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ATTN: Dame Susan Devoy,  
Race Relations Commissioner.

I wish to make a serious complaint. I am discriminated, not only by my ancestral rights as a native but by my blood line. I have been in touch with your department over this racist problem, which seems to be occurring on a regular basis.

Over the last 5 years, I have engaged a lawyer, Janet Mason, of Pacific Law. I was lead to believe that she was representing me for my best interest, bringing forward a claim against the NZ Government for Breach Of Duty, under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1915 for an illegal bankruptcy, and under section 216 of Revaluation of Lands. There were Acts used against my grandparents from Government, as to benefit certain parties for financial gain, between 1921 - 1953.

This claim should have been addressed years ago by Tamiki Legal or Janet Mason, who was highly recommended from Tamiki Legal.

My researcher emailed Chris Finlayson complaining about Janet Mason's racism. He advised him to get hold of the Treaty of Waitangi.

After speaking to the Registrar of the Waitangi Tribunal, she informed me that there had been 6 claims lodged into the wai 2500 from Janet. The evidence proves that Janet was using my research to advance clients for the Treaty of Waitangi, (wai 2500) under the new Treaty claims. This is the reason why Janet Mason ceased to represent me four days before our High Court appeal, as this would prove to be a conflict of interest.

The Justice Department made an error by using 12. (4)(d)(i) of the Legal Aid Act 2011. Janet should have addressed this Act from the beginning, but chose not to, as she knew that this Act would put a spanner in the works towards my claim, which it did. Janet advanced her Maori Military Veterans claims through the Treaty, under the wai 2500 for a similar claim to mine. Janet used our research and knowledge. She knew nothing with regard to the Returned Servicemen of any war, especially the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act of 1915.

When Maori Military Veterans claims were been lodged in 2014 from Janet under the Treaty Of Waitangi. Alarm bells should have rang for Chris Finlayson back in 2010, when Mr Chris Finlayson should had addressed this, refer to Ref: 26/ 6/ 2010 requesting information to do with my grandfather, under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1915. However Chris Finlayson chose not to address this, but apologized for what took place towards my family, he directed it on to Crown Law, then Crown Law told us to go to Archives.

"Where do they think I got the documentation of evidence, for the corruption from Government came from?" ( Archives )  
Question: Does this mean that Chris Finlayson is just as racist as Janet Mason, along with Legal Aid, Law Society, and the members of the Waitangi Tribunal? You could add the Minister of Justice, Amy Adams, as she chose not to address these issues either.

Janet Mason later requested, using the OIA to Chris Finlayson for the release of documents "Lease number 641, W.M.Peterson". Chris Finlayson directed Janet Mason into Crown Law, as this was not his portfolio. Crown Law directed her to Archives. However, I had already procured copies of these documents back in 2010 and onwards. There were documents of Government Officials and speculators showing great interests into my grandparents estate, back in 1920. Now my documents seem to have great interests with Lawyers and Government Officials of today.

I requested Janet for the return of all my documents, but only a small amount was returned. on some of my grandfathers documentments, dated 1/4/1927 were Treaty documents printed on the back. They showed Janet Mason's signature on the wai 532, dated 13/ 10/ 2011. This is how we found out that my Lawyer was still working on the Treaty for the new claims to be lodged under the wai 2500. I never gave Janet Mason authorisation to submit our privileged information into the Treaty Claims for other clients. Also attached, Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1915, where Janet Mason has attached legislation to do with Maori Soldiers. As a native, this is racist.

From the beginning, I asked Janet to submit this claim through the Treaty of Waitangi. She was a Treaty Lawyer. Janet states that I had to be Maori, which at that time I expected, as she was my lawyer, and would have understood the Treaty.

Several years later, having been in touch with your office, it was suggested from you that I should read the Treaty of Waitangi, which I did.

Under the Treaty of Waitangi 1840, The First Schedule and Article The Third, states to Natives the rights and privileges of the British Empire. Today the Waitangi Tribunal recognises this document, only as a reference.

My grandfather was a Native Soldier, leaving these shores on three different occasions with the Military Forces for New Zealand, so we could have Ministers like you, to preserve and protect our rights under the British Empire.

It writes under the Treaty of Waitangi for the wai 2500 claims, you must be Maori, but under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act and its Amendments for returned servicemen, doesn't mention race.)

