The Shadow Attorney General Jodeen Carney is a bit like a boxer who has missed her chance at the title, but continues throwing punches after the bell.

She's been left fighting her own shadow, the only blows she lands are on herself.

Her recent claims about the personnel files of two public servants are a perfect example of this predilection for self delusion.

Ms Carney has come out fighting claiming there's been a breach of the Information Act and the Public Sector Employment Management Act.

She goes on to claim:

"Lawyers for the public servants referred to the files being released as a 'breach of the law' and a 'reckless disregard for the law'. Jodeen Carney 06/07/04"

Yes they did say that, the only problem for Ms Carney was the court ruled against these same lawyers.

The court ruled the documents should be released – this was a court decision, not a Government decision.

So why is Ms Carney pushing this issue?

Well it may have something to do with her pervious life as a lawyer when she represented a person involved in this case.

Ms Carney said:

"I have never acted in any legal capacity, as Dr Toyne claims, for the two public servants whose files were released. I don't even know one of them."

The only problem for Ms Carney is that she was representing the plaintiff in the case – the wife of one of the public servant's whose personnel files were justly and legally sought in relation to the same matter."

If Ms Carney has nothing to hide – why did she fail to reveal her connection to this case when she first raised the issue at the Estimates Hearings?

The Shadow Attorney General has once again landed a knockout blow on herself while trying to land a punch on a political opponent.