

## **Inquiry into Elder Abuse in Queensland**

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## **MY OVERARCHING VIEWS OF ELDER ABUSE HISTORY:**

**I am being indefinitely and unfairly punished by my daughter's nasty ex-partner for proactively voicing concerns and unsafe practices to prevent harm to my granddaughter and her protective mother.** This type of narcissistic abuser will make it his life mission to destroy his accusers- this is what the nasty ex does and is still doing.

I have been punished since 2011, for 'voicing safety concerns and for reporting potential hazards or unsafe practices regarding my grandchild's father's long-term, coercive controlling, alienating, isolating, bullying and abusive conduct regarding my daughter and granddaughter. Inconceivably in 2017 the family law court judge ordered my grandchild to live in sole custody with the parent she alleged was abusing her.

I am still being punished in 2025, for voicing 'substantive x2" unsafe practices in the home in 2014 and 2015 and worse-where my then 3-y-old granddaughter asked her mother and I to protect her from her abusive father, however the victim child became a casualty of unchecked judicial power and corruption as did my daughter and myself. I will continue to be punished until 2030, until my granddaughter born 2012, ages out of the family law system when she turns 18. Enabling systemic societal attitudes also contributed to violence against myself and made it easier for extreme toxic violence against me to continue indefinitely for 18+ years without detection or intervention.

**How did we get here?** How did we reach a point where genuine care for the safety of the elderly and especially that of vulnerable children is not only devalued, but actively punished? Why is empathy- something that should be fundamental to human society now be treated as a problem? Why is there no sense of right or wrong or fair or unfair? And why are individuals indifferent to the concept of justice in the moral sense?

**Ambiguous Loss of my Granddaughter.** Unfortunately fulfilling the grandmother's role through a warm and loving relationship with a granddaughter is a deeply treasured role that estrangement can and does block indefinitely. There's a special term for such loss that I experience; It is considered 'ambiguous loss'. This refers to a non-death loss that reflects the physical inaccessibility of a child while that child is still alive.

**Defining elder abuse and lack of care resulting in harm and distress.** I am an 80-y old older woman disturbingly and unjustly alienated and isolated from my granddaughter in 2017, since she was 4. I know I am regarded as insignificant, leading society to fail to recognize the importance of assuring dignified, supportive and non-abusive life circumstances for myself and every other older person. These factors include exploitation, modern slavery, human trafficking for personal gain, forced alienation and isolation from my beloved granddaughter to exploit me my grandchild and her mother invoking serious violations of my human rights including my entire maternal family's rights – where abuse, devaluation and lack of respect for older adults and especially society's belief that what goes on in the home is a private "family

matter". My granddaughter has no choice but to align herself with the parent who abused/harmed her when she was a baby (substantiated x2 by Qld Child Safety Dept) and is still allegedly emotionally and psychologically harming her now. My grandchild is a 'hostage' she aligns herself with the parent who harmed her. Alignment is a trauma response, and it is how a child stays safe in an unsafe environment by proxy.

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I Thank the committee for the opportunity for elder abused people like me to provide the committee with an understanding of relevant 'lived with' experienced elder abuse issues by building awareness of the perpetrator in my case's long-term family and domestic violence, bullying and indefinite emotional abuse including relentless harassment, intimidation and humiliation, causing harm on my physical and psychological health, where the perpetrator of elder abuse has intentionally destroyed my social and inalienable family ties since 2017, and possibly counting until 2030.

### **Public awareness**

In order to possibly gain much needed transparency, accountability and public scrutiny, **my elder abuse story needs to be told.** The first and most important step towards preventing elder abuse is for the committee to recognize that no one, not me, or any other vulnerable adult should be subjected to long-term, indefinite, violent, abusive, humiliating and/or neglectful behavior, mistreatment and exploitation like I have been, still are living and counting until 2030 when my grandchild turns 18 and ages out of the extremely flawed, broken and exempt from being called to account family court system.

**Education** is the cornerstone of preventing elder abuse. In my case elder abuse is occurring in the family by a vengeful family member with an exaggerated sense of justice who feels the need to retaliate for perceived offences. The elder abuser struggles to let go of grudges and always reacts with anger and hostility. There needs to be a concerted effort to educate the public about the special needs and problems of older adults and the risk factors for abuse including the secrecy around the law system that has created such draconian conditions for good loving, caring protective mothers and grandmothers who have been unfairly/unjustly expunged from the lives of their children alongside this 'deeply disturbing' elder abuse problem that must also be addressed.

