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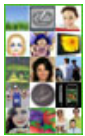
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We have to address some important issues which remain in limbo at this time. I am requesting the participation of all group members and participants in this movement.

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Our mutual effort to stop the destruction of families in the name of child protection is severely divided. I regret to announce that the time for 'fence sitting' has come to an end.

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On one side we have a highly passionate group of people who we will assume are well-intentioned. They possess a lot of energy and (if the evidence of their activities is any indication) a LOT of time to invest in pursuing their goals. They can develop direction and focus, which is critical to getting any job done right. They have clearly demonstrated an ability to finish a task. These are all highly credible attributes, depending on the direction they are expended.

However, they are also somewhat over-emotional, lacking the ability to allow their intellect to over-ride their passionate emotional response. This is a critical failing in an endeavor as critical as ours is. However necessary these passions are to fueling their drive, they present serious obstacles to credibility, ability and effectiveness. Consequently, their accomplishments :

- are not able to be duplicated by others
- are not able to be taught to others
- are inconsistant, in that they are frequently accidental or fortuitous - not attributable to any specific reason or strategy
- are few and far between

Another problem is that they tend to display poor judgement. Many times this is attributable to selfish or self-serving motives. In fact, some of them (IMHO) deserved to lose their children based on this inability to exercise appropriate judgement or put other interests before their own self-interests. That does not mean they deserved to be railroaded in the name of child protection. . .that is inappropriate no matter how bad their parenting skills were or were not. However, if given a case plan, some of the obviously failed to develop appropriate prioritizing of interests, which is still demonstrated by their conduct in this movement.

Most of us understand the need to place other interests over and above self-interests, depending on the circumstances. A few don't.

On the other side, we have an assembly of individuals who just focus on the job at hand. Because it is the right thing to do, even when it isn't the easy thing to do. They don't cater to personalities, shallow flattery or false alliances. They are independent, but not arrogant. They seek answers, never pretending to know all. They seek advice and guidance, but make their own decisions. They choose their own course, and ruthlessly discard anything that holds them back. They are constantly increasing their own knowledge through all available sources, and enhancing their skills to improve their practice. They disdain petty squabbles and ignorant fools. They recognize accomplishments in others and don't engage in false modesty. They display good judgment and tolerance for differences. Their primary motivation is changing the system and they recognize that failure is a part of succeeding. And they succeed more frequently than average. They give credit where credit is due, and do not stint on well-earned praise for another's accomplishments.

Recognizing that we all have something valuable to contribute to our mutual effort, it is with great reluctance that I make the following announcement:

I am taking my web site down within the next day or two. My services will no longer be available to laypeople, advocates or parents.

My husband has directed me to take this act. There are many reasons for his decision, most of which are related to the Shit Throwing Monkeys.

You see, I have made the following sacrifices in the effort to correct this most horrible wrong in our society, child protection:

1. I have incurred over \$50,000 in legal expenses directly related to my activism and activities promoting and protecting the Fundamental Human Right to Family Association. **Some of these legal expenses are a DIRECT result of STM activities directed against me including shutting down my Internet access, attempts to shut down my web site, fending off FALSE allegations to law enforcement, colluding with others who are suing me, conspiring to violate various federal laws and torts in their**

efforts to destroy me in this movement and more. (The STMs have been identified in the message archives in this group.)

2. I have incurred over \$75,000 in publication related expenses, associated with publishing all the information I have developed over the years for use by parents, professionals, and advocates/activists over the past 15 years. I have only recouped (I'm being extremely generous with this estimate) about 25% of these expenses through sales of that information.
3. I have incurred over \$23,000 in travel expenses related to presentations at seminars and CLE classes and to attending training to improve my skills in this practice. To date, I have been reimbursed or paid less than \$1,500 for these actual expenses, not to mention fees which I have never received for my presentations.
4. I have received less than \$5,000 in donations over the past 15 years to offset any of my expenses. I have made donations of cash, and other items of value to AFRA and individuals exceeding \$5,000 in value.
5. By my count, I am in the hole for over **\$121,500.00** for my efforts directed to Promoting and Protecting the Fundamental Human Right to Family Association.

I am not complaining about what it costs me. I clearly understood that this was part of the package associated with taking on this task.

