Manufacturing Victims
Here is what readers are saying

This book is dynamite.

Dr. Elizabeth Loftus, Past President, American Psychological Society

Manufacturing Victims is a spirited and deeply principled critique of the inanities and abuses of contemporary psychology.

Theodore Roszak, historian and author, The Making of the Counter Culture

A devastating critique of the business of psychotherapy. This book will make a lot of people mad. I hope it makes them take a hard look at the sins of the profession.

Sam Keen, Former Editor of “Psychology Today”

“I won $5.8 million with a jury argument based on this book. It is inconceivable to me that any lawyer would try a psychiatric/psychological case without first reading this book.”

Skip Simpson, lawyer, Dallas, Texas

Here is what the media is saying about the book and its author

Tana Dineen….arguably the planets preeminent psychotherapy critic.

Denver Westword

Dr. Dineen’s scathing assessment of the industry should be required reading for anyone receiving therapy, as well as for those who earn their living in this field.

The Montreal Gazette

This gun is not for hire! Clinician slams the expert-witness racket.

L.A. Daily Journal

Renegade psychologist dukes it out with feeling folks.

San Diego Union-Tribune

Tana Dineen….the woman who put psychology on the couch

The Ottawa Citizen

Manufacturing Victims is a well-written, abrasive and timely polemic by a psychologist who argues that psychology has changed from a respectable academic discipline into an industry eager to sell its products, almost all of them of dubious value and many of them possibly harmful.

The Mail on Sunday (London)

About Tana Dineen

Dr. Tana Dineen is a licensed psychologist, holding a B.Sc (Hon.), M.A. and Ph.D. in Psychology. She is a Full Member of the American Psychological Association and the Canadian Psychological Association.

Early in her career, she became concerned that the personal beliefs of mental health “experts” could contaminate their work.

While maintaining this research interest, she taught psychology, worked as Treatment Director of a large psychiatric facility, served as a consulting and supervising psychologist for a number of community services and had a private psychotherapy practice in Toronto, Ontario.

In 1993, having become progressively more concerned about the role psychologists are playing in society she closed her clinical practice and moved to Victoria, B.C. where she researched and wrote the book “Manufacturing Victims: What the Psychology Industry is Doing to People.”

She views the book to be her apology for almost thirty years of “biting her lip” and has, since the first edition was released in 1996, been acknowledged as a credible and outspoken critic of her own profession.

Dr. Dineen has been an invited speaker at conferences of judges, lawyers, police officers, ethicists, criminologists, psychologists and philosophers. She has consulted on legal cases, written book chapters, and regularly contributes articles to major newspapers and magazines.
In her book Manufacturing Victims, (1996) Tana Dineen details how the victim industry has been fueled by psychotherapists and outlines the direct economic and professional benefits that psychotherapists derive from perpetuating the idea of victimology. Dineen articulates well the idea that therapists need patients, so they create disorders with which to label prospective customers.