

# Conduits to Child Sex-Trafficking

*Concomitant with Possession, Use, and Sale of Illegal Drugs, Affiliations with White Supremacist Neo-Nazi hate groups, and Illegal Possession of Firearms*

In the

## Active Drug Trade Hubs in the U.S.

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Re: Child-Sex Trafficking – abetted by drug-addicted, alcoholic fathers (who illegally possess firearms, affiliate with Neo-Nazi groups, and sell illegal drugs) and certain principals in the courts – in counties with the highest drug trade activity: New York County, Cook County, and San Diego County. (Also encompassing Contra Costa County, Washington County (MD), and Nassau County).

## Biographical:

I serve as the editor of three academic book series and as Editor-in-Chief of a peer-reviewed journal. I am also the editor of a comprehensive volume on forensic speaker recognition, listed above, which has been included in training material for FBI agents across the country. I have authored/edited 16 academic books; I am currently working under contract with *Oxford University Press* to write two books on criminal suppression of child abuse by institutions and public officials.

**The Office of Justice Programs** at the **US Department of Justice** posts on their website a peer-reviewed article I wrote on how local child protective service agencies, receiving *federal* grants to supplement state appropriations, engages in malicious prosecution of mothers who make credible reports of sexual abuse and removes their children to foster care: [Other Side of Child Neglect Charges: What Happens When There Are No Standard Criteria for Charging a Non-Offending Mother with Neglect? | Office of Justice Programs \(ojp.gov\)](#). A forthcoming Department of Justice multi-state study on the criminal suppression of sex abuse in closed communities will be citing material from a collection I edited that was published by Brandeis University Press, mentioned above.

In 1993, I assisted the Southern District of New York (AUSA Deborah Landis) in making tapes for their Grand Jury investigation into Pell Grant fraud. Under the direction of Ms. Landis and the FBI, I posed as an Orthodox school teacher applying for a job over the phone with the administrators of the Pell Grant program in the Hasidic community in Rockland County, New York. SDNY made tapes of my conversations with yeshiva administrators conducted in their offices.

In 1995, former Attorney General Janet F. Reno sent two of her deputies from the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (Patricia A. Toth and J. Robert Flores) to meet with me at the Eastern District of New York. Former EDNY Acting US Attorney Alan M. Vinegrad (who at that time was serving as Chief of Civil Rights) conducted the meeting at his office to follow up on his interest in pursuing an inquiry into certain family court judges and collaborating child welfare agencies who were delivering sexually abused children to foster care agencies wherein children were allegedly being used for child exploitation. State legislative aides were also present at the EDNY meeting as they had already conducted hearings into this issue and had built up an extensive hearing record of state agency whistle blowers who testified at their state legislative hearing on state agency cover ups of sexual abuse crimes and the possible purveyance of children for child exploitation.

The meeting with the CEOS attorneys, mentioned above, was in response to a memorandum to former United States Attorney General Janet F. Reno, where I served as the lead author together with Attorney Sherry A. Quirk (senior partner at the Verner Liipfert) and J. Randall Burton (former Harris County District Attorney). No investigation ensued because at that time the problem was still in its incipience and there were not enough witnesses. That situation has changed as the problem has now reached critical mass.

## Executive Summary

Attorneys practicing in family court have seen a rapid increase in the number of children sent into the sole custody of drug-abusing, alcoholic, violent and sexually abusive fathers, wherein mothers, who are mentally stable, gainfully employed, and free of any drug or alcohol abuse, are forbidden to see their children other than a few hours a week and under the strict supervision of court-contracting visitation centers/programs that are partially federally funded.<sup>1</sup> Something malevolent is incentivizing certain family court judges and collaborating law guardians and child protective services agencies to ferry so many abused children to their abusers – some of whom have died in the custody of the abusive parent as a result of either violence or severe neglect – where they show signs of being “groomed” for child erotica or child porn.

Many of the fathers obtaining sole custody of the children they abuse have arrest records for DUIs, drug possession and use, illegal possession of firearms (including semi-automatic rifles), inflicting bodily harm (on strangers and non family members), domestic violence, and disorderly conduct, among other charges. Many of the substance-abusing fathers also belong to white supremacist, Neo-Nazi hate groups or they closely associate with those that espouse Neo-Nazi views. In stark contrast, the mothers who are losing their children to abusive ex-spouses are free of drugs or alcohol abuse. They are middle class, educated women who are gainfully employed. They are mentally stable and productive members of society. They have depleted their life savings on lawyers and still cannot have their children because of an intractable judicial system that is energized by exogenous forces that point to a dangerous criminal enterprise.

This memorandum, whose material has been gleaned from reading court records and police reports, and from extensive interviews with the mothers of exploited children, is intended to show how in the most active drug-trade hubs in the country child-sex trafficking is methodically carried out by conduits: namely, violent, sexually abusive, drug-addicted, alcoholic fathers working in concert with certain men’s rights groups and with certain judges and agency officials. The children often show signs of grooming for child erotica; some have revealed repeated sexual molestation by groups of male adults, namely “strangers” who they do not recognize as friends of the family. The fathers, who have serious drug problems, are monetizing their children with the assistance of an organized drug-run child exploitation network.

