

To Anne Marie, Nicky, Irene and Sonja,

Since March last year when those vicious attacks were put on Facebook to Philip from Anne Marie, Sonja and Michael Pound, we have had discussions about them and it has been simmering all this time.

Now it is time to tell you some home truths.

Your father has kept every email, and scanned and kept every letter and card, you have ever sent him, dating from 1986, and we have read them all. Makes interesting reading.

I will first tell you that your father is in a fragile state and the stress of those messages did not help his condition.

I want to first start with Michael Pound and his libellous statements. Michael, it is easy to make reckless statements about a father and his daughters when you haven't experienced fatherhood yourself, and everything you have said is malicious hearsay. The person who told you all of this knew you were susceptible and sensitive to being deceived. The motives for deceiving you are very clear to us. There is only one truthful side to this story and maybe you should have spoken to Philip before condemning him. I noticed Nicky herself made no comment and I am sure she would not have said the things you did. Irene made no comment either. Nothing in the emails and letters over the past 25 years substantiates anything you said.

You also said Philip never gave his daughters anything, but I have seen the many emails and letters, pleading and begging him for money which he gave them. There was only one request from Nicky, which she got. There comes a time in life when you have to look after Number 1.

Yes, he did want support from them over the Rhodes inheritance, but he was definitely not using them in the way you suggested, it would have been a benefit to them all in the end. But it seems they have been told by *someone* that they will get nothing for their efforts, which is not true, hence the betrayal.

Nicky

There is an abusive email from you to your father accusing him of ('YOU HAVE BULLSHITTED TO THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE, TO THE GUARDIANSHIP BOARD, TO VANESSA, TO THE JUDGE, TO STELLA AND WORST OF ALL TO US') I would have thought, you of all people, being in the line of employment you are in, would have been able to recognise the fraud being carried out by the above people whom you chose to believe, rather than your father. We have all the evidence proving what they did. Where did your information come from?

From everything I have seen about George's estate and Erini Stiliano's estate, Philip has only tried to do the right and proper thing and keep everything lawful.

I have also read the hundreds of emails, sent from Gary over the years, and I think he must be a greedy, bitter and twisted man. Your comments about Philip *dumping* his daughters on Gary (*Gary's words*) is not true, he left them with their mother, in her house which she was renting from Gary, who eventually evicted them. I will not go into the reasons why, but the girls may remember. Gary mentioned in one of his emails of damage done to the house. Philip also provided substantial financial assistance for his wife and children, which I will mention below. Incidentally, Philip spent hundreds of hours, over many years working on horse racing software, developed specifically for Gary, for no financial gain.

Anne-Marie

You have agreed with everything Sonja had to say, as well as call your father an 'evil, greedy, bastard'. (*You would get top marks for your foul language*). You have a short memory to conveniently forget about all the loving emails, letters and cards you sent him over the years, and let's not forget all the begging and pleading ones for Money which he gave you, as well as other items. How could you berate your father like you did? I think you need to examine your conscience, and apologise to him. Maybe you have an ulterior motive and are trying to justify to yourself the reasons why.

Sonja

You wrote some pretty hurtful and untrue things about your father and I just wonder whom you got all that information from, as you would have only been a young girl. You would not have known that your father gave your mother half the funds received from the sale of the house in Keysborough, which should have lasted 2 to 3 years but it was depleted in a matter of weeks, there should not have been the need for you to steal food to live. He did give financially and was not left to Stella, Gary and your grandmother.

You painted such a bad picture of him as a father, I actually asked Stella if that was true, and she told me he was a loving and very good father. There is so much written information that Philip has kept it would be very hard for you to discredit him. I know about his marriages and his women friends, and the long hours he worked, when he could not get to Adelaide to see you as often as he wanted to.

Also there is nothing in your grandmothers will to say he was to give to you, but you all would have got a share if he got anything. He also told me he never said he would give you his share of George's estate, but that statement would have come from Gary. I saw the emails from Gary telling your father that is what he should do. What right has Gary got to tell him that? Another thing you mentioned was that Sara was not in your grandmothers will, but both Sara and Shamona are in the will.

Irene

I can't believe you never disagreed with the statements that were made about your father, and why you didn't give him some support. You know and I know now just how much he did for you and gave you. So many emails and letters from you, crying poor and pleading for money which he usually always gave you. I think if your father had kept on giving, you all would have taken, and he would have ended up with nothing. He does have a life to live, and should be able to live comfortably without the worries and stress over family, but it would be nice for him to have them in his life again.

Thankfully, my family of four, all in their forties, have made their own way in life and I haven't had the worries Philip has had.

I expect I will get a backlash of intolerance over this, but this is how I have seen it after reading the evidence. Your father may answer in his own way.

Regards to you all

Dorothy

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