoever, in fact the QPS will not investigate matters relating to crimes committed by and it appears that they will not investigate and/or prosecute their own Offices when they have in fact committed crimes against the public and in fact the QPS are wholeheartedly assisted and protected at law by the

because of the

inherent propensity to act corruptly and with bias in order to protect the QPS and their own from civil and criminal liability.

Ultimately this leaves the victims with no other option but to seek justice and legal assistance through the Crime and Corruption Commission, of which in turn simply shirks its responsibilities and duties that are owed to the public and hands off the investigations to the very organisations that have committed the crimes in the first place, of which is in itself an absolute debacle and an affront to justice as it automatically creates a very apparent, real and serious conflict of interest in the investigation and this action is in effect a miscarriage of justice and a further abuse of power and/or of the dominant position by the Queensland Government in order to defeat and pervert the course of justice.

This in effect leaves the victims with no other option but to self-represent and prosecute the matters in a court of law whilst being under a very unfair disadvantage because of the fact that the State has virtually unlimited resources and manpower, whilst the victims are left in abject poverty and forced to self-represent in order to even have the matter heard in a court of law and to seek any justice at all because it is being denied by the State itself and the victims are absolutely denied any opportunity for legal assistance and further to this they are also unable to get any pro bono legal services provided to them because of the fact that these matters revolve around criminal matters and are not civil by nature, therefore excluding the individual from retaining a pro bono lawyer.

Under the circumstances, the public are denied and deprived of any legal assistance at all by the Queensland Government and are forced to engage with the very corporations and/or Public Services that have perpetrated the crimes and other offences against them in the first place and at the end of the day, the Queensland Government is effectively investigating itself for the crimes that its very own State Departments and/or corporations are committing against the public, of which is clearly a conflict of interest in the first place and most certainly when the public are being denied any legal assistance at all.

It certainly appears that the Government has it all sorted out or otherwise covered up as the case may be and especially when they are able to effectively suppress these matters and withhold them from a court of law, of which effectively and undoubtably defeats Justice and this is certainly enabled and facilitated when the State Governments' control the CCC, the QPS and the administration of justice through the Department of Justice and Attorney General and when they are able to conduct investigations into themselves for matters ranging from but of which are not limited to crimes and corruption and of which may include many other transgressions ranging from abuses of power or the dominant position, misconduct in public office and/or relating to maladministration of our Public

Services and resources and this is regardless of where the corruption and/or misconduct originates from, or whether it relates to local councils, or the State and Federal Parliament's or any Departments' thereof or whether it relates to the conduct of elected representatives, counsellors or any other Public Servants, and it certainly appears that they are effectively above the law and acting with absolute immunity and impunity from prosecution as a result of the dominant position and biased treatment of the victims of such crime and corruption.

Therefore I say that any amendments to the law in order to facilitate the suppression of evidence and our constitutional rights to freedom of speech and to the freedom of the press would be an abuse of power and an overreach by the Queensland Government and especially when it appears that the Queensland Government and its associated corporate interests are lobbying to amend the legislation and fundamentally alter the laws of Queensland and are conspiring to silence dissent and the publication of any matters that the public have an intrinsic interest in and a right to know about and to be informed of and of which effectively relates to all matters pertaining to the governance of this Nation and its respective States and Territories and its representatives and our Public Services and/or any other State assets whatsoever and it is absolutely imperative that the public are informed and are made aware of the corruption that is being perpetrated against their interests, and by the incumbent Governments of the day or their administration and this is an absolutely essential part of Australian law and it is so important that it is protected in our Constitution and associated laws and serves to protect the public from a tyrannical Government and acts as a safeguard for the public from such criminality and it also serves to prevent the two major Political Parties from conspiring to cover up such criminality and corruption within the Queensland Parliament and its associated bodies and to prevent these parties from being able to pervert the course of Justice by supressing and/or otherwise destroying evidence of the crimes that are being continually committed against the general public or otherwise destroying such information in order to prevent both civil and criminal liability of the individuals involved and the State or other parties as the case may be.

It must be acknowledged and remembered that these public services, authorities and other administrative bodies and for that matter GOC's wield significant power and authority over the general public and have extraordinary abilities and resources to perform specific functions for the State, such as the abilities to conduct investigations and to seize generate and retain private information pertaining to citizens within the State, and to prosecute criminal offenders.

