

Promoting Responsible Fatherhood

PAS PKG

As we are all aware; the people that have the most influence, from a legal standpoint, concerning our children are clueless when it comes to Parental Alienation Syndrome.

These so called professionals; Guardian Ad Litem, Lawyers and Judges need to be educated.

In most cases these professionals have enabled the alienating parent to continue with the child abuse under the guise of ignorance.

The target parent, "you", has to become the "educator" in order to help your children out of the cycle of emotional abuse. To wait for the legal and medical community to realize the harm they have done in the past and continue to do today will not help your children.

As target parents we know all too well the emotional and psychological abuse that is going on. We are the ones that are left with the burden to prove PAS.

We have no choice but to become experts on PAS and guide these professionals.

I have put together a simple package called: Parental Alienation Syndrome. The package explains what PAS is, warning signs, case studies, a proactive positive approach to the situation and a bibliography of related literature.

The package has been kept to 25 pages and is easy, fast reading for anyone that needs a quick overview on PAS.

I have distributed this package to judges, lawyers and psychologists. The package was well received. One judge commented on its thoroughness and the need for this type of information in the legal community.

One section that I'm particularly fond of is the attention given to the G.A.L. and the influence this one person carries:

The time has come where the legal and medical professions need to unite, especially G.A.L.'s. G.A.L.'s need instruction in child psychology. No longer can one go strictly by the law of the land in dealing with children.

Those professionals that deal with the lives of children need to understand what their dealing with and not hand out sentences that will eventually lead the child down the path of emotional/psychological abuse. The best interests of the child are not necessarily what the child wants.

Most G.A.L.'s do not have psychology backgrounds. However; in dealing with PAS it is imperative for the child that both the G.A.L. and therapist are knowledgeable in PAS. Without a cognitive understanding by both parties of PAS the best interest of the child will not be met. What may look like two parents that can't get along could really be PAS and it is child abuse. To go unrecognized by either profession is a disservice to the child to say the least.

The State of Wisconsin is also concerned. On April 17, 1997 - The Wisconsin Supreme Court has adopted a rule requiring all G.A.L.'s to have at least six credit hours of training during the previous four years when handling cases for a minor in an action or proceeding under chapter 48, 767 or 938 of the statutes.

Wisconsin will become the first state to require that G.A.L.'s receive special training. This rule will commence in 1999 giving present G.A.L.'s a chance to acquire the credits.

I hope to see a specific course on Parental Alienation Syndrome mandated as one of the courses necessary for G.A.L. certification.

If you would like a copy of the PAS pkg to distribute to the legal and medical professional in your life, please go to the order information section of this web page.

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