My close study of this issue for almost forty years points to a mechanism that is energizing child-sex trafficking. The indicia point to the drug-trade industry behind child-trafficking operations, as evidenced by the inextricable ties that the cooperating biological fathers have with the drug-trade as avid users, and some as dealers, and their almost preternatural influence with certain judges that deliberately and repeatedly reward criminal behavior. Given that children are a valued commodity to drug-run criminal organizations, such children – especially those who have already been sexually abused by the biological

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<sup>1</sup>Though these visitation centers and programs are partially federally funded, the mothers must pay exorbitant fees to see their children. They pay an average of \$75-150 an hour, depending on the regional location, and must pay in addition hundreds of dollars a month to the visitation center for their administrative filings to the court. In every case the visitation center, receiving 100% of its business referrals from the court, suppresses recurrent evidence of sexual abuse as disclosed by the child, and equally suppresses evidence of the child being groomed for child erotic/pornography as displayed in the child’s behavior, statements, or appearance. Federally funded visitation programs that were set up to reestablish a relationship between a child and a violent father have been subverted by an enterprise whose purpose is to “keep a lid” on the child exploitation operation by suppressing any evidence of sordid activities disclosed by the child. At the same time, they are charging exorbitant fees to mothers who must pay “ransom” to see their children.

father and are eyed by child exploiters as “submissive” (as they have already been “broken in”<sup>2</sup>) – turn into easy prey upon the dissolution of the family structure during a divorce. Most tragically, drug-run child-sex trafficking has arrogated the once venerable family (and juvenile) court system, creating a pernicious and precarious environment for unsuspecting mothers and children.<sup>3</sup> Because of the known interweaving of child-sex trafficking with drug-trade operations, the conduits to child exploitation, as methodically described below, may serve as possible roadmaps to the arcane drug trafficking operations. I have chosen a few cases as examples, but there are tragically many more that follow the same fact pattern.

## Background

Earlier this year, WOMEN’s e-News published my editorial on the massive civil rights crisis facing mothers in the family courts today wherein **extortion, blackmail and threats**<sup>4</sup> have readily supplanted

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<sup>2</sup> In a high profile case that consumed years of investigation by various committees in the New York State Legislature, the suspect child welfare agency lawyer said haughtily to the mother’s counsel shortly before the child was seized from her home: “So what if [the child] goes into foster care, she’s already been sexually abused.” While in foster care the then six-year-old child complained bitterly to her school teacher that she couldn’t do her homework because she was forced to go on “appointments” every evening which the child described in lurid detail: being driven to the basement of an older man and forced to take off her clothes to pose for pictures. The child abhorred the violation of her dignity causing her to starve herself to a wasted, cachectic state that required a shunt to her heart and almost two months of hospitalization for intravenous feedings.

<sup>3</sup> The author of this memorandum was contacted two years ago by a recent law graduate from the University of Sao Paulo, who had learned of her work on family court. What was learned from those communications with this law graduate was that the very same modus operandi of children going into the sole custody of violent, substance-abusing, sexually abusive fathers and later to show indicia of child exploitation was found in Brazil on a regular basis. In fact, women were frequently jailed for up to a year when they urged the domestic courts to protect their children from sexual predation and harm. When considering that Brazil is plagued by drug trafficking and its concomitant criminal networks it is not surprising to find a usurpation of the Brazilian family courts by criminal enterprises that place vulnerable children at risk. Brazil has shown extreme callousness toward sexually abused children and is very harsh with mothers who they, as mentioned above, throw in jail in accordance with a fairly recent law that gives authority to the family court judge to incarcerate a mother up to a year if she is not believed by the court. Obviously, these are not mendacious cases as they all involve drug-addicted, alcoholic Brazilian fathers who possess illegal firearms and have histories of violence. That courts would serve, together with violent fathers, as conduits to child-sex trafficking is not surprising in a country where drug trafficking is prevalent. Similarly, in the active drug-trade hubs in the U.S. the same modus operandi of drug traffickers funneling children for child-sex trafficking would plausibly be found.

<sup>4</sup> In case after case, mothers are threatened with contempt of court (arrest and/or fine) or with an indefinite suspension of their visitation privileges if they try to adduce credible evidence of sexual abuse. Such evidence is corroborated by the child and by reports of medical and psychological experts. Moreover, mothers are blackmailed into withdrawing their appeals. They are sternly warned that the trial court will never lift the financially onerous costs of visitation-supervision if they refuse to withdraw their pending appeals of the judge’s unjust order. Mothers who acquiesce to such blackmail attempts find that once they withdraw their pending appeals the onerous visitation supervision is never lifted. For those mothers who do persevere with their appeals they often find that the state appellate courts have been woefully remiss in reversing these constitutionally defective cases; and on those rare occasions when they do (the reversal is usually on a very narrow technicality rather than on the custody decision), they send the case back to the trial court judge who refuses to recuse himself/herself and continues to deprive the mother of her due process rights to a fair trial. While the discrimination toward mothers in the courts is severe and draconian, BIPOC mothers suffer the compounded injury of denigration and

the trial process: [MOTHERS FACE CIVIL RIGHTS CRISIS IN THE FAMILY COURTS – UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MUST INVESTIGATE - Women's eNews \(womensenews.org\)](#).