But it is an comprehensible that these Public Services and Administrative and/or Statutory Authorities have been granted such extraordinary powers and abilities amounting to the authority to perform investigations into themselves for crimes that they have committed against the public, these abilities and functions are a prime example of the Queensland Governments overreach for power and authority and of which ultimately results in the very apparent conflicts of interest that exist in allowing any individual or organisation the ability to investigate themselves for crimes that they have committed and of which effectively results in the breakdown and failure of the entire justice system.

This leaves the victims and their families feeling helpless, desperate and vulnerable as they come to grips with the fact that they have no one to turn to for any help or support within the Queensland Government and as is the case, the public have no authority, or other ability or resources to seize evidence or to investigate crimes and corruption within the Queensland Government, nor have they got the right to access the private and personal information of any individual member of our society, and when the very organizations' that do have the power and authority to perform these functions are failing to fulfil their roles and responsibilities' to the public and to the administration of justice, the public are left with no other option but to assume that they are either grossly negligent or that they have become complicit in the crimes that have been committed and that they have effectively become accessories after the fact and that they are in fact aiding and abetting and/or preventing the prosecution of the criminal offenders and when this occurs, and the victim has exhausted all efforts to seek justice and to have the matter heard and resolved through conventional means they are left with no other option but to seek help and assistance from their fellow man and thankfully in this day and age we have the Internet and social media, of which can be used to level the playing field a little bit and to assist the victims in informing the general public of the crimes and corruption that has been perpetrated against them and therefore in effect against the public's interest by the Queensland Government and its agencies and/or other corporate identities.

Therefore I say that any attempt to curtail the public's right and ability to release and/or otherwise to publish information pertaining to matters of the State and that would impose criminal sanctions and liability to what is in fact a civil right would be a grotesque abuse of power and an overreach of authority and especially when it comes to suppressing information that amounts to State sanctioned crime and corruption and/or other matters of maladministration and/or any other matters that relate to the Queensland Government and its functions and the administration of our Public Services and/or otherwise relating to any civil or criminal acts and/or omissions of Public Servants and GOC's that have been implemented in order to provide services to the public, and any release of information pertaining to such matters is most certainly a matter of public interest and of which makes the action of releasing and/or publicising the information an act which serves the public interest, and of which would therefore justify the release of the evidence and make it a lawful and justified release or publication of information.

As such, the ability for the public and/or the media to release information pertaining to the public interest and corruption within the Queensland Government serves to protect the public and acts as a check and balance against the Queensland Government's version of events and to its self-assessment regime, whereby it has granted itself the ability to investigate itself for crimes against the public, and yet the Government is attempting to deny the public their rightful ability to assess the performance of our Government and to question the Government's legitimacy and their interpretation of the events that took place and especially when the allegations relate to crime and corruption and cover-ups of crime and corruption within the Queensland Government or even when it relates to other acts and omissions that may amount to either civil or criminal offences that are being committed against the public and/or the State of Queensland, and especially when these crimes are being committed by our very own Government and/or our Public Services or any other GOC's and is being achieved through the use and abuse of Australian law, the Australian legal system and the legislative provisions of the State Parliament.

It is essential that the victims and/or the public and the media have the ability to release or publicise any information pertaining to public interest matters as it not only protects the victim but the public too, and it also allows the Public an opportunity to hold the Government to account and to ensure that they are acting honestly and in the public's interest at all times, and especially when it is apparent that the Government is acting in the alternative and conducting itself in such a manner that is intended to defeat justice and to suppress evidence and/or in an attempt to cover-up its own systemically rampant crime and corruption within its own ranks and in the protectionist fashion that it currently displays and of which will continue for as long as these GOC's are able to investigate themselves for the crimes and corruption that is being perpetrated against the public and for as long as they are able to avoid prosecution and liability by pardoning or excusing themselves from any wrongdoing or responsibility whatsoever and unfortunately this appears to be a matter of practice and/or policy in relation to the handling of such matters.

