


Statutory Declaration

I, Qourt, Johnny, Cape Dorset, Nunavut (currently in CFF penitentiary), 1971-05-30
(Name, first name, adress, birth date)

I do solemnly declare that,


I solemnly declare, meeting with Marie-Hélène Francoeur-Malouin, investigation agent from the Viens Commission, in CFF penitentiary (6099), on April 6, 2018.

I want to speak about situations that lived through the justice system. It's the justice that got me in here. If I knew the system, I would have fought the system. I wouldn't be here if I had the right knowledge.

I got arrested at the Native Friendship Center, in Montreal. In July 18, 2016. My lawyer was 

Q1: So how did it goes with this attorney?

A1: He tried to cooperate with me, until another inmate told me that lawyer 1 was a bad lawyer. I don't have money to help me out. If I had the money, he probably would have gotten me out. He was my lawyer for a good one month. I tried to fire him after, between August and January. I was trying to tell him that I wanted another lawyer that would help me more than him. But from there, he never gave my file to another lawyer, to lawyer 2 . When I went to Court, I tried to tell the judge that I wanted to fire lawyer 1 but the judge told me that I could deal with this after.

One week-end, he would come to see me in jail and I asked him again: "why don't you give my file to lawyer 2 so he could be my lawyer?" So I received my sentence with lawyer 1 as my attorney. Now, I'm here for my charges for 2 years and 2 months. I called  2 times, to ask him to give my file to lawyer 2 , which he never did.

Declarer signature _____

Declared before me, _____

at _____ on _____

Q2: You told me that lawyer 1 wasn't really explaining to you what was going on?

A2: Yeah. When we were in the Court room. If I would have understand more about the laws, the court room system, he could have help me to understand. I would have fight the case. When I didn't understand, I was like:"ok I'll just go with my sentence".

Q3: You said before that he told you to plaid guilty?

A3: Yes. He told me to plaid guilty, to get over with my time.

Q4: Did he explained why it was better to plaid guilty?

A4: If I could have understand what would happen, and If I could have ask him to help me, for the crime that I did to my ex-girlfriend.

Q5: Do you feel that you were a white person, he would have help you more, explain more about the process?

A5: Yeah. He could have told me own the laws works. Every time he was visiting, he was asking me about what happened.

Q6: Do you think treated you differently because you are an Inuk?

A6: No, I don't have money, that's the problem. If I had money, I wouldn't be here probably.

Q7: In Court, did lawyer 1 ever asked for an interpreter?

A7: No

Hopefully, I would be able to appeal this case.

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Enquêteur

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Déclarant