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Q: My former neighbour admitted after longer time (when I was complaining to her that I was harassed in my workplace and basically "cast out"), that she couldn't find her wallet and in panic she called my employer in bad faith that I stole it. (Of course, they didn't tell me). My co-worker took an advantage of it and was trumpeting about me. The place it took was in retail store. When I asked my neighbour that she should clear my name in the store and police, she said arrogantly that she did mistake, so what! - she found her wallet there where she hid it - stuck between sofa mattresses. !Nobody stole it! Is it crime if somebody spreads rumours for propose to harm person and involving others in workplace etc? My neighbour also said, that my reputation will be damaged forever, even I was innocent.

A: You may wish to consult with a lawyer to determine if you have sufficient grounds to sue this individual for slander. The contact information for the Legal Services Society of BC is:
http://www.lss.bc.ca/legal_aid/legalAidOffices.asp.

LawLINE is a free phone service of the Legal Services Society (LSS) designed to help people who don't qualify for a legal aid lawyer to represent them. It provides brief information about print and website resources to help you resolve your legal problem, referrals to other services if LSS cannot help and legal advice.