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**INQUIRY INTO REVIEW OF THE INQUIRY INTO
ALLEGATIONS OF BULLYING IN WORKCOVER NSW**

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Partially Confidential

Attention Standing Committee

I was part of the original inquiry Diana Simpkins No 89.

<http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/prod/parlament/committee.nsf/0/58C88DBD5409E998CA257CFD000842B4>

This year in Jan 2014 I was cut off without warning by my insurer. I was forced to beg on the streets. head of injuries department at boasted over the phone, he had proof in front of him that I was sent emails and normal Australian Post of my termination from workers compensation payments. My dependent daughter was distressed crying that she was a burden for me - 's response was "So what !!! "

I hung me totally broken down contacted WorkCover NSW whose response was to arrange psychiatric counselling which devastated me as the main point was to have food, shelter.

WorkCover NSW interaction was of an indirect bullying, lies and intimidation where they have cut off all correspondence on the matter. I have since Feb 2014 filed a complaint with the NSW Ombudsman and the matter is still under review.

WorkCover NSW protects the insurer, employer and continues to discriminate against the injured worker.

When I finally gained Centrelink Sickness Benefits, I finally was proven to be telling the truth by internal review at , but no apology was ever given for the behaviour of , my case manager and also Senior Case Manager who lied and defamed me in a G4S investigation where it was stated that I abused Staff in when I was at my husband's graveside as it was the first anniversary of his death.

I am now back on Workers Compensation benefits and Centrelink was repaid by the insurer. To date since July 2014 there has been no further response

from the Insurer to my outstanding questions.

I have no legal help thanks to the changes in Workers Compensation legislation. I feel lost and alone due to the trauma inflicted by the insurer, my ex employer and WorkCover NSW.

WIRO are inundated with complaints that now they havent replied to any emails which I also sent to them went I contacted the insurer and WorkCover each time.

Nothing will change with the inquiry especially at management level at WorkCover NSW. The committee of the Legislative Council have had previous hearings over the years with WorkCover NSW and I see no change in the attitude especially to injured workers who have no legal help due to their economic situation.

Please give my appreciation to the Honourable Independent MP Greg Piper who gave me \$50 outside NSW Parliament House when I was begging/protesting to survive about the insurer cuts which drove me to the streets.

I had a job as a Library Officer for over eight and half years to be terminated by stating they couldnt afford my 14 hrs out of 28 hrs permanent part-time while male outdoor staff implicated in ICAC kickbacks of \$100,000 were allowed to keep their jobs as the GM stated that in the scheme of things it was minor

What a crazy world we live in where corruption, lies and intimidation rule and older single women like myself are pushed into poverty and despair.

I would like to now also state that I twitter as @CorruptNSW as when my husband died I was denied justice by the NSW Legal Services Commissioner - Steve Mark. This is my profile

So I have been continually denied justice since my husband's death
in 2007 and now denied a living and a life by WorkCover NSW,
and the insurer.

Sincerely

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