

## Civil case against the State of Massachusetts

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Hi,

I don't know how to start this the "right" way. I've been documenting what's happened for years, across systems, across states, across people's lives and now it's all online, publicly available, permanent. Whether anyone responds or not, I'm not going away. There's no version of this where I stop pushing.

This isn't just about me. I've been through hell, but I made it out with enough clarity to tell the story. A lot of other disabled people haven't been that lucky. I've seen what happens when systems fail and no one listens. I've seen what happens when they do listen and choose silence anyway.

What follows is a breakdown of how **multiple institutions failed disabled adults and children** in Massachusetts. Not hypothetically. Not once. Repeatedly. And nothing changes if nobody calls it what it is: **neglect, discrimination, and abuse hiding behind bureaucracy**.

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### 1. Mental Health Access (Commonwealth Care Alliance)

I was denied access to a therapist while in mental health crisis. Commonwealth Care Alliance restricted me to an internal network of underpaid therapists and ignored multiple documented requests for better care. When I asked for help, I was dismissed or redirected to providers I couldn't work with. I self-harmed during this time, and no one followed up. The system was built to limit cost, not to provide care.

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### 2. Legal and Court System

During a recent court case, I was threatened with forced psychiatric evaluations after raising legitimate legal and ethical concerns about withheld evidence. The evaluation was used as a tool of intimidation. When I requested that it be recorded, I was told it was against policy. The test was then canceled, and my case was dismissed—after months of retaliation and harassment. This was not justice—it was coercion wrapped in procedure.

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### 3. Disability Reporting and Oversight Agencies

I've reported abuse many times—both within healthcare settings and personal relationships involving disabled adults. These reports were often dismissed, uninvestigated, or buried in bureaucracy. I've worked for agencies in both Massachusetts and Connecticut where abuse was visible and ignored. I've seen how the silence becomes policy.

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I've posted all of this publicly on my blog to ensure full transparency and to encourage others to come forward. If even one disabled person reads it and realizes they're not alone, then it was worth it.

<https://systemfailuresandlegalstruggles.blogspot.com/2025/06/legal-issues-and-contacts-index.html>

If this overlaps with your mission, I'd welcome your review and any next steps you can offer.

Thank you,  
Ricky Stebbins

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