My editorial, mentioned above, followed the tenor of a feature story published a few years ago in the *Washington Post* which reported on a *George Washington University Law School* study of 5,000 cases of custody disputes in which mothers who tried to seek help for their sexually abused children were losing custody to sexually abusive and violent ex-spouses/partners at “staggering rates” because of the toxic contamination of courts with inimical mental health theories castigating women as “liars.”<sup>5</sup>

Though many family court judges are honorable and are not engaged in what can be metaphorically labeled as “dark courts” (cf. “dark web”), the number of casualties remain high in that even a handful of bad actors – each carrying a substantial caseload – can destroy the lives of many mothers and children. Most importantly, in those areas in the country where the drug trade hubs are more robust there appear to be a higher per capita concentration of victims. All in all, alcoholic fathers who use, possess, and deal in drugs and who rape, sodomize and abuse their children are getting full custody of their children while the mothers are relegated to a few hours a week of supervised visitation. Fathers in this predicament, where they are dependent on illegal drugs to feed their habit, are prime targets for drug operatives who are likewise engaged in child exploitation.<sup>6</sup> In addition, since on a psychological level pedophiles derive secondary gain (viz., vicarious pleasure) from sharing their victim with other offenders, they are able to satisfy the demands of drug traffickers by making their child readily available to child exploitation networks.

One sees that good-faith attempts made by state legislatures to introduce new laws or amend existing ones to prevent children from being taken away from their mothers and thrown into the custody of the abusive parent where they often fall victim to child exploitation, or worse, have been in vain. The grip that the criminal enterprise has on the courts has created a steady flow of victims to child exploitation

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demoralization from frequent *ad hominem* attacks on their character and integrity. One BIPOC mother from Washington County (MD) felt compelled to subject herself to a polygraph just to prove she wasn’t lying about her young daughters’ pitiful disclosures of sexual abuse at the hands of a father who admitted to being “a heavy drinker” and to the use of marijuana. This BIPOC mother had served as a medical administrator for one of the largest radiology practices in the state of Maryland; she was responsible for making sure that mammograms were read properly and reports sent to the referring physician in a timely fashion. She held the hands of many women who came to the practice for a mammography. Sadly, she had to take a lie detector test to prove her innocence in trying to protect her young daughters from harm because in the family courts one is dehumanized on a regular basis regardless of their status in society.

<sup>5</sup> One of the New York child welfare agencies that was exposed at a state legislative hearing for suppressing sexual abuse and for being associated with a case where a child appeared to have been “groomed” for child erotica was the principal architect of a public relations campaign to propagate an insidious “trope” that women who raised sex abuse claims were using it as a custody weapon. The campaign of discrediting mothers made it onto the cover of *New York Magazine* and into the *New York Times*. One of the originators of the campaign was taken to task in the professional literature by their colleagues who saw the utter mendacity and falsehood of their statements. In fact, in most cases mothers had sole custody at the time they petitioned the courts to protect their children during visitation with the abusive father. The American Bar Association and many reputed mental health professionals have discredited this fallacy that mothers bring false charges of abuse to gain an edge in a custody proceeding. Yet in the corridors of justice bigotry, ignorance, and hatred for mothers thrives. Tragically, children have died in the custody of drug-addicted, alcoholic fathers. There are on the average 25 deaths of children per year in New York State, and hundreds across the country.

<sup>6</sup> We recently witnessed this parallel trend of drug trafficking concomitant with child-sex trafficking in the migrant child labor scandal wherein drug traffickers recruited Mexican minors for, in addition to child labor exploitation, child-sex exploitation itself.

networks. In so doing, the court records show that due process is routinely turned on its head in favor of heavy-handed tactics, namely extortion, blackmail and threats – the kind of behavior usually found in a crime syndicate.

The family courts' habitual delivery of children to pedophiles, substantiated by many different researchers in the medical, psychological, and legal fields, shows a pattern of iniquity that has never before been explained. Gender bias and misogyny while not to be underestimated cannot explain the intrepid assault on mothers in the family courts. Women are jailed if they are a day or two late with the child support payments. If they remarry and take off time to have more children they are threatened with contempt of court if they cannot make the child support payments even while going into labor. A woman who was starting to have a seizure in court and couldn't answer the judge's question was handcuffed and thrown into a jail cell where she rolled on the floor having a full-blown epileptic fit.

Another woman, about to have major heart surgery, called her children from her cell phone on a night she was not permitted to have calls with them. She begged her husband to allow her to speak with the children, explaining that she may not survive the surgery the next day and wanted the children to hear her voice. The father adamantly refused and the mother took the initiative to call the children on their own phones. The judge ordered her arrest for contempt of court as soon as she arrived home from the hospital. When the five police officers swarmed on her home and cuffed her hands and shackled her feet she went into cardiac arrest. They took her to the hospital but following the judge's order they handcuffed both hands to the bed and restrained her feet. She lay like a prisoner in the bed for three days.

One might ask, have we seen these kinds of brutalities toward women in modern times? No, we have not. This is a throwback to a time of yesteryear (Salem witch-hunts). But since we cannot bring the culture of the past to prevail in the present, this draconian behavior of judges is indeed anachronistic: it is drastically out of place in our era. How can it be explained since we cannot travel back in time? Upon analytic reflection one clearly sees that this kind of intrepid behavior of the American family court system is redolent of the ethos, or lack thereof, of horrendous drug operatives. Furthermore, when crime erodes a government, an institution, or a country the weakened structure is easy prey to drug lords who feast as jackals on the dying flesh of humanity. Ghettos have traditionally been targeted by drug operations because they are rife with social instability and weakness. Similarly, parents who are in the process of divorcing are vulnerable likewise because the family structure is weakened if not totally decimated. This weakened family structure opens the door to incursion by opportunistic pestilent forces, such as drug trade and child porn, that feed off of enfeebled familial systems.

