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First, let me thank you for allowing me to share my experience dealing with the Registrar of Motor Vehicles with you. This has been a long emotionally and financially draining experience for me. I appreciate your time.

Due to our dealings with the Registrar's Office at the Registry of Motor Vehicles, it has become abundantly clear that changes need to be implemented to The Motor Vehicle Act. The Registrars office has, for some time, been abusing his authority by manipulating the wording of the legislation that allows him to revoke driving licenses.

In Nova Scotia, a person's only recourse after revocation is an appeal at the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia. This is an option not available to most people because of financial barriers. It is also not widely *known* that one may appeal to the court and the Registrar does not divulge this information freely. I have even spoken to lawyers who did not know the appeal process.

In Nova Scotia once your license has been revoked you are allowed a meeting with "The Board". They refer to it as a appeal. This board consists of the Registrar, the Deputy Registrar and the Chief Compliance Officer. These are the same three people who made the revocation decision in the first place. It is unconscionable to call this an appeal in a legal sense. It is simply a meeting to allow for reiteration of why one is guilty. One may "appeal" for leniency.

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I have not had a drivers license since December 08 2044. I have never been convicted of any offence that would result in the mandatory revocation of my drivers license. I have a clean drivers abstract. I do not have a license only because the Registrar chose to believe one person over me with no evidence to base his decision on.

I am pleased with the legislative amendments put forward by The Honourable John MacDonell. These changes will ensure all Nova Scotians have a fair and open process when it comes to dealing with driver's license revocations. They will also have access to an independent appeal process.

I am thankful that the Government of Nova Scotia has a true desire to implement changes to the MVA that would end this abuse. I feel it is also necessary to address the issue of past revocations. There must be put into place a mechanism by which past revocations, that were based solely on the discretion of the registrar, be reviewed in a timely fashion.

Thank you for your time

Sincerely,

Lee Wilbur