

soldiersclaim

Peterson & McNeigh
9th September 2015

Att: Attorney-General

Dear Hon Mr Chris Finlayson:

My name is Wayne Duggan, I have been researching William Magnus Petersons estate, as well as other WW1 soldiers, for the Peterson & McNeight families.

My seven years of research, has been passed onto their lawyer, Janet Mason of Pacific Law.

You should be familiar with my research, as this is to do with the Discharged Soldiers Settlements.

Four days before Petersons high court appeal, Janet Mason dismissed the claim, as she didn't submit the correct paperwork for Legal Aid funding to continue. Janet has refused to return all of my research, so I decided to research her. The research that we were supplying Mason, had been submitted into the Treaty claims, from 2011, example: wai 532, had Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1915, as well as soldiers advancements.

Got intouch with the iwi for that claim, to my amazement it was Petersons lawyer, Janet Mason.

Your records will show you around 2010, Janet requested under OIA lease 641, to do with the Petersons claim, as I wish to use this as a reference, to prove that Mason had no knowledge on WW1 Discharged Soldiers, until Petersons claim had been submitted to Mason, back in 2010.

I feel this is a racist issue, as she had been paid from Legal Aid to represent the Petersons, while she was submitting our research into the Treaty claims.

The paperwork attached to this, is the Discharged Soldiers

Settlement Act 1915, which was supplied to Janet, you will see that she has attached other sections of laws to do with Maori Soldiers. This has nothing to do with the Petersons claim.

I want a full government investigation from your office into all of Janet Masons paperwork, which had been submitted into the Treaty from 2011 to present date.

Is this a common practise for a Treaty lawyer, to rip off other peoples research, then present it, as there own evidence for the Treaty claim, again there seems to be a racist issue arising.

Do you check the authenticity, as well as the origin of all the documents thats been submitted into the Treaty, if so, you have missed this one, as Treaty settlements was to do with land, not the Discharged Soldiers of 1915. This would have set off alarm bells, if you were doing your job sufficiently.

The document thats dated 1/ 4/ 1927, has had its stamps and sections of law removed, which had been submitted into the Treaty. This belongs to the Petersons claim. This is my research, of over 7 years work, which Janet refuses to return all of my files. The evidence leads me to believe that its been submitted into the Treaty, this is the reason why we don't have our complete files back. She has not paid one cent for all our documents.

Why should Janet get paid \$500,000 from the Waitangi Tribunal for our research, which was used in the Treaty claims.

Looking forward for the outcome of your investigation.

Yours sincerely

Wayne Duggan

(Researcher, Peterson / McNeight)