That is, judges who routinely send children, in complete violation of due process, to drug-abusing, alcoholic, sexually abusive fathers – where they may die of violent acts or hapless neglect – evince the same calloused disregard for human life that one commonly sees in the drug trade industry. The suffering of children is not on their radar screen just as the suffering of those who are ravaged by deadly addictions is not of concern to those in the drug trade either. The children are used as pawns. They help furnish, perpetuate and support a child erotica and porn operation as well as the drug trade. Extreme efforts are made to prevent child witnesses from coming forward. Mothers desperate to protect their children are snuffed out of their lives as children go to the substance-abusing father and are turned bitterly against their mothers. The visitation contact between the child and the mother is restricted and monitored by the court appointed visitation center. The visitation supervisors appointed by judges caught up in this venal scheme help to keep the lid on the sordid child exploitation operations.

A canonical precept in criminology is that the various routes of crime will often converge. To wit, routes for child exploitation converge with routes for drug trafficking, as seen in the recent news stories on the migrant child labor scandal. As such, the drug trade serves as the transportation vehicle to ferry unsuspecting child victims to serve in child trafficking in addition to serving more directly for drug trade operations itself. For example, children may be used as couriers as well as “fronts” for drug operations. After all, who would suspect a father sitting with his young children at a diner to be dropping off and receiving small packages from drug couriers? Or, similarly, who would suspect a father living in a house with his young school-age children of drug activities? For that matter, even if one were to see a variety of people at various times coming over to the home of a man with custody of his children one could easily dismiss such events as part of the daily parenting routine: PTA activities, Little League, Scouts, piano lessons for the children, and so forth. In other words, the cabal of drug traffickers that might frequent a home would not likely raise neighbors’ suspicions if there are children in the house. In short, by giving custody, albeit undeservedly and for plainly nefarious reasons, to fathers engaged in the use of illegal drugs, the drug trade can seize an opportunity to continue its operations using the father’s custody as a convenient front.<sup>7</sup>

In short, courts located in areas where there are active drug trade hubs appear to be furnishing child victims to drug-abusing biological fathers on a frequent basis. In essence, judges who are venal may be instrumental in effectively *integrating* drug trafficking into the family (and juvenile) court system by allowing the flow of funds from drug operations to enter their coffers. If family court judges can facilitate the purveying of children for the drug trade industry (by giving sole custody to drug-abusing

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<sup>7</sup> In a case in Nassau County the court catering every step of the way to the alcoholic, cocaine-abusing father actually helped him hide his home address from the authorities. To wit, the father who the court knew had tested twice positive for cocaine and who had repeated arrests for DUIs and a separate arrest for disorderly conduct (specifically, urinating in a crowded public place while in an inebriated state) overtly lied to the court about his home address shortly before he was awarded custody of the children. In fact, he was contradicted by his own mother who subsequently took the stand. The court saw the contradiction in the home address given by the father (something that should have raised a red flag) but chose to ignore the father’s perjury. Instead, the court awarded custody of young children, ages five and six, to this father who had blatantly lied about where he lived. What was the father trying to hide? Even worse, the court became a participant in allowing the father to hide his home address while awarding custody to him. The father’s mendacity, permitted by the court, would soon prove to have serious consequences for the health and safety of these young children. What happened was that the children came to school one day showing restlessness and very poor attention. They had been hungry all night because the father in his perpetual drunken state couldn’t provide a meal nor could he fill the cupboards with any sustenance. However, the teacher was unable to send child protective services over to the father’s house because the father lied to the court about where he lived and lied to the school as well. The teacher was rendered powerless to help the children who were hungry and neglected living with an alcoholic, drug-abusing father. The only address on file in the court and at the school was the paternal grandmother’s home. When the child protective services arrived expecting to find the children there they were in for a surprise. The grandmother refused to give the address where her son and his children were living. Yet, the children were stirred up by the father and when they saw their mother for a supervised visit a few days later the first thing they said to her was “why did you send the social workers over to grandma?” As with prior incidents, the mother received a dressing down from the visitation supervisor, in consultation with the hostile attorney for the child, who admonished her that the judge would never lift the costly supervised visitation she had endured for over a year and, even worse, she might lose all visitation privileges altogether if she were to make any complaints about the father’s parenting abilities. So, the reprise in this case is that the children have to go hungry and the mother must suffer in silence.

fathers who are then forced to comply with child exploitation lest they risk being turned in to the authorities for their illegal possession of hard drugs), it will certainly earn them a nice under-the-table payoff from the drug cartel itself. Furthermore, with all the cash floating around in the drug-trade hubs, “dark courts” can provide a convenient place to launder this money.

The matters referred to in this memorandum are mostly current. Historical cases, though useful to show a pattern, have been deliberately kept out of this report so that the cases presented herein will fit comfortably within the statute of limitations and/or serve as “live” matters that might be useful to an undercover operation. The women whose husbands are suspected of working with drug operatives may be useful in providing a roadmap to some of the active drug trafficking in this country, particularly in the counties that comprise the largest drug trade hubs. The mothers of victimized and exploited children will cooperate fully with the Government.

