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CHILD CUSTODY ARRANGEMENTS INQUIRY.

LET ME FIRST APPOINT YOUR PARTY ON THIS ISSUE AS AN ISSUE THAT IS A MESS OF HOSTILE EMOTIONS. I AM SURE THAT THERE IS RIGHT & WRONG ON BOTH SIDES WITH CUSTODY ARRANGEMENTS THAT DO NOT APPEAR TO BE FAIR.

IN MY OWN CASE, I HAVE A 12 YEAR OLD BOY WHO I HAVE NOT SEEN FOR 2 YEARS. I HAVE APPLIED TO BE GRANTED 3 TIMES. CUSTODY & CONTACT RIGHTS, HOWEVER EACH DECISION IS IGNORED & I END UP BACK IN COURT FIGHTING FOR ACCESS THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN GRANTED.

MY SOLICITOR ADVISED ME THAT I WAS BEATING MY HEAD AGAINST A BRICK WALL DUE TO THE LACK OF ACTION IN APPLYING A PENALTY AS DICTATED BY THE CUSTODIAN PARENT. HE TOLD ME THAT HEW FREE SOLICITORY (SUPPLIED BY LEGAL AID) WOULD CONTINUE TO APPEAL ANY DECISION ONE BY ONE INSTRUCTIONS. MY SOLICITOR WHO WAS NOT FREE ADVISED ME TO STOP SPENDING GOOD MONEY AFTER BAD & HOPE THAT THE SYSTEM WOULD BE STABILIZED SO AS PENALTIES WOULD BE APPLIED WHEN THE SORTS OF RUBBISH HAS BEEN PROMISED BY ONE OF THE PARENTS.

BY NOW YOU MAY THINK "LINDA WAS WITH THE FATHER", NOW LET ME SAY I AM A GOOD PERSON IN THE COMMUNITY WHO PAYS HIS EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF MAINTENANCE EACH MONTH & AT THIS STAGE COULD IT ON THE CHIN HOPE THAT ^{ONE} ~~SOME~~ POLITICAL PARTY WOULD HAVE THE GUM TO ASSIST THE NON-CUSTODIAN PARENT IN THEIR LIST TO SPEND QUALITY TIME WITH THEIR CHILD OR CHILDREN.

FOR TOO LONG THE CUSTODIAL PARENT IF THEY WISHED
HAVE USED THE CHILDREN AS Pawns IN AN ABUSIVE WAY
TO HARRASS THE NON CUSTODIAL ~~PARENT~~ PARENT & THE JUDICIAL
SYSTEM HAS BEEN TOO WEAK TO IMPOSE PENALTIES WHEN REQUIRED
THIS IS NOT TO SAY THAT THERE IS NOT SOME JUST
REASONS OUT THERE, WITH SOME PARENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED
TO SEE THEIR CHILDREN & OTHERS WHO CHOOSE NOT TO

I AM NOT ONE OF THESE PEOPLE, I LOVE MY CHILD
& WANT TO SPEND QUALITY TIME WITH THEM. I HAVE
WRITTEN TO MANY OF YOUR DEPARTMENT REGARDING THIS ISSUE & I
AM POSITELY REFUSED TO THE CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY, AND FRANKLY
DON'T GIVE A CONTINGENTIAL ABOUT FEELS SO LOW AS THEY ARE
COLLECTING THERE MONTHLY FORMULATED AMOUNT EVERYTHING IS ONLY
IN THEIR EYES.

WE HAVE LOST TOO MANY CHILDREN AS A RESULT OF
CUSTODIAL ISSUES & NO ONE LET ALONE ME CONDOLES THAT TYPE
OF ACTION. HOWEVER EMOTION & PAIN BROUGHT ABOUT BY
THE SYSTEM, CHILD SUPPORT DEPT & INACTIVITY BY OUTRAGED
FAMILY COURT JUDICIARY - CREATE AN ABNORMAL AMOUNT OF PAIN
& UNLESS YOU HAVE BEEN THERE IT IS NOT THAT HARD TO
AT LEAST SEE WHY SOME OF THE NON CUSTODIAL PARENTS BREAK.
LET ME REITERATE I DON'T AGREE OR CONDOLE IT BUT IT IS
A HORRIBLE REALITY OF LIFE BROUGHT ABOUT BY AN UNREPAIRABLE
SYSTEM.

