Firstly my understanding of independent is IE (not influenced or controlled in any way by other people) so I find it most alarming that the Chair of the review, Ms Roberton had taken the time to discuss the independent review (the Roberton Review) with lawyers at the Royal Faculty of Procurators in Glasgow in February 2019.

The panel consisted of report author Esther Roberton; Scottish Legal Complaints Commission chief executive Neil Stevenson; former Law Society of Scotland president Christine McLintock; and Roddy Dunlop QC. It was moderated by Professor Donald Nicolson OBE.

Several of our new team members (Victims Against injustice and corruption within the Scottish Legal Sector) has separately written to Ms Roberton asking for a meeting with her to discuss the problems we all had with the SLCC, not one of our team were granted an audience and I would suppose there were other members of the Public independent of our group wrote and were also refused a meeting.

The problems associated with the SLCC is well known to most MP and MSP due to the insurmountable complaints against them, that is the reason my petition lodged with the Scottish Parliament which is now joined with Mr Tait’s petition as they had a very similar issues has been held back until the outcome of this review and that submissions to our petition are not being put up on the Petitions web page.

The SLCC is of no help to victims of corrupt QC or members of the errant legal Fraternity they only ingather the information from victims against these people to Try to exonerate them. By not engaging with the people who had problems with The SLCC and taking time to look at the evidence we have does not make this review Worth the paper it is written on ..Would I be correct in believing this is akin to asking the Fox to review the report on the chicken coup.

Might I suggest that part of improving a legal system is to gain contributions from the Public where the legal systems and back ground structures has failed them and not Only failed them but the established structure precludes justifiable redress?

At this stage of the review there must still be an opportunity for some of our team and Members of the general public to meet the Scottish Government and offer our input and Review comment. If you want to know what is happening down the mine at the coal face Ask the miners not an academic on fossil fuel.

1 https://www.scottishlegal.com/article/lawyers-debate-roberton-review-in-glasgow
With respect I suggest that in the interest of Justice and Transparency without our input this report is impoverished and I trust that A meeting will be arranged soon.

I welcome most of the recommendations Contained in Ms Robertson report but had she taken the time to consult with the Victims a more robust approach could be taken and a truly independent committee Be put in place to deal with all these complaints which would not be self governing as I believe the SLCC and the faculty of advocates are.

Give the new committee real powers to deal with complaints unlike the Judicial Complaints Reviewer who Has no powers and reports back to Lord Carloway where there is no justice or transparency involved as the JCR does not have the final say or Allowed to administer justice on their findings.