It appears that the Government conducts itself in this manner in order to avoid the repercussions of being found both criminally and civilly liable for the crimes and corruption being committed within its ranks and/or in relation to any wrongdoing that may have taken place and it is for this reason that the public must maintain their rights and freedoms to release or otherwise publicise information pertaining to allegations of corrupt conduct in public office and GOC's and that is because it is ultimately serving to protect the public from what is in effect wilful blindness and criminal abuses of power and/or authority and gross negligence on the part of a tyrannous Government organization that thinks and conducts itself as if it is above the law and untouchable and I guess that it kind of is, when Government Departments and GOC's are being granted the ability to investigate themselves for the crimes that they have committed against the public and when the Government retains and maintains an overarching control over the Public Services and the justice system and when these organisations are serving to protect themselves and their own from both civil and criminal liability and are acting in their own financial interest, as opposed to acting in the interest of the public and the victims of such crime and corruption.

It is also important to note that all administrative bodies within the State Government are acting in the interest of the Parliament/Government of the day, and this conflict of interest arises by the very fact that these administrative bodies receive funding from the State Parliament/Government in order to perform their functions and the fact that they derive their administrative powers and authority to perform their functions and/or to otherwise extend their functions through and from the legislative provisions of the State Parliament/Government of the day and of which denotes a vested interest in the outcome of any investigations and displays an apparent and existing conflict of interest affecting their ability to conduct a full and proper investigation into the allegations that have or are being made by the public.

Further to this, it is in each Public Service or Administrative Departments or GOC's interest to increase their profits and to prevent any exposure to civil or criminal liability and therefore by way of a conflict of interest pertaining to financial interests and association with the State Parliament/Government whom is also acting in the Queensland Government's interest in order to protect itself from being found to be vicariously liable for civil and criminal acts that are being committed against the public interest, but whilst this could be misconstrued into acts and omissions that are designed and intended to protect

the States interest, it cannot be said and it is most certainly not in the interest of the State to go about lawlessly maining and distroy it's populace and denying justice to the public in order to grant benifits to corporations or otherwise to protect criminals.

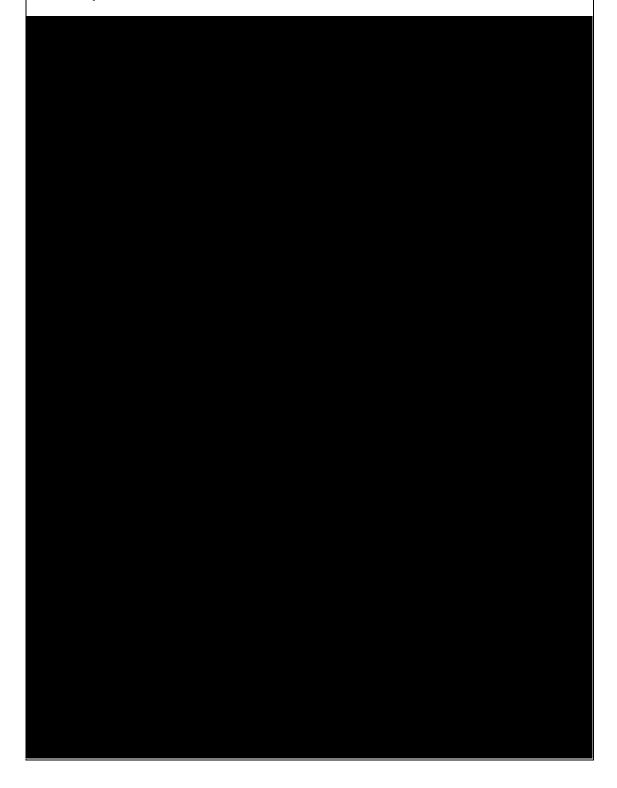
But the truth is that our Public Services, Administrative Departments and GOC's are all in effect corporations that are owned and operated by the Queensland Government and that are managed under the portfolios of our Elected Representatives and their associated Departments, Agencies or GOC's and/or by other Parties as the case may be for the Government of the day and that is because all of these Queensland Government Departments and/or any other Agencies, Administrative Bodies and Body Incorporates have all been corporatized, and this relates to all Government Institutions and Public Services. As such, and in order to combat this apparent conflict of interest, the public and the victims of state commissioned crimes and corruption rely on the media and social media platforms in order to reach out for assistance and protection by the public and in order to expose the crime and corruption within the Queensland Government and this right to do so is an absolutely vital part of our modern society and acts to ensure that the level of Government corruption and abuse of authority is kept in check by the public and insures that the Queensland Government, the Department of Justice and Attorney General and the the justice system are also held to account when it comes to the administration of justice or lack thereof as the case may be.

