

**Hello Iain,**

As we head into Christmas this revelation must come as some relief and vindication of the suspected relationship between the two bodies. When the bath water is getting too hot then the first to leave are those with the most to lose. The challenge that they both face is credibility. Even though the draw bridge is still up on the SCRO castle of defiance and keeping the truth concealed within its walls there is still an exodus going on that they can't stop. Human nature requires us all to have a conscience since it's the only way we can have an inner peace about who we are and what we are about. These Scottish men and women are finding out the hard way that loyalty to each other is often too high a price to pay when compared with the general respect of the community. Even criminals are loyal to each other and uphold their twisted code of behaviour but they will never be given general acceptance until they show a credible conscience. Let's hope that flowing from this event there will be a further little package of goodwill coming to Shirley and yourself so this festive season can be truly enjoyed.

**Regards,**

**MG Expert Australia**

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**Hi Shirley**

I just found your web site today, listed in the Sunday Herald, I'm ..... from Stewarton....well maybe a long long time ago.... any way I ..... have been watching your experiences with interest and support. You've been through a terrible time of it but there does seem to be some light at the end of the tunnel and although it may have been easier to bend the knee it's always much better but often a lot harder to stand up and fight for the truth.

**Best wishes**

**K Scotland**

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**Dear Sir**

If there is confusion as to the truth inferred by Alison Hannah( Nov 16) it has been caused by her and her profession who have re-educated us all to the fact that fingerprints introduced in evidence even by the words of experts are apparently no more than a matter of opinion.

Experts can and do make mistakes. In other walks of life genuine mistake is conceded and professional indemnity policies come good to those who have suffered loss and damage. Unfortunately where governments and civil servants and their trade union representatives are concerned they have a vested interest in refusing to admit failure or culpability. Whatever may be the truth of what has gone on to protect vested interests since Shirley McKie was cleared of perjury, and Bill Wallace conceded that she had suffered a grievous wrong and apologised, Shirley McKie herself has always told the truth and for that has indeed suffered grievously on behalf of all of us.

At the very least the so called fingerprint experts in this case had a bad day at the office and a mistake was made. There is no need to prove malice in any other walk of life to achieve compensation only human failure. By their continued obfuscation politicians and civil servants are themselves giving rise to suspicion of malice. Perhaps if they just paid reasonable compensation to Miss McKie with good grace that would be a sensible first step to restoring their integrity and that of our tarnished justice system.

Has this case been a good example to our young people of what can happen to you when you tell the truth?

Yours etc.

**TF Scotland**