### **Drug-Trade Hubs and Domestic Relations Courts – Point of Entry (San Diego case, below)**

The point of entry to drug trafficking/child trafficking abetted by the family (and juvenile) courts is the “men’s rights” groups. This paradigm is found in counties throughout the country. As shocking as this seems, the *Washington Post* earlier this year published a letter I co-wrote where they gave it the heading, “Infants are being penalized in the name of ‘men’s rights’”: [WashingtonPost.pdf](http://WashingtonPost.pdf) ([amyneustein.com](http://amyneustein.com))

Here I will give an example of how “men’s rights” and their influence over the courts has recently played out in **San Diego**, though the modus operandi is *generic* and not *sui generis* to southern California per se:

A San Diego father of nine-year-old fraternal twins (a boy and a girl) sought the help of his very close friend who is an ex-con and known as one of the most notorious drug-dealers in southern California, having served a prison sentence for selling contraband. The wife overheard many phone calls between her husband and his friend in which the friend continuously counseled him on how to seize custody of the children away from his wife. He was strongly advised to insist on a large amount of child support so as to, according to the wife, “obfuscate the source of drug income” in order to make his standard of living appear “legitimate.”

As part of this process of guiding his friend, the ex-con steered this San Diego father of the nine-year-old fraternal twins to a powerful men’s legal center, which is notorious for engaging in shady dealings rather than providing genuine support to good fathers who wish to participate in the healthy raising of their children. An examination of the legal documents prepared by the mother’s counsel show clearly rogue behavior and a blatant disregard for law and procedure. In fact, this San Diego men’s legal center had no qualms about employing a paralegal who was an ex-con, having recently served a multi-year sentence for **manslaughter** resulting from his uncontrollable road-rage. In fact, the paralegal was the principal point-of-contact for the mother and her attorney. The mother after depleting her life savings to pay legal fees for herself own representation was forced to have direct contact with the paralegal himself. He intimidated and frightened her to the point where she ran for her life, hiding out in a neighboring state. Another San Diego mother likewise is presently in hiding as a result of the terrorism and abuse she endured at the hands of the courts and their auxiliaries.



The hiring of an ex-con who served a sentence for manslaughter as a result of an uncontrollable temper begs the question as to why a men's legal center would allow the sensitivity of child custody matters to be handled by an ex-con, unless they were trying to appeal to a client base of fathers with extraordinarily questionable character?<sup>8</sup>

This San Diego father of twins who sought direction of his friend who served time for drug trafficking had a serious substance abuse history himself, admitting in deposition testimony to imbibing alcohol mixed with cocaine on an almost daily basis. In fact, when the father was arrested for assaulting his wife, the police wrote in their report that he was "in possession of cocaine" and then applied the relevant California state statute next to their entry in their report. Not surprisingly, with the men's legal center at this father's beck and call, the police ignored their own entry, and the matter was never brought to criminal court.

The comportment of this San Diego father raises a number of suspicions. He worked as an Uber driver; his wife described him as an "Uber driver on steroids." She explained how he would provide a voluminous amount of rides, racking up 30 rides in a 24 hour time span. Many of those rides were quite close to the Mexican border. He would flaunt to his wife "wads of cash" he received that far exceeded the cost of those Uber rides. He never allowed his wife to enter his car and was "almost paranoid" about it, according to his wife. In addition to the alleged drug-dealing activities, the father admitted in testimony to a "sex addiction" and to frequenting massage parlors known to be trafficking minors from across the border. He admitting to having relations at the unsavory massage parlor with girls as young as 13. He now has sole custody of a vulnerable nine-year-old girl and her male fraternal twin.<sup>9</sup>

The San Diego mother is a mentally stable, productive person, having worked for twelve years as a senior software engineer for a military contracting company. She fears that her nine-year-old twins, particularly the girl, who is now in the sole legal custody of the father (the mother has restricted supervised visitation of just a couple of hours a week), will be introduced to sexual exploitation because of the father's overt ties to the drug trade industry and his admitted sexual involvement with trafficked minors. Her pleas to the court have gone unanswered. As mentioned, above, she has run out of funds. She can no longer pay for counsel and has no money left to pay for supervised visitation with her children.

## **New York County Child-Sex Trafficking Nexus with Family Courts**

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<sup>8</sup> Good fathers indeed deserve better than to be affiliated with unscrupulous men's rights groups. As a matter of fact, one finds that good, caring fathers have on occasion approached mothers' groups – asking to join as members or be included in their support network – for they eschew men's rights groups, as they cannot excuse their underhanded and dastardly tactics.

<sup>9</sup> The same court in fact allowed, according to affidavits of two lawyers, a wheeler-dealer forensic accountant (with a penchant for knowing how to hide large sums of cash and for ferrying his associates on his private plane, equipped with his own airstrip and hanger – flying beneath the radar – and cavalierly entering Mexican airspace) to scam the courts by falsifying and forging documents to leave his ex-wife, who he beat up and caused a swollen black eye, utterly penurious. Lawyers who were aghast at these nefarious activities on the part of this forensic accountant have expressed in their declarations the shameless fraud perpetrated upon the courts, and are shocked at the utter complicity of the court system with these fraudsters.

An unsuspecting mother, a social worker who later became an actress, fell victim to an entrenched child-sex trafficking network<sup>10</sup> when her husband, an avid cocaine user, allegedly abused her then three-year-old girl.

