

THE IPPERWASH PAPERS

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What we have heard is a small sample of the numerous acts of violence that occurred for years before 1995 when the OPP refused to uphold the 'Rule of Law'.

We heard how the Canadian Military fled Ipperwash in an Emergency pullout because of the serious violence that was occurring. We heard how the OPP abandoned the residents for the same reason.

We heard how average citizens were forced to live without any protection from the Canadian Military or the OPP. How could this happen in Canada?

In a Country as Great as Canada, how could those who were entrusted with the protection of the People allow a situation of such lawlessness? Each level of Government made it absolutely clear that it was the OPP who were to enforce the Law of this Province. It was and is the OPP who are entrusted with the safety of the People of Ontario.

What we heard today is that the OPP violated that Trust. The OPP willfully endangered the lives of each resident of Ipperwash by abandoning them for weeks during such heightened violence.

The willful abandonment of residents has been repeated in Caledonia where people living on 6th Line in Caledonia have not seen OPP protection for the past 10 months. We release today a video of a 14 year old girl who is crying out for OPP protection after living in fear for all these months.

The Ipperwash Inquiry didn't want to hear from the residents who were victims in Ipperwash. The Inquiry didn't want to hear from any resident who would speak about Native violence that had occurred for years.

Innocent people should not be sacrificed on the Altar of Political Correctness or Political Appeasement.

The Citizens of Ontario deserve better. What is the point of the Canadian Charter of Rights & Freedoms in guaranteeing people's Rights to 'security of person' if the Ontario Government and the OPP refuse to uphold the Laws of Canada? What value is there in a Charter of Rights when the voices of the People are silenced and they live in fear.

In the 3 years that Mr. McGuinty has been in office he has done nothing to end the victimization of innocent residents in Ipperwash. In my opinion the Ipperwash Inquiry is more about gaining political points against the Conservatives than about restoring Law & Order. The Inquiry is more about political appeasement than ending violence during Native Land Claims.

Mr. Fantino has failed to end Two Tier Justice in Ipperwash or Caledonia. It was the Ontario Provincial Police Association President Karl Walsh who first said that the OPP was policing Caledonia in a "Two Tier" manner. I assume Mr. Walsh was speaking as a direct result of reports from average OPP officers – the cop on the street.

Since that time many people have seen with their own eyes just how rampant OPP Two Tier Justice is in Caledonia and Ipperwash. Mr. Fantino has done nothing to end this unconstitutional practice and in my opinion the Inquiry has already made matters worse.

All Political Parties need to take a stand against the victimization of innocent people. The time for words are over and the time for action is now.

Just how many more innocent people must be victimized before Mr. Fantino ends Two Tier Justice? How many more children must cry out for OPP protection before Mr. McGuinty orders the OPP to uphold the Laws of this Country and to stop violating people's Constitutional Rights.

The People of Ontario deserve better, they deserve to live without fear, without being victimized while OPP stand by watching.

They deserve to be heard.

The Question is whether Mr. Fantino and Mr. McGuinty will continue with their political game or will they uphold the Constitution and the Law of this Great Country?

Thank you for your time.