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My FATHER'S Will.

DEAR SIR,

I would like to tell you ABOUT MY SELF, I AM PAULINA HENWOOD (Nicoloff) THERE ARE 3 WAY OF SPELLING (Nicholoff or Nickloff.) I WAS BORN IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY WITH IN THE Litchfield Park which what IS KNOWN TO DAY AT A PLACE CALLED BAMBOO CASEK WHICH IS NOW A HERITAGE LISTING. MY FATHER, MOTHER, AUNTY, UNCLE AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBER WORKED AND DIED THERE AND ARE BURIED THERE IN OUR MARRANQUA BURIED GROUNDS MY FATHER WAS A MINER HE AND MY MOTHER WERE MARRIED IN THE LATE 40'S OR EARLY 40'S TOM NICOLOFF HAD 3 PARTNERS CHARLIE STEAD, RONALD CHAPMAN & SELF WITH IN 40'S OR EARLY 40'S WHICH THEY MINED WITH THERE WIFE'S AND OTHER MEMBER OF THE TRAVIS FAMILY. THE POLICY OF THE COMMONWEALTH WAS THAT IF MY FATHER OR ANY EUROPEAN EMPLOYED A NATIVE OR ABORIGINAL THEY WERE ONLY PAID FOOD RATIONS. TOP MILK, FLOUR, SUGAR AND TOBACCO AND TOP UP WITH ONLY A FEW CHILLING A WEEK OR DAY. MY MOTHER WORK HARD IN THE TUNNELL WITH A JACK HAMMER AND SHOVEL AND DICK - ALL SO MAYTANIE A NEG PITCH AND LOOK AFTER HER CHILDREN AND ALSO MILKED THE GOATS, DURING THE WAR MY MOTHER BILLWICK AND UNCLE FRED WATER AND AUNTY PAULINA HUNTER FOR FOOD TO FEED THE FAMILY. MY UNCLE FRED WATER WORKED FOR THE AIR FORCE TO RELOCATE AIR PLANE THAT CRASHED WITH IN THE AREA. AND WAS NOT PAID, WHEN MY DAD GOT SICK HE NEW THEY WERE GOING TO BE HARD. HE MADE A WILL WHICH WAS LEFT WITH VEET'S PEOPLE NAMELY FRANK MOY AND DIRECTOR OF MY ST AND THE DIRECTOR OF NATIVE AFFAIRS. WE MY BROTHERS AND SISTER WAS SENT TO CROKER ISLAND WHICH WAS A METHODIST OVER SEA MISSION. WHILE I WAS IN THERE CARE AT THE AGE OF 12.13 I HAD A BITE ON MY ARM WHICH I DID NOT HAVE TREATMENT. I WAS IN HOSPITAL OVER 5 YEAR. AND WAS NOT COMPENSATIONED. I TRIED ASKING FOR HELP FROM THE CHURCH AND GOVERNMENT. BUT WAS REFUSED. (IN CLUDING ABORIGINAL LEAGUE AND AND AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE OFE AND NORTH LAND COUNCIL. AND WAS REFUSED. MY UNCLE FRANK FRANKLIN PAID MY FARE TO IDOLAD. HAS AN EXTENSION DONE ON MY ARM. AFTER A FEW YEAR I CAME BACK TO DARWIN IN 1970 TO SEE MY MOTHER AND OTHER BROTHER FAMILY AND TO PURSUE MY INTEREST IN MY FATHER. MOTHER MINE THERE WAS LAND CHAMBERS, LAND RIGHT ACT. WHICH MINOR INTEREST PASTORAL LEASURES

IT WAS ALL SO HARD AS I WAS NOT USE IT. I HAD TO READ
UP ON ALL THE ACT SO I COULD EXPLAIN EVERY THING TO MY
MOTHER AND FAMILY, BUT IT BECAME EVEN HARDER BECAUSE OF
LANGUAGE BARRIERS.

MONEY - ~~It~~ IN 1970 1971 MY TWO BROTHERS AND MY SELF
WERE GIVEN SOME MONEY WHICH WAS IN A SAVING ACCOUNT
COMMONWEALTH \$995 EACH. I HAVE RETAINED BANK BOOK
AND DOCUMENT WITH SHOW A.B.T.T Aboriginal Benefit Trust ALL
AND INVESTMENT, \$6,000 IN VESTED ~~IT~~ ^{\$50M} FEDERAL TREASURY AND
IF I FOUND OUT ABOUT IT. I COULD APPLY TO CONSOLIDATED
REVERN FUNDS
AND COMMONWEALTH BONDS. AND LAND TRUST. I WENT TO
A.B.T.T AND ASKED ABOUT HOW CAN I APPLY BACK
FOR MY MONEY MICHAEL LANE HAD ADVISE ME TO
SEE A LAWYER. SO I HAVE Ref (9) I THINK GOVERNMENT
~~WERE~~ SHOULD ~~have~~ pay BACK MISSING MONEY COMPENSATION
WHO SUFFERED. PHYSICALLY AND FINANCIALLY UNDER PROTECTION LAWS.

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MY MOTHER WAS NOT PAYED A WIDOWS PENSION. AFTER MY
FATHER DIED. 1950. AND TO THIS VERY DAY I KNOW I AM
STILL RESTRICTED TO THE LAWS OF YESTERYEARS. WE THE MOROONOGU
PEOPLE HAVE TITLE BACK TO SOME OF OUR TRIBAL LAND AND STILL
HAVING TROUBLE TO EXERCISE OUR RIGHTS. TO OPERATE A COMMERCIAL BUSINESS
~~BECAUSE~~ BECAUSE OF N.L.C AND LAND RIGHTS ACT. I HAVE WAITED 32 YEARS
TO THIS VERY DAY TO GET MY MINE LEASE AND ELA GRANTED ON LAND
THAT IS GRANTED BACK TO US. BECAUSE OF TWO LAWS

as word of STATE Government ^{have} still Record of the people that
Grow up with in the umbrella of the Commonwealth.

Pauline Henwood