The way this case unfolded was that a New York County mother, married to a cocaine-abusing man who has endured so many car crashes while driving under the influence that he has metal rods and plates throughout his entire body and a bullet in his head from a fight allegedly with another drug dealer, lost custody of her then three-year-old daughter who had disclosed to her play therapist that she had been sexually abused by the father. The child described to the therapist how her father would take off his clothes entirely and bathe with her, and then touch her in inappropriate places. The child was so traumatized that she developed a terrible fear of bathing. When the mother lost custody she was not permitted any visitation contact with her child for two years. Last year the mother was given supervised visitation at a court-contracting visitation center in Manhattan.

Ironically, the mother must endure the onerous expense of supervised visitation even though she did nothing wrong. The founder of this center is known to be a heavy user of cocaine and other street drugs, and had previously served as a department head in a child welfare agency that has long been suspected as a purveyor of children for child porn (*see* footnote 8). This is the same agency that supplied the attorney-for-the-child in this case, wherein the sex abuse evidence against the father is continually suppressed by the minor's counsel. The judge simply rubberstamps whatever the law guardian agency requests.

The father, an alcoholic and drug abuser and avid Neo-Nazi supporter, has, according to the grandmother, boasted that he received 200K (two hundred thousand dollars) in cash payments from drug trade operatives for supposedly helping them to cover up illicit drug use in a building in the South Bronx. The father had a service-oriented company that worked for that building and he, according to the mother and maternal grandmother, had known about the drugs in the building. Yet, he allegedly took a payoff to cover up the illicit drug use and supposedly lied to the authorities who were investigating the drug operations in that building. The father has numerous criminal records that cover drug possession and use as well as physical assault, in addition to several DUIs and an arrest for failure to obtain a permit for multiple guns that he brought in from out-of-state. In fact, the child protective services found him neglectful for using cocaine right in front of his young daughter.

Yet, the Manhattan Family Court and the attorney for the child went out of their way to make sure that this frail three-year-old girl who had allegedly been sexually abused by the cocaine-addicted father, who had tried to strangle and choke the mother, would go into her father's sole custody and not be allowed any contact with her mother or grandparents for over two years, as mentioned above. Though the mother was perfectly fine, she was forbidden by the court, acting on the advice of the attorney for the child, to see her child for two years, ages 3-5, which are crucial in a young child's development. During that time, the father's drug addiction caused uncontrollable rage resulting in the child's hand being slammed into a door. The child arrived in excruciating pain, with three finger nails hanging from her

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<sup>10</sup> This entrenched network was the subject a state legislative hearing some years ago wherein several whistle blowers testified to massive cover-ups of sexual abuse and to the grooming of a child for child erotica material. In fact, this child welfare agency and its collaborating agencies have long been suspected by a New York legislator, a news reporter, and by an organization that was on the founding board of directors of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to be collaborating in the production and distribution of child pornography and child erotica. The state legislator holding the hearing mentioned on the day of the hearing that he was "threatened" the day before by a top level administrator at the child welfare agency that if he would go ahead with the hearing there would be serious "consequences" for the child.

fingers, at the hospital emergency room screaming at the top of her lungs. The toddler's fingers were swollen and discolored. The same incident repeated itself several months later when the child landed in the hospital with swollen, bruised toes when a door was slammed on her foot. The mother learned about these tragic accidents from the father. The grandmother, a lovely soft-spoken woman, worries continually that her granddaughter will become the next family court-induced child fatality statistic. And she no doubt has cause to worry.

The financial onus on the mother and grandparents is prohibitive. They have separate visits with the child. Each must pay \$150 (one hundred fifty dollars) for a one-hour weekly visit at the visitation center. They are also assessed approximately \$300 (three hundred dollars) a month for the visitation center to write its report to the court. The child, now six years of age, continues to plead to go back to live with her mother and grandparents. But the attorney for the child, who works for the state child agency (receiving partial federal funds) suspected of producing kiddie porn, as mentioned above, has declared in court that the supervision of the mother, without warrant to begin with, will continue "forever." Suspicions abound that this child is possibly being used for production and distribution of porn material (especially given the fact that the case is spearheaded by the law guardian agency that has a sordid history)<sup>11</sup> – which lends credence to why the law guardian and the judge are forcing supervised visitation upon this mother with no end in sight. And there is indeed good cause for those suspicions.

First, the child has been kept by the law guardian isolated and secluded from the mother, while suffering accidents that warrant emergency room visits to the hospital. Second, the child, now six years of age, according to the maternal grandmothers, shows immodest, inappropriate behavior around her grandparents during a visit. Without provocation she tugs on her dress and pulls it up high enough to show her underwear in front of her grandparents. Third, the child is listless and sad, showing little to no spontaneity. She has given clues that she has had some sort of an "identity break" by stating to her grandparents that she is "not the child they once knew." This is common in children groomed for child erotica and porn because by making the child believe they are someone else or not the "same child" they once were, they are able to loosen the child's moral structure and get the child to pose promiscuously – as if they are playing a role or acting as a different person with another identity.