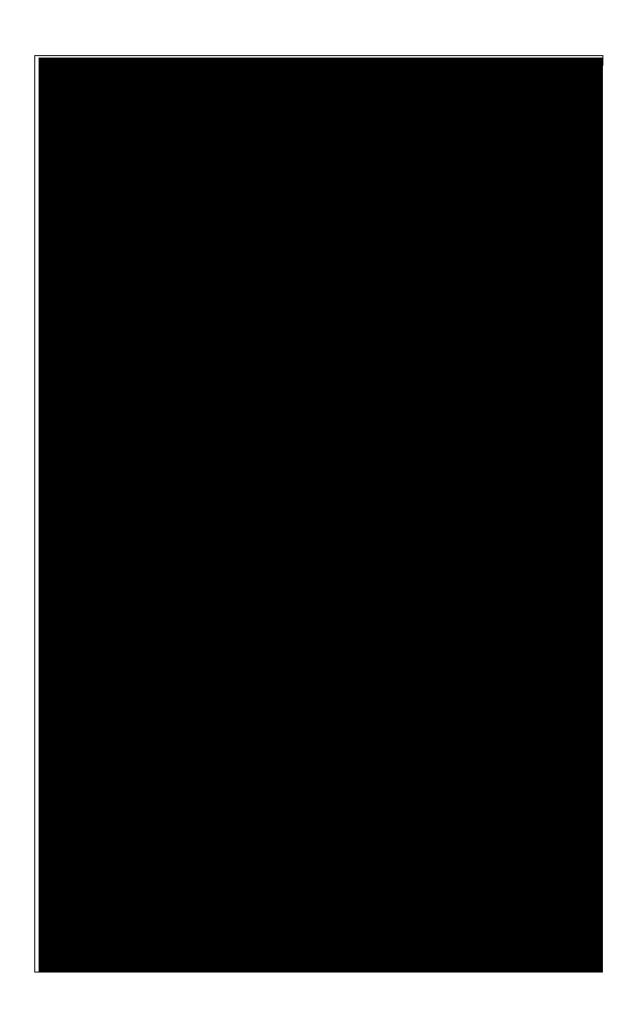


In truth the CCC has failed in fulfilling its roles and responsibilities that are owed to the public and in relation to the administration of justice and in their abilities to conduct a fair and unbiased investigation into the assertions that are made by the victims of State crime and corruption and into State owned and operated corporations and the CCC's function as the Crime and Corruption Commission has been wholly compromised, and I do not think that this is an unreasonable statement when considering the importance of its functions within our community and to the administration of justice and the prevention, identification and prosecution of State sanctioned crime and corruption.

The CCC has achieved this by failing to conduct any proper and/or legitimate investigations into the complaints that are being made by the victims of these crimes and have contributed to and facilitated this by allowing the organisations that are responsible for the

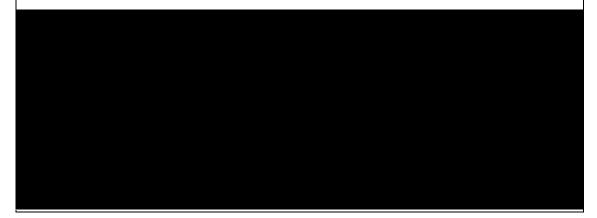
crime and/or corruption the unconscionable and unjust ability to investigate themselves for the crimes that they have in fact perpetrated against the public and of which denotes a very serious conflict of interest as the investigating parties are continually acting under a conflict of interest and have a vested interest in the findings of any inquiry and in finding that there has been no crime committed and this CCC is facilitating this breakdown in the justice system and in the functions of the CCC as a result of the biased treatment of the complainant's assertions as a result of their close associations with the offending parties and the Queensland Government.