**Mothers in the 'gender biased' family court underworld thrust into custody fight. Mothers are stripped of custody** after the other parent charges "parental alienation" (PA) as a smokescreen. PA is used as a counter-allegation to a claim of domestic abuse. Research suggests "children affected by such behaviors' were found to have greater signs of serious mental stress". Research also described "the mental health impact on the entire alienated population as endemic". *"It's a toxic parent passing on endless trauma to his child and that's going to stay with her forever"*. Judges who believe this fallacy using incorrect information from the father, decided my granddaughter's future.

They stripped the mother of custody and relegated her to restrictive and limited contact with her child. That came with a court approved institutional setting where a visitation supervisor was and still is hired 8 years later and counting until 2030, to monitor everything the mother says to her child, so as to prevent any further discussions of abuse. In most cases the costs of supervision become so prohibitive to the mother that she cannot continue to see her child. That is the mother is forced to pay in addition to child support a few hundred dollars per visit. Fathers use the 'parental alienation' fallacy to gain full custody of the child then themselves become alienators to alienate the child from the mother and her maternal family by proxy – with impunity.

**My lived experience of systemic elder abuse.** Along with my daughter I sought help and support from the authorities. I set crucial strategies and boundaries to protect our child's well-being. No one listened. The 2017 Family Court trial and the entire system failed to respond to my daughter or to my own cries for help, rather they acted as enablers for the father- where the child was ordered to live in sole custody with her allegedly dangerous parent. The father was also awarded more chances to commit coercive controlling domestic violence. He not only 'won' our child he then "took revenge" not only on me but also on my daughter to harm and to inflict punishment on me/us as a response for me 'telling on him' in court and revealing his abusive conduct' to which he still perceives as a dire wrongdoing inflicted on him by me, which he dishonestly and unjustifiably considers was/is still extremely injurious to him. This type of malignant abuser- once accused- makes it his life's mission to destroy his accuser's.

**Where is the sense of moral justice?** There is no sense of a system of fairness and equity based on strong moral principles aiming to create a world where individuals like me are treated fairly, justly and with respect regardless of background or circumstances. Since unjust judgment was handed down eight years ago, currently in 2025 and counting possibly until 2030, my grandchild's father not only retaliated by taking revenge on me, but he is also seeking indefinite retribution or payback on my daughter, including my entire maternal family until 2030, when our child becomes an adult. He emotionally and psychologically abuses us with impunity- because he can.

**Beyond the immediate mother/father party to the court case** collateral damage occurred and is still occurring to my entire maternal family. My family and I were not parties to the court case-where the court gave total power and control to the father.

**Reputational harm occurred to me.** He 'gaslights' me and sees me as his 'mortal enemy' and a dangerous foe. His intense deep-rooted hatred and wish to harm me with the implication of a desire for my complete destruction is a palpable 'pattern' of long-term revengeful conduct which has characteristics of elder abuse, going way beyond ordinary animosity- where his desire to cause significant harm to me ensures that I am neglected, isolated and alienated from my beloved granddaughter and she is neglected, isolated and alienated from me, including her entire maternal family. Emotional distress

and anxiety by the father's toxic abuse is ongoing and has had a lasting negative impact on myself and my entire family, The negative consequences have been far reaching and long lasting for my family where I am prevented from having any contact at all with my granddaughter and my family must ask the father and the Children's Contact Centre supervisor for permission to join in on supervised paid mother/child contact visits.

The father's conduct to always exert power and dominance is subtle and insidious and individually targeted not only to the victim survivor mother and myself but also to everyone in my family. Why does he do this? Why does he have her grandfather, her, Uncle, Aunt and cousins supervised? Because he is fearful that if the child is unsupervised and alone with any one or other member of my family she may open up and confide in them about his alleged misconduct, ill-treatment and/or exploitation.

Our child's thoughts, wants, needs and feelings including my own physical, emotional and social needs, are psychologically abused and neglected by her father's insatiable, persistent desire for power, control & retribution, she has no choice but to adapt and appease to align herself to the person who substantively harmed her in 2014/2015, he is still emotionally and psychologically harming her currently in 2025, and counting. Her father doesn't care about collateral damage to her, as long as it hurts her mum and me.

**How is it fair or just** that the mother is still supervised- where the supervisor notes everything the mother says to the child – 8 years after judgment was handed down because of the father's insatiable desire for coercive power and control by proxy?

