

## NON- PRESENTING SUBMISSION#27

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I was injured in a mining accident in 1997 a flynt pump slid over my thumb while I was holding the entire weight on a bar. My life has never been the same. I went to hospital and x-rays were taken by Dr.XX of Pine Falls. He showed me the fractures and a cast was applied. I went on light duty 12x12 trailer doing four walls 12 hours a day. My hand was very swollen I had to get the cast cut off at the Pan Am clinic. A fast x-ray misdiagnosis was the order of the day miss read only soft tissue injury. The swelling continued and the mine closed a month later. My hand was still such a mess I applied for WCB and was told that for economic reasons I'm not entitled to compensation. Months later we're waiting for x rays and they showed a fracture. What happened to x-rays no one knows but we've got WCB doctors stating soft tissue injury, sprain wrist, any thing but a fracture. I've been hurt in mines before and it's greatly frowned upon by the employers. That's when WCB's stress and duress campaign got underway. I believe WCB knew then that my injury was permanent. After 100 years in the business they know after two courses of physiotherapy the damage is enduring. I was sent to a Mr.DD where I was greeted very coldly with hostility. These people would make appointments and then when I arrived they would postpone it by hours. A medical person, B.M.R.P.TT., gave me a functional capacity test which she disallowed saying that we would do the test over again but we never did. Going over the medical person's notes she hand writes "KK does not want acupuncture". Later on in typed report she states that I am requesting acupuncture. A short time later, after a pain management test consisting of 678 questions. Hours later WCB declared me fit for work. I was told that it was all in my head and not my hand. I was healed by the stroke of a pen. There is a nerve conduction study that said I was fine. But I knew that something was wrong so I went back after I was examined by the pain management unit of WCB to get another examination at the same place with the same machine by the same guy but without WCB supervision. But I've got Carpel Tunnel (nerve damage) now so I took these test results to WCB and they said that I must have hurt myself in-between tests. I went to Manitoba Justice saying that WCB's test was a forgery. I was told to go to the Labor Board but I wanted justice because of the forged test results but they sent me to the Labor Board anyway. I showed the Labor Board both tests but they were not concerned. Two days later

Child and Family Services interviewed three of my five sons at school. I dropped my inquiry. I eventually find a job that I think I can manage, directing a crane and light work at shaft Collor. The job was finished in one month and my hand gave me a lot of problems. I got a job in Thompson on the scissor lift and after only three weeks I was hurt again as a result of my injured hand. I was directed to see my family physician by the ER doctor because I could barely walk. I seen Dr. T who referred me to Dr. S. Dr. S he told me that I would be healed in two weeks but I was there four or five weeks. He filled my calf with acupuncture needles until blood streamed down my leg. Dr. S said that it would work itself out after a couple of weeks in the mine and that was all he could do. I still needed two feet to drive a car because I could not press down on gas with my damaged leg. I had a job last summer in Marathon Ontario making 40 dollars a hour. However, this job lasted only three days because I lost all feeling from my elbow down. Upon a second visit to Dr. T I was diagnosed with the following: right calf post traumatic myalgia, right calf hematoma and right perennial nerve neuralgia. In conclusion I would like to state that my right hand is now irreparably crippled and causes me constant pain and discomfort and also that as a result of my chronic leg injury I am virtually handicapped. Both my family and I feel the effects of these work-related injuries.

Signed