

Legal and Constitutional References [Senate] Committee:

Inquiry into Indigenous Workers Whose Paid Labour Was Controlled by Government [Stolen Wages]
http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/legcon_ctte/stolen_wages/index.htm

On 13 June 2006, the Senate referred the above inquiry to the Senate Legal and Constitutional References Committee for inquiry and report by 7 December 2006. Submissions are being called for by 28 ~~July~~ ^{Sept} 2006. Please note:

- submissions may be as short or as long as you like and may contain facts, opinions, arguments or recommendations.
- submissions may cover all the points in the terms of reference or only some of them, depending on what interests you.
- more pages and/or supporting documents may be attached.
- all submissions are considered regardless of their format or medium.
- submissions must not be disclosed to any other person until they are released by the committee.
- if you want your submission to be kept confidential please mark clearly and you must say why.
- don't forget to sign your submission.
- if you make a submission the committee may invite you to give evidence at a public hearing.

If you require further information please contact the secretariat on (02) 6277 3560 or leave a message with ANTAR National on (02) 9555 6138. Don't forget the deadline for written submissions is 28 ~~July~~ ^{Sept} 2006!

September

Submission to the Legal and Constitutional References [Senate] Committee:

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Name: SUSANNA PRITCHARD

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My/Our Submission:

Even from my limited reading I have come to understand that Indigenous people have been very badly treated in Australia. Having their wages stolen is only one aspect of their shabby treatment.

I feel very strongly that Indigenous workers should be compensated for what they have lost and, surely, over the years since this happened, the amounts owing to them have increased. Offering \$2000 is an insult.

When Indigenous workers are paid the correct amounts owed to them, they should also be given access to legal and financial assistance. If they have never handled large amounts of money, they will need assistance to, for example, buy a house or set up a business or a trust fund. Also to protect them from unscrupulous people in the community.

Signature(s):

S. Pritchard

you can use your own paper - or add more pages

RETURN THIS FORM TO: Committee Secretary, Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee
Department of the Senate, PO Box 6100, Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600
OR Fax: 02 6277 5794 OR Email: legcon.sen@aph.gov.au

This form was developed by Australians for Native Title & Reconciliation (ANTAR) Qld in consultation with the Stolen Wages Campaign Working Group to assist community people and interested members of the public to lodge a submission to the Inquiry. For more information about ANTAR Qld and the Stolen Wages campaign see <http://www.antarqld.org.au>

Please send in by end of September. 06

