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
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SEAN HOEY'S mother, Rita, insisted last night that her son really was innocent.

Speaking outside the court, she said: "I want the world to know that my son, Sean Hoey, is innocent. I want everyone to know that this is not a failure to bring those responsible to justice -- Sean is innocent."

She said the authorities, north and south of the border, had both conducted trials but it had been a single witch-hunt.

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
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"In both trials, police officers have been exposed as lying through their teeth to secure convictions at any cost."

Mrs Hoey, speaking after her son had slipped out of a back entrance of the court to be escorted away, supported the Omagh families' demands for a cross-border public inquiry.

She said: "I want to ask the question regarding the Omagh tragedy -- who has the most to fear from such an inquiry? And what are the authorities, north and south of the border, covering up?"

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