This investment from me has bought all beneficiaries (INCLUDING the STMs) of this movement the following benefits:

1. Clearly defined, proven strategies for families to use in their cases to prevent removals, or to reunify more quickly and more frequently than the the state does which are utilized by virtually every group in this movement.
2. Establishment of the right of family members to seek the assistance of a trained family advocate in their cases, either statutorily through legislation or through the case plan.
3. Trained advocates, and certification to insure competence
4. Continuing Legal Education for attorneys who handle these cases, many of whom, once they take this course, will work with trained and certified advocates, thereby insuring effective assistance of counsel to parents and children.
5. Strategies to **enforce** Reasonable Efforts mandates and Appropriate case plans.
6. Irrefutable documentation tactics which have resulted in more denials of Terminations of Parental Rights and more cases being overturned on appeal.
7. Implementation of quality assurance in this practice to protect victim families and insure that attorneys can trust the advocate they work with.

In all honesty, I cannot think of a single systemic original improvement anyone else has contributed to this movement, but I may be wrong and am willing to be corrected in this regard. I WANTED to be able to make a difference, and in retrospect, it appears I have provided good information which people have put to good use in their own ways. This is an excellent thing.

During the past year I have been attempting a controlled experiment to see who, if anyone else could do what I have done.

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My web site was set up with very limited access and fees to obtain copies of the documents. During this time, NOBODY has published ANYTHING new or improved AND accurate to pick up where my free access information left off. **I wanted to give all the naysayers a chance to prove their claims.** . . .that I didn't create and publish original strategies, that anybody could do what I claim to have done. Well, NOBODY did it. Not Renee Cygan, not Bill Tower or Dennis Hinger, not the Dutkiewicz's, not Cherri Webb, not Billy Wiseman. . .not anyone who says **anybody** could devise and publish what I devised and published. I was right and they were wrong. **Nothing new has been published or disseminated during the time that I limited access to my web site.**

Due to the ongoing STM attacks, I have not been able to continue publishing new information - my time is taken up with defending myself. I am very far behind where I wanted to be. I had hoped I was making worthwhile contributions to this mutual effort. However, due to the increasing attacks by the STMs against me, and the lack of support from most everyone else, my husband has said enough is enough.

I have stood alone while the STMs take their hits against me, and while they expand their hits to anyone who stands up for me. **The only reason this works for them is the overwhelming refusal of participants to take sides, to publicly condemn them, to ostracize them from participation in your groups.**

So, since they have established that its either them or me, I will bow out and let them run this show. **If what I offer isn't important enough to everyone to inspire participants in this movement to take action when someone who calls themselves an ally takes hits at me and my associations, then why am I making the effort?** It would be the height of arrogance to insinuate myself where I am not wanted or needed.

So, I can only assume my work on behalf of our mutual effort is done, **unless I hear otherwise from the participants in this movement. Not just from the handful who have been outspoken against STM attacks, but from everyone.**





















The STMs have established the rules of engagement. . .it's them or me. **YOU choose - and if you choose inaction, you choose them.**

If the action taken by participants or groups is enough to send a firm message to the STMs that nobody will tolerate the kind of conduct they engage in, I will reinstate my web site without the continuing subscription requirements, more similar to the original accessibility. Until then, I have taken enough hits from pretended allies and my husband will **not permit me to continue in this effort without the express support of the beneficiaries of my work.**

Regards, Suzanne

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<p>Changes & decision time FOR WIDESPREAD PUBLICATION - originally published on the FAMILYRIGHTSADVOCACY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT YAHOO! GROUP. We have to address some important issues which...</p>	<p>Suzanne Shell suzanne.shell  </p>	<p>Jul 29, 2006 10:56 am</p>
<p>! Re: Changes & decision time Oh, Suzanne, I'm so sorry to see you leave. You have done such wonders!!! Misty Suzanne Shell <dsshell@...> wrote: FOR WIDESPREAD PUBLICATION -...</p>	<p>misty ray misty_plus_baby  </p>	<p>Jul 29, 2006 11:47 am</p>
<p>!- Re: Changes & decision time [X-(] In response to Suzanne's post: Well you people (and you know who you are) have accomplished what you have set out to do. Are you proud of yourselves?...</p>	<p>Corinne cemerwin  </p>	<p>Jul 29, 2006 12:52 pm</p>
<p>!- Re: Changes & decision time You said everything I as thinking, but usually don't say, Corrine, lol. I'm too dag-gone close-mouthed for my own good most of the time-gets me into trouble a...</p>	<p>misty ray misty_plus_baby  </p>	<p>Jul 29, 2006 5:12 pm</p>
<p>! Re: Changes & decision time Misty I completely understand your position. And you are probably as vulnerable as others are in this movement. I am sorry you have to keep your opinion to...</p>	<p>Corinne cemerwin  </p>	<p>Jul 29, 2006 5:40 pm</p>
<p>!- Re: Changes & decision time I hear ya Corrine, lol. Most of my staying quiet does date back to my childhood, living with a dissent-causing sister. I stayed most of the time away from...</p>	<p>misty ray misty_plus_baby  </p>	<p>Jul 29, 2006 7:56 pm</p>
<p>! Re: Changes & decision time I don't think that's the point, Misty. I interpret what Suzanne is saying is that her husband is sick of her being FALSELY attacked. There are many lies and...</p>	<p>KAY HENSON halacha77  </p>	<p>Jul 30, 2006 4:08 pm</p>
<p>!- Re: Changes & decision time I hear ya. I certainly won't be referring any of those who wrote such nasty stuff about Suzanne. Misty KAY HENSON <kayhenson@...> wrote: I don't...</p>	<p>misty ray misty_plus_baby  </p>	<p>Jul 30, 2006 4:19 pm</p>
<p>! Re: Changes & decision time Here's an example of what people should be doing. http://afra-missouri.tripod.com/id24.html I personally find it interesting that this is a totally separate...</p>	<p>KAY HENSON halacha77  </p>	<p>Jul 30, 2006 4:20 pm</p>
<p>!- Re: Changes & decision time Wow. Had a thought: maybe we should put a similar site to the one Billy has up, detailing all they have done? I think it would be appropriate to fight fire...</p>	<p>misty ray misty_plus_baby  </p>	<p>Jul 30, 2006 4:30 pm</p>