Furthermore, it appears that palpable efforts are being made by the court system and the visitation center to allegedly keep a tight lid on the purported exploitation of this child. For example, once when the child had asked the mother for her street address – recalling that they had lived together on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue before the court took her away from her mother – the visitation was abruptly terminated by the supervisor for fear that the child would someday run back to the mother's home. The court and its associated players, namely the attorney for the child and the visitation supervisor, may have feared the

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<sup>11</sup> This Manhattan law guardian agency had a high ranking official who was exposed in New York Newsday and in the Jewish Week for interfering with a criminal investigation into child sexual abuse and the production and distribution of child pornography at an Orthodox daycare center in Brooklyn. The Manhattan law guardian agency is nonsectarian and serves members of all faiths yet their official interposed, according to the victims, in a criminal investigation at the request of the late Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver. Indeed, the official prevailed in derailing an investigation into the use of over 100 children (this was the largest Orthodox daycare center in Brooklyn) in making pornographic videos for distribution. The skullduggery of this Manhattan-based law guardian agency was first testified to by several mothers at a joint legislative hearing held by the New York State Senate and the New York State Assembly some years ago, as reported in the NY Post, March 10, 1989. In the years that followed, this law guardian agency has evaded a number of state-level investigations because of their powerful board of directors and their lobbyists (as documented in a letter from former state senator David A. Paterson to Patricia Toth and J. Robert Flores at the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section at the U.S. Department of Justice, June 2, 1995).

child might reveal crucial facts related to sordid child exploitation if the child were to have the opportunity to run back to see the mother in the absence of the visitation supervisor, whose role is to censor the communications between the mother and child. Thereafter, the mother was warned by the visitation supervisor never to mention her address to the child lest she'd never have visits again.<sup>12</sup>

When speaking to the grandmother recently, she raised a very good question. She asked why her son-in-law who espouses fervent Neo-Nazi views would suddenly fire the Caucasian babysitters he had hired for years and insist on replacing them with Spanish-speaking sitters. She opined that the sitters were now playing the dual role of drug-trafficking facilitators inasmuch as the drug trade is supported by those Latino operatives who work with those who smuggle the drugs in from Mexico. Again, of course without documented evidence, these suspicions remain uncorroborated. However, the deportment in this case and the appalling history of the agency that was at the center of legislative investigations years ago raises serious questions about an ongoing criminal enterprise that is energized by drug trade criminal organizations that are heavily involved in child-sex trafficking, wherein the child welfare agencies and courts are likely conduits for the supply of children.

### **Cook County Child-Sex Trafficking Nexus with Family Courts and Child Protective Services**

Based on close analysis of court records, the child protective services in Chicago, known as DCFS (Department of Children and Family Services), might be playing a pivotal role in the trafficking of children. Certainly, not the entire agency or the entire Juvenile Court system, but as mentioned earlier if just a few operatives are involved their caseloads are large enough to cause harm to many mothers and children. In such cases, not only does the mother lose custody to the sexually abusive father, but local child protective service agencies, receiving federal funds, literally “prosecute” the mother for appealing to a public agency for help with their sexually abused child.

The modus operandi is as follows: The state-run CPS agency (receiving partial federal funds) brings a knowingly false “neglect” action against the mother solely based on her presumably making a “false” report of sexual abuse notwithstanding the fact that mandated reporters such as school teachers, hospital emergency departments, therapists and others are the ones that have called in reports of abuse against the child’s father. Or alternatively the state brings a knowingly false “abuse” action against the mother for seeking emergency medical care for the child notwithstanding compelling medical evidence to support sexual abuse trauma necessitating emergency care. When the child protective services bring such spurious petitions against mothers, the children unfortunately go into foster care or directly to the father. In such cases, children have also shown signs of “grooming” by acting in lewd and lascivious ways; and some reveal videotaping in compromised positions.

Concomitantly, children groomed for child erotica and kiddie porn show signs of having been programmed to resist the foods they like in order to achieve a svelte figure – often going too far and looking malnourished and wan – even though they are barely of prepubescent age, and certainly not old enough to be concerned about their figure. The case mentioned earlier about the San Diego mother of

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<sup>12</sup> As part of the plan to isolate this young child from its mother while keeping her with a cocaine-abusing, alcoholic father, the visitation center warned the mother not to bring any gifts when she sees the child. Presents facilitate bonding between children and adults which is why it is a universal custom. In this case, the law guardian and the court wanted to weaken, if not eviscerate, the mother-child bond, which is a common ploy in suppressing a child exploitation network from being made known to adults who can seek the help of law enforcement.

the fraternal twins who recently lost custody to the cocaine-dealing ex-husband who frequents massage parlors to engage with underage girls, has already shown signs of something awry. The nine-year-old girl appears withdrawn and sad and has noticeably lost weight while living with the father. According to the mother the girl appears “thin” and “very small.”

The bringing of spurious petitions against innocent mothers so as to cultivate children for pornography, while causing great harm to their health in forcing strenuous dieting to achieve a model’s figure while likewise stunting normal growth via the withholding of food, was evident in this Cook County case explained here. The mother had suffered the unfair custody loss of her then six-year-old daughter when Rush Memorial Hospital, alarmed at the child’s anal fissures and vaginal lacerations, reported child sexual abuse to the child protective services and to the police. The child corroborated the abuse, providing horrifying accounts of violent sexual assault by the father and his cohort, who were laughing and taking video shots of the child as she was being sodomized and raped. The mother was charged by the child protective services with “medical child abuse” solely based on her taking her child to Rush Memorial which diagnosed sexual abuse by the father. There are several corroborating cases in Cook County involving the same bad actors.

