

## Inquiry into Elder Abuse in Queensland

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### Submitter Comments:

Dear Queensland Elder Abuse Enquiry, I was profoundly pleased to hear of your enquiry, thank you for your time and effort working against Elder Abuse. Would there be value in me appearing before you at the public hearing on the 21st of May or at another time convenient to you? By way of background, I have served as an older person's chaplain for over 15 years, seen and actively worked to prevent Elder Abuse. Elder abuse is a topic which I am passionate about and have written a few articles about and recently been interviewed by 'The Melbourne Anglican' about. Here are links to these pieces: <https://theothercheek.com.au/hidden-abuse/><https://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/2024/12/as-simple-as-knowing-someones-name-churches-combat-elder-abuse/><https://www.eternitynews.com.au/opinion/guarding-against-elder-abuse-in-church/><https://www.eternitynews.com.au/australia/six-signs-of-elder-abuse-and-how-you-can-help/> If you are interested in my background, my LinkedIn profile is a good place to start: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/rev-ben-boland-b4572a108/> If I can help you with this critical enquiry, please do not hesitate to contact me. Ben Rev Ben Boland BSc (Hon), MDiv, Grad Dip (Ageing and Pastoral) [REDACTED]