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⌚ ⌚ Re: Changes & decision time She doesn't HAVE to leave. Her husband has simply drawn the line...who are YOU standing with (not you, Corinne, collectively YOU). Who are YOU going to speak...	KAY HENSON halacha77  	Jul 30, 2006 4:36 pm
⌚ Re: Changes & decision time Kay, I have been speaking up lately myself-and we've seen that they don't like it, lol! Hence, the nasty little side-bar on Billy's site that Brenda is taking...	misty ray misty_plus_baby  	Jul 30, 2006 6:05 pm
⌚ ⌚ Re: Changes & decision time Listen. . . If the STMs want to tell lies about me on their little groups. . . especially things that are provable lies, then they will. That's not my issue...	Suzanne Shell suzanne.shell  	Jul 30, 2006 7:02 pm
⌚ Re: Changes & decision time I hear ya, Suzanne. I've heard from Biff Guenthen here in Indiana that he got alot of anti-Misty e-mails after what Tim and CJ pulled, so you're not alone...	misty ray misty_plus_baby  	Jul 30, 2006 7:55 pm
⌚ ⌚ Re: Changes & decision time Many of the legal documents have already been posted here on this group, Misty. There's been police reports, legal docs from court cases, etc. I've seen some...	KAY HENSON halacha77  	Jul 30, 2006 4:54 pm
⌚ Re: Changes & decision time Misty, That's the whole crux of the problem in my opinion. People are miscommunicating and misinterpreting everything. That's why this group was started...to...	KAY HENSON halacha77  	Jul 30, 2006 7:23 pm
⌚ Re: Changes & decision time Again, something that makes me suspicious of them- they don't want to work out the problems. Sounds more like what social workers do, doesn't it-create more...	misty ray misty_plus_baby  	Jul 30, 2006 7:48 pm
⌚ ⌚ Re: Changes & decision time And write fabrications in their reports, yes. Make things seem to be something they aren't. Yep. Kay Henson Director FRAI Florida, Certified Family Rights...	KAY HENSON halacha77  	Jul 30, 2006 7:59 pm
⌚ Re: Changes & decision time That's part of the reason I wonder if they aren't plants. Scary thought. Misty KAY HENSON <kayhenson@...> wrote: And write fabrications in their...	misty ray misty_plus_baby  	Jul 31, 2006 6:57 pm
⌚ ⌚ Re: Changes & decision time lol...Misty Even though we are all aware of the inept social worker...even THEY wouldn't have these whackos on board. The STM's aren't even trying to look...	Corinne cemerwin  	Jul 31, 2006 7:03 pm
⌚ Re: Changes & decision time I don't look at Billy's site. I wouldn't waste time at looking at a similar one either. To me it is juvenile. Who reads it any way? Although if people are...	mbabymilan kandy4justice  	Jul 30, 2006 9:10 pm
⌚ ⌚ Re: Changes & decision time Just FYI - this is the message where I stated my intention to bow out and let AFRA & Co take over. Check out the highlighted areas. . .it's not like they ...	Suzanne Shell suzanne.shell  	May 15, 2008 6:38 pm

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