WHEN TWO PARTIES SEPARATE OR DIVORCE & IT IS A AMILIA
SPLIT THE SYSTEM WORKS PERFECTLY BECAUSE THE SYSTEM IS
UNIVERSALLY VISIONED THAT LAW IS THE SAME EVERYWHERE. WELL
LET ME SAY IT IS NOT & THIS IS THE OUTCOME THAT
YOUR COMMISSION HAS TO ADDRESS.

EACH PARENT HAS A RIGHT TO ACCESS OR VISIT AS I STATED PREVIOUSLY. YOUR COMMITTEE HAS TO REALIZE THAT FOR THOSE WHO FLAUNT THE LAWS PENALTIES MUST BE GIVEN CONCISELY & IMMEDIATELY TO MAINTAIN EXHAUSTIVE LIBERTY FOR THE CHILD OR CHILDREN INVOLVED.

THE FOLLOWING IS MY SOLUTION TO VISITATION & ACCESS ~~ARRANGEMENTS~~

- 1) DENIED ACCESS ^{NOV} "Genuine Cases": SUSPEND MAINTENANCE PAYMENT UNTIL PROOF IS OFFERED & PROVEN AGAINST THE UNSUITABLE NON-CUSTODIAN PARENT. I BELIEVE THIS WILL FIX & CLEAR UP SOME OF THE CURRENT COURT CASES THAT ARE BEING HEARD ON BASELESS GROUNDS. THIS WILL CLEAR THE COURTS TO DEAL WITH THE "Genuine Cases" THAT HAVE REAL SUBSTANCE TO THEM.
- 2) FIX THE FORMULA SO AS THE NON-CUSTODIAN PARENT CAN AT LEAST AFFORD TO BEGIN A NEW LIFE BY WAY OF DECREASING THE CAPED AMOUNT TO \$5000 - & NOT AT EIGHTY & THOUSAND!!! DECREASE THE CUSTODIAL PARENTAL AMOUNT FROM \$29000 - TO \$20000 - , THEY SHOULD HAVE TO WORK WHERE THEY CAN & NOT RELY ON GOVERNMENT HANDS ALL THE TIME.
- 3) ENSURE THE CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY ENFORCES ALL NOW PAYERS ALL THE SAME REST & REVENUE THEY PARTICIPATE WITH THE EASY TARGETS WIFE & SALARY EARNERS. TO RECOVER AHEADS. BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY ALL PARENTS MUST MEET THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES WITH THEIR CHILDREN.

I BELIEVE THAT I HAVE BEEN LET DOWN BY A SYSTEM THAT IS EASILY MANIPULATED BY A VINDICTIVE PARENT AGENCY SUPPORTED BY A OVERZEALOUS LEGAL SYSTEM THAT IS ONLY & REPPING ABLE TO APPEAL MANIPULATED DECISIONS.

YOUR MISSION OR CHARTER AS A POLITICAL PARTY OF SUBSTANCE IS TO FIND A SOLUTION THAT WHAT IT

MAY NOT BE PERFECT IT GIVES EACH PART AN OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE & SHARE IN THEIR CHILDREN'S GROWTH & LIVES.

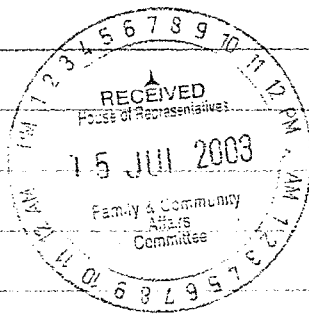
I WISH YOU WOULD ASK THAT YOU TALK TO REAL PEOPLE & DON'T GET SWAYED BY BOODIES WHO ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN PUSHING THEIR OWN POLITICAL AGENDA

THERE ARE A LOT OF GENUINE DADS & MUMS WHO ONLY WISH GOOD THINGS FOR THEIR CHILDREN, BUT WE NEED THIS COMMITTEE TO STAND UP & FIGHT FOR US & FIND ~~THE~~ PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS FOR ALL.

GOOD LUCK IN YOUR ENDEAVOURS

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