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How can the justice system function in the face of such corruption or for that matter the Judiciary, of which is expected to operate as the third branch or arm of Government and as a check and balance on the conduct and performance of the Government, but how can it possibly operate effectively and in a just and equitable manner, when the evidence presented before the courts are being wholly manipulated and controlled by criminal elements within the Queensland Government that are acting outside the law and with absolute impunity and when organisations like the are allowing its officers to bring false and malicious testimony against innocent members of the public and when they are manipulating and controlling the evidence that goes before the courts and the investigations.



Conflict of interest
The CCC is clearly aware of what a conflict of interest is, it has an entire section of its
website devoted to it and the management of conflicts of interest as can be seen below and
yet it allows organisations like to investigate themselves for the crimes that they are committing against the public and it certainly is not
like the are immune from corruption and in fact QPS of which was previously named the Queensland Police Force and
therefore the Department of Justice was in fact the catalyst for the initiation of the
Fitzgerald Inquiry and yet with a change of the name, all is conveniently forgotten and they are all of a sudden squeaky clean and can be trusted with investigating themselves, go

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CCC – Conflict of interest

http://www.ccc.qld.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications/prevention/conflicts-of-interest

Managing conflicts of interest in the public sector — guidelines

(http://www.ccc.qld.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications/prevention/conflicts-of-interest/managing-conflicts-of-interest-in-the-public-sector-2014-guidelines.pdf) Strategies and options for managing conflicts of interest in Australian public sector organisations, developed jointly by the CMC and ICAC.

Managing conflicts of interest in the public sector — toolkit

Tests to help you to decide whether you have a conflict of interest.

(http://www.ccc.qld.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications/prevention/conflicts-of-interest/managing-conflicts-of-interest-in-the-public-sector-toolkits.pdf)
Practical assistance for managing conflicts of interest in public sector organisations.

Identifying conflicts of interest in the public sector — checklist (http://www.ccc.qld.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications/prevention/conflicts-of-interest/identifying-conflicts-of-interest-in-the-public-sector-2014-checklist.pdf)

Councillor Conduct Guide

(http://www.ccc.qld.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications/prevention/conflicts-of-interest/the-councillor-conduct-guide.pdf)

Guide for councillors on statutory obligations and ethical conduct required under the Local Government Act 2009; updated July 2013.

Principles of Justice and Law

It is important to take into consideration the following Latin phrases when considering this document, and I say this because they are extremely relevant and applicable to Australian law and the administration of justice and are extremely relevant in relation to the above-mentioned matters and the disgraceful practice of allowing Government owned organisations that are acting criminally or "criminal organisations" the right to investigate themselves for the crimes that they have in fact committed against the public, as it is an abuse of power and/or authority and a miscarriage of justice to allow such conduct to continue it must be acknowledged by the CCC, the Department of Justice and Attorney General and the Queensland Government that this abuse of power cannot continue and must be brought to an end immediately in order to facilitate Justice and to act in and protect the interest of the public and most importantly victims of such crime and their families;

- Nemo judex in causa sua (Latin for, no man a judge in his own case).
- "Quis custodiet ipsos custodes" ("who will guard the guards themselves?" Or "who will watch the watchmen?")

Surely no decision can be found to be valid if it has been influenced by any financial considerations or other interest or bias of the decision maker and these principles should

apply to decisions of all Governmental agencies and tribunals, and judgments of all courts, which may be declared to be of having no effect (ultra vires) if found in contravention of natural justice.

What is procedural fairness?

"The common law has recognised, a duty to accord a person procedural fairness (also known as "natural justice") when making a decision that affects their rights, interests or legitimate expectations, at least in certain circumstances. The duty only arises if the decision affects a person individually rather than as a member of the public or a class of the public. Also, the duty may be removed by the clear manifestation of a contrary statutory intention."

"Breach of a similar duty is a ground for judicial review under the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) and State and Territory legislation."

"The duty to accord procedural fairness consists of three key rules:

- the hearing rule, which requires a decision-maker to accord a person who may be adversely affected by a decision an opportunity to present his or her case;
- the rule against bias, which requires a decision-maker not to have an interest in the matter to be decided and not to appear to bring a prejudiced mind to the matter; and
- the "no evidence" rule, which requires a decision to be based upon logically probative evidence."

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