**How is it fair or just** that the father isolates the child not only from her mother but also from me and prevents her from having any contact with me whatsoever- 8 years after judgment was handed down? He DENIES wrongdoings he ATTACKS his victims he REVERSES VICTIM and OFFENDER, where he 'gaslights' me and because he was given orders for total power and control by family court in 2017, he still keeps me, my daughter and granddaughter pointlessly and punitively punished for his own misdeeds and wrongdoings. He is guilty of not only coercive control which on 26 May 2025 will be a criminal offense in Qld. He is also guilty of emotional and psychological child abuse.

**How is it fair or just** that the father will only let my extended family visit with the child so long as they also pay to be supervised? He treats our family as if "we are all criminals". He denies us all of our autonomy and liberty and ensures that deep injustices indefinitely permeate and devastate everyone else's in my family's lives as well as mine.

**The elder abuser still shows a strong unreasoning desire for revenge.** No one gets more upset and angrier and shows a strong desire for revenge than a grudge holding vindictive person being accused of 'substantiated' crimes that he definitely committed. His desire to 'get even' ensures that the father badmouths me to the child and prevents any contact or communication between me and my grandchild. Although the child who was the light of my life in her first 4 years and heartbreakingly, she lives just 5 minutes

away from me, I have not seen or hugged her in 8 years. The malicious father exerts 'parental alienation' over myself and my grandchild since she was 4y old and intends to alienate the child from me until she is 18. How do I/we heal from his abuse of power?

**Elder abuse** is a lonely and devastating experience. It's more than a bad family relationship- it's a deliberate slow, calculated destruction of my spirit. Lies, manipulation emotional and psychological abuse to break me down and crush me piece by piece. The worst part? Those who haven't experienced the devastating "loss of a living child" don't understand, leaving me feeling further isolated, and questioning my own sanity. But I am not crazy. I am not alone, and I will heal in 2030, or before if someone is willing to step in to stop this elder abuse including the perpetrators 'intensity of hatred' and 'desire to cause significant harm' from continuing at force unabated when the perpetrator of elder abuse loses 'power and control' by proxy before or after my granddaughter turns 18 and ages out of the failed family court system.

**How a father treats his child's mother and grandmother**-the biggest reflection is; "Abusers not only seek full custody, they also seek power, control and ownership of the women and children in their lives. They seek to gain financially with government benefits including child support". Power corrupts totally and absolute power corrupts absolutely.

**Grandmother alienation/elder abuse** Occurred when I was unreasonably denied having any type of contact with my grandchild at all including that her mother and other significant family members have restricted and limited contact with our child in a court-approved institutional setting where a visitation supervisor is hired (ensuring the certainty of corruption by authorities) where the supervisor takes notes to monitor everything the mother says to her child, so as to prevent any further discussions of abuse (this is still the status quo, 8 years after court orders were handed down in 2017) The mother is forced to pay in addition to child support a few hundred dollars per fortnightly 6 hour visit. The child's uncle CEO of [REDACTED] was allowed to visit with our child when he came from USA so long as he paid the \$160 cost of supervision to spend 2 hours with his niece. There is no structured government program to bankroll supervised visitation lest the government 'catch on' and see the outrage of such draconian set-ups in the first place, deeming the supervision of the mother and child to be nothing other than pointless and punitive. This scandal should cause public outrage.

**Children's Contact Centre Supervision Services (CCC)** are unregulated. They are a law unto themselves. They enable the father's abuse of power, and they have a groundless belief that the mother is still unsafe with her child and still deserves to be punished with supervision services for 14+ years until the child is 18. In 2030 the CCC will have earned a whopping 100.000K for supervising a mother who never should have lost her child in the first place because of the father's fabrication or hoax ensuring his DARVO crimes (Deny, Attack, Reverse Victim and offender) are forever concealed.

**When a child has been alienated from a grandparent like me because her father weaponizes the child against me to hurt me, what adverse effects will it have on the child growing up?**

Grandparents are a wonderful part of any family. My granddaughter and I were inseparable for the first 4 years of her life. To deny a child the experience of unconditional love and guidance from their grandparents is unthinkable. The father has robbed me of the privilege of being in my granddaughter's life. He's robbed his child of having her grandmother to encourage, inspire and appreciate her accomplishments. He has also robbed his own child of necessary maternal emotional love and care and spiritual development. He is not only hurting/abusing us, but also our entire maternal family. He doesn't care that he is deliberately hurting/abusing his child. In real life the maternal and paternal grandmothers hold a special place in the structure of the family. To make matters worse for the child, she has been cruelly robbed of a relationship with her loving maternal grandparents -sadly both of her paternal grandparents are already deceased. It is a travesty for my grandchild that her father chose for her loving mother and grandparents to be absent and uninvolved in her home life and her school life.