Janet said she would give 100% attention to our claim as she no longer working on the Treaty. It is evident that Janet and her lead provider Judge Mike Doogan had a personal interest with my claim, from day one.

Janet remained with the Treaty of Waitangi, along with years of our research and historic documents.

Janet Mason of Pacific Law has misrepresented me, and my ancestral rights. Janet has received funding from me through Legal Aid, as well as a pay out from the Treaty. Janet has been using

my research for her own personal gain through her Treaty claims under Maori Military Veterans claim, wai 2500 - 532 using Soldiers Advancements and Lands Survey of the 26 files. Within these files there is a substantial amount of documentation.

Further, Janet stated that she no longer required any more of our documentation, as we had supplied her enough evidence, in

order to obtain a successful outcome. I interpreted from these comments that the documentation I had supplied her is bullet proof.

This is the first claim of its kind to be presented before the Courts and Government. It has taken over 8 years to complete. Proof of law, beyond reasonable doubt, all is now in the hands of the Waitangi Tribunal.

Janet and I were working towards having all documentation submitted by 2014, for the centennial of our Soldiers. Janet used our research to advance her claims since 2011 and began to lodge Soldiers claims 2014, while she was still acting for me. This was obviously a conflict of interest on her part.

When I typed in the words "soldiers claim" into Google, I found that there were submissions into the Treaty, in September 2014. These submissions had nothing to do with my claim, although they should have, as the soldiers all went to war together for our rights of freedom, that stands today. so "WHY is it allowed that the NZ Race Relations Commissioner can except only the Maori Veterans, and not Native?"

I have no trust in our Legal System or Ministers with the result that has been delivered from there decisions over the years. The Commissioner of Legal Services wishes to use section 10(4)(d)(i) of the Legal Service Act 2011, to decline my application for Legal Aid, but the Maori Soldiers claims have gone through on verbal submissions. The question I put before you is "Why does my claim need to produce the documents for proof, which we have, and maori dont?"

Our first lawyer was from Tamiki Legal, who returned some of our documentation after three months, stating a conflict of interest, then referred Janet Mason to take the case on.

Was this a set up from the beginning, when you have Mike Doogan, now an acting Maori Land Court Judge, had followed my claim from Tamiki Legal 2010, right through till 2015, signing it off as a successful claimant. Maanu Paul who was on the Maori Land Council, also heads up the wai 2500 inquiry, was in my file. Treaty Claims have been accepted by Legal Aid for verbal submissions. When been a Native we have to produce documents, which I had supplied.

Why is Waitangi Legal Aid accepts Treaty claims but under Civil for a similar claim, gets declined? There is a lot of unanswered questions from the Government Departments, that needs to be addressed. " Where is JUSTICE?"

Five years later Janet dismissed me as soon as she lodged 6 different claims for her clients into the Treaty of Waitangi under the wai 2500, just before we had a High Court Appeal hearing.

When lodging a complaint into the law society against Janet Mason for misrepresentation and perverting the course of justice for her own financial gain, the outcome from the Law Society was the same as Tamiki Legal back in 2010 with a similar complaint. ( missing documents ) This

is far more serious as I have missing documentation from the Law Society, which they have not returned, eg: Order History Sheets containing, tens of thousands of hours of research. With the dealings that I have had since the two Law Firms, it would not surprise me that the information in the History Sheets are on their way to the Waitangi Tribunal. Committee 4 said they are not going to investigate any further.

The Law Society, justified their investigation by using laws to cover themselves along with Janet Mason. This is another cover up from the Law Society as we had trouble with Tamiki Legal, who also is involved with the wai 2500.

There are many unanswered questions that need to be answered. The investigation from the Law Society have not addressed any of my issues in regards to the complaint. We provided over a thousand documents with the evidence to prove this is racist and corrupt. We have kept all documents from the Law Society of everything to do with Janet Mason, Tamiki Legal, and Government Departments, which it shows racism, by deliberate discrimination towards my family.

For years we have provided Janet Mason, Judge Mike Doogan, documentation in regards to the Returned Servicemen for W.W.1 Soldiers, along with Maanu Paul who are involved with the Treaty of Waitangi and submitted claims similar to mine. Judge Issac who heads up the wai 2500 who also is familiar with the claim, states that he can not act for us, but would hold the documents on file.

You do see, Dame Susan Devoy, that there are many racist events happening.

Please address this as soon as possible.

Look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely

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