## **Hudbay Lawsuits Back in Court in Toronto What Is Hudbay Minerals Hiding?**

- WHEN: Thursday, June 25th, 10am
- WHERE: Ontario Superior Court of Justice, 393 University Av, Toronto, Ontario 8th floor (check docket for room number)

**At Issue Before The Ontario Superior Court Of Justice:** As part of the evidence collecting, discovery phase of the precedent-setting Hudbay Minerals / CGN lawsuits (CGN is the Guatemalan Nickel Company, formerly owned by Hudbay Minerals), what categories of documents must Hudbay/CGN make available to the Mayan Q'eqchi' plaintiffs, as represented by Klippensteins Barristers and Solicitors.

In the period since the Ontario Superior Court of Justice agreed (July 2013) with the 13 Mayan Q'eqchi' plaintiffs that their lawsuits against Hudbay/CGN (for negligence causing murder, the gang-rapes of 11 women, and a shooting-paralyzing) can and should be heard in Canadian courts, Klippensteins has been trying to get Hudbay/CGN to provide any and all information pertinent to the lawsuits.

Hudbay's lawyers at Fasken Martineau have been pushing back hard, particularly with respect to sharing Hudbay/CGN documentation related to:

- Community relations between Hudbay Minerals, CGN & Skye Resources (purchased by Hudbay in 2008) and Mayan Q'eqchi' communities living on contested lands and territories in and around Hudbay's "Fenix" nickel mining operation in Guatemala (until Hudbay sold CGN to the Solway Group in 2011); and
- Hudbay Mineral's actual control over and involvement in the running of the nickel mining operation in Guatemala.

Firstly, what information is being hidden by Hudbay and CGN? Why do they not willingly share all information? Secondly, is Hudbay - with its hundreds of millions of dollars in cash assets – paying its Fasken Martineau lawyers significant amounts of money to fight and dispute each and every legal / procedural point, so as to try and wear down the impoverished Mayan Q'eqchi' plaintiffs and continually delay the actual trial?

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