From:
To: Stalking (DJCS)

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My name is Antoinette Lim, I was stalked for atleast 2 to 3 years of my life, I had no idea who it was, it stared with phone calls, that told me that he wanted to, .... me, I was at the time married with 3 young children.

The first thing we did was change our phone number and give it only to family.

My fear was, if he cant contact me, will he go further.

My husband contacted the police once I received the first phone call.

This was before stalking laws were introduce. Back around 30 years ago.

They told my husband that they can not do anything, unless he breaks in and hurts me.

That all they can do is occasionally drive past the house.

After changing the phone number, I then experienced him coming to the house, trying to break in after my husband went to work... this happened regularly, even though my husband would leave in the car, then walk back trying to catch him.

I awoke so many times with him at the front door and back trying to break in.

The only thing that saved me at the time was that we had just moved into a brand new Commission home, with total security doors and windows.

There were knife marks at windows that he tried to get into, plus my children woke up to him at their windows, him telling them to be quiet..

with his finger to his mouth.

After about a year of this happening and no help from the authorities,

We decided that we had to move, as there were occasions that we were so stressed out, that my husband thought I was the intruder, that he nearly hit me with a base ball bat, as I only went for a drink during the night...

After our children waking up in fear many times and to this day as adults they have been so badly effected.

We decided that we had to move away, so we moved an hour out of Melbourne to

Victoria, I got a job transfer, as I was a customer service manager with c



I found out about six months after moving, that he came into work asking where i was, the manager told him that I had moved away...he the told him, that he quits, and he walked out. I then started to get phone calls at work. With the std beep and silence on the phone.

On those occasions, I was followed home by a car.

At this time, I still did not know who it was, or that he had left his job.

I was in a country town. I would drive to 20 klm an hour, and so would the car behind me.

I would go through empty car parks, I would drive all around the town. And he was constantly behind me. My husband warned me, that he wants to know where I live, so be on watch if some one is following you. You have to understand that you may get one or two cars on the road, at 11 pm at night at that time. I would go every where, all around the town. With head lights following me, every turn I took, I would go so slowly around the corner to have a car constantly behind me... eventually we decided that we had to move state,

Before we left, I had the manager of my old store visit at my new job, he told me that for about a year, that the security doors would be unlocked and for about 2 hours the security system was turned off, which left him complexed

for ages, as no deliveries where due in and no staff member where leaving or arriving.. he then told me about a certain person who when found out I left work, just walked out..i then realised who the person was, by this time we had already decided we had to leave house was already sold..we decided we had to move away. But just before we left, there was a police man, who came into work regularly and I told him what had been going on for years. Stalking laws had just come in, he sent a officer to his home and told him that if he is seen in as he has no family or reason to be there, that he would be charged with stalking. I never had a problem after that, but we had already uprooted our lives and our childrens lives twice now and already sold our home, so we decided that we are still safer moving to don't think anyone who has not experienced stalking, actually understand the fear, the pain and suffering that you experience, let alone your partner and the fear your children experience. Something has to be done, I do believe if he broke in, I was not only raped but killed. The fear that we all experienced for years, you cant even comprehend, let alone explaining it to someone, my husband left me every morning, wondering if he comes home to me dead... to this day, I still suffer sleep problems and emotional issues. Both my daughter still suffer and bring it up constantly...even my son, could not sleep in his own bed for years..

Please do something, no one, no family should go through what we did...he broke my security door so many times, that the housing commission could not understand why the security door kept breaking down... something has to be done before innocent girls are left dead, like the poor girl on acurrent affairs tonight... please put these people in jail...do something to protect them, he hit on me so many times at work, I told him out straight, even yelling at him that I am not interested, I am married with children...leave me alone..but that did nothing... u have to inforce this stronger and protect innocent people, who do nothing to deserve this pain and suffering that effects so many people.. innocent children waking to a man trying to break in and hurt their mother... our family to this day, 30 years later are still suffering from this...please please make changes.

Thank you Antoinette Lim