**Emotional Invalidation and distress experienced by the child and me.** My thoughts, feelings, emotions, wants and needs are invalidated by the elder abuser due to his own insecurities, lack of empathy, honesty, truth and desire for control. The elder abuser's emotional invalidation and manipulation is a pattern of his hostile behavior and not a reflection on my self-worth or what is in the paramount best interests of the child.

**I never knew what a narcissist was!** I didn't even know about 'gaslighting'. It is inconceivable that someone would refuse to take accountability then blame me for my reaction to his toxic deeds. It is unconscionable that he would get angry with me and come up with a series of lies and deceptions, so that he can deflect from his own vileness and label himself a victim to mislead- because I told the truth about his sins?

One of the most painful things a protective mother and grandmother can experience is losing a beloved (living)child. The next most excruciatingly painful thing a protective mother/grandmother experiences---- is your beloved child 'trauma bonding' and aligning herself with the person who harmed. And is still harming her. My grandchild echoes her abusers' words. She lies to her mother. She tells stories that aren't true on supervised visits. She pushes her mother away and protects the parent that holds her hostage and keeps her living in danger. This isn't love, this isn't loyalty. This is survival.

Alignment is a trauma response and it's how a child stays safe in an unsafe environment. Although she's the one who has been harmed and exploited, she is eager to win back his approval which allows him to continue to mistreat her and push boundaries. She has seen what happens when she pushes back. She has felt the punishment. She's learnt that silence and compliance is safer than truth, so she's adapted. She appeases her abusive parent. She has formed an intense attachment, known as the trauma bond, to become what the abuser needs her to be, not because

she doesn't love her mother or her grandmother but because her nervous system believes it is the only way she is able to stay safe.

Please help me right the horrendous wrongs and the unjust collateral damage in this matter encompassing 'elder abuse'. I am a long-term victim of unchecked judicial misconduct, modern slavery' coercive control including 'undue elder abuse' - where it is the abusive father's intent to destroy and harm me, with judicial impunity. There needs to be transparency and accountability around this type of never-ending dark personality elder abuse. The high functioning, cluster B, dark personality perpetrator motivated by power and control harms me and my family in the most insidious of ways. He must be held to account. The public needs to know about this scandal of all scandals.

**Overview of the umbrella term- "modern slavery"** which encompasses serious exploitation in Australia including human trafficking (to exploit) slavery (the ownership of one person by another) servitude (a state of forced labor or bondage) and forced labor (making people work under threats or against their will) all of which are applicable to my granddaughter, my daughter and me. I am a victim of elder abuse encompassing modern slavery, which is in gross violation of my inalienable human rights. It has to Stop

**My elder abuse experience re: being targeted by a dark personality who's currently devastating and destroying me,** he targets kind, loving, empathic, honest people like me and then gets on with his dark dishonest and abusive life. He manipulates lies, harms and disadvantages me, because by conscious choice he thoroughly enjoys it. He has done and still does and counting, unimaginable pain and damage on me and my maternal family members. He's fascinated by playing with other people's pain, he gets enormous satisfaction from controlling, provoking, manipulating and playing with people's heads. He's not motivated by affinity, honesty, truth or love, these types of controlling behaviors are what this 'high level' dark personality disordered person does best. And he loves to engage others to support him. He does all in his power to avoid being exposed. He weaponized the justice system to keep control. His child is his scapegoat and 'hostage'. He engages in horrific abuse to control my grandchild, and he also engages in extraordinary alienation, isolation and abuse to control his child, her mother and myself. It is extremely hard for me to get past all of his insidious abuse.

My submission is the voice of an elderly abused person with on-going horrific long-term lived experience that needs to be heard in the Legislative Assembly's agreed motion to inquire into and report on Elder Abuse in Queensland, which must also encompass, transparency, accountability, punishment, community awareness and protection for me from torture and cruel inhuman and/or degrading treatment including protecting and ensuring my inherent inalienable rights, absolute freedoms and inviolable liberties .

Sincerely

