Submission 6 - Charles Steff

My name is Charles Steff. I have had previous dealings with the CMC regarding misconduct and corrupt practices conducted by [redacted] and other [redacted]. My complaints were serious enough to be taken to the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Committee. I also attended a meeting at the CMC building in Brisbane in company with [redacted]

I firmly believe that the lack of transparency that was quite obviously used by the CMC has only served to encourage other Government departments to do the same up to the present time.

Unless the public in general can be made aware of allegations lodged with the CCC, how can transparency exist? In my particular case, allegations of corrupt misconduct in a government department were passed to that very same department to investigate. I firmly believe that if the allegations were made public at the time, many more similar cases would have surfaced. Despite many letters to the CMC containing proof of misconduct, nothing was done apart from the CMC delegating the investigation to the department complained about. Similar allegations regarding the now defunct [redacted] were also dismissed after the [redacted] investigated itself. Even though I provided absolute proof of misconduct and corrupt practices, the [redacted] chose to disregard them. I'm sure if transparency had existed then, there would have been a far different outcome.

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