The drug factor is particularly interesting here. The mother discovered after marriage that her husband was the number one drug dealer on her college campus. Because she was ignorant of the drug-dealing culture where argot is used to engage in drug sales, she didn’t recognize that her soon-to-be husband was a heavy-handed drug dealer. Similar to the New York County case, described above, the drug-dealing Cook County father asserted his affiliation with Neo-Nazi groups; he even chose a photo of Hitler to serve as background scenery for the homepage on his computer.<sup>13</sup>

Though the child was cut off from the mother who was not permitted any phone contact, email or text communication with her child, clues to the exploitation of this child by the drug-dealing father would surface. To wit, on a supervised visitation the mother took her daughter, along with the supervisor, to a Chicago department store to get her an outfit for school. The then nine-year-old child took off her outer garments in the dressing room and the mother was shocked to see her daughter wearing racy adult undergarments, while she showed off a sexually provocative gait she had recently learned from her father and his cohort. Next, the child would bitterly complain that her father placed a video 24/7 in her bedroom where she slept and would undress for the night. The video camera was a “nanny cam” which is a webcam that allows one to see what is happening from another room in the house and can be streamed to porn sites operating behind a pay wall. The child was healthy and there was no reason to have to monitor her with a camera.

The evidence of an eerie nanny cam poised in the child’s room was placed before the court, but the child protective services didn’t wince, nor did the attorney for the child. Instead, CPS continued to

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<sup>13</sup> In a similar Cook County case the father took a picture of his three-year-old son sporting the Nazi salute. The father repeatedly sexually abused his children, forced them to watch adult pornography, and helped groom his daughter for child erotica and pornography. He accomplished this feat with the support of his substance-abusing, white supremacist cohorts who had assisted him in getting the court to award him sole custody of his three children. The children’s mother, who holds a responsible position in a community hospital in charge of assembling bags of patient IV solutions, has lost all visitation privileges without cause. She suffered medical issues – a series of minor strokes – as a result of extreme pressure her husband placed on her carotid artery in a violent attack on her in which he tried to choke her and cut off her breath.

“prosecute” the mother for purportedly making a false report of abuse even though Rush Memorial Hospital in Chicago had found such strong medical evidence of abuse that they made an immediate report against the father to the Department of Children and Family Services and to the police. Tragically, the child has followed the predictable pattern of prepubescent girls used for child grooming: she continues to resist eating and remains painfully thin to date, whereas she had never shown any diminution in appetite before being taken away from her mother and forced to live with man the child had accused of sodomy and rape.

Finally, there is another clue in this case that may point to the father’s enmeshment in drug trafficking and child exploitation. Given his history, according to his wife, of having served as a major drug dealer at her college campus he had a number of connections with those in the drug trade industry. Remarkably, shortly after he sexually abused his daughter, and was confronted by his wife, he suddenly got a job as a logistics broker for one of the largest world-wide companies that mediates between large-scale shippers and expensive carriers by trying to get the best possible deal for the shipper. This job assignment raises questions since he never had training or experience in this field, yet he became an account manager right away for such a large company that arranges transport of freight to Canada, South America and Asia. His placing of a hidden video camera in his daughter’s bedroom would enable him to glean footage of his daughter undressing at night. His role as a logistics broker would then allow him to plug into distribution channels for child porn and child erotica material. This father, as a cocaine user,<sup>14</sup> is in the grip of the drug trade industry to feed his habit and to evade apprehension for his involvement with illegal drug activities. As mentioned earlier, pedophiles gain vicarious pleasure from sharing their victims with others. But drug-abusing pedophiles are even better candidates (than pedophiles who do not use drugs) for sharing their victims because they are already beholden to the drug trade industry, which has a known history of involvement with child-sex trafficking.

### **Contra Costa County Child-Sex Trafficking Nexus with Family Court and Child Protective Services**

In a similar case in Contra Costa County an eight-year-old girl, at the instigation of her cocaine-abusing father who was a lawyer who championed abolishing gun permit requirements altogether, was taken from the mother and thrust into foster care where she was forced to adorn suggestive clothing while instructed to pose seductively for videotaping and still shots. The mother is totally competent as a parent and in fact serves as the head ICU nurse at the neonatal unit for a major university-affiliated hospital. When the child was placed in foster care by the local child protective services before being sent to live with the abusive father, food was withheld from her so that she could become very thin in order to have a model’s figure.

Photos of the child show a tragically gaunt prepubescent girl who looks sickly. The child was forced by the foster parents to adorn stiletto heels while dressed in suggestive outfits, and instructed to pose in what the child described as “weird” (adult) positions while videos and still shots were taken of her. At night strangers would go in and out of her room while she was in bed wearing her night clothes and trying desperately to sleep. She told her caseworker and her mother and other family members that she never knew when strangers would descend upon her and was “very frightened” by these incidents.

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<sup>14</sup> The mother reported that her husband strategically shaved off every inch of body hair in order to evade a hair follicle test.

Once the child began to disclose the pornographic activities in the foster home, the child protective services insisted the father, a 6'4" ex-con who served a number of jail sentences for DUIs and for inflicting bodily harm on another person while under the influence of illicit drugs and alcohol, obtain full custody of the child. The father owned a collection of 12-15 semi-automatic AR-15 rifles, some without permits.

This made no difference to the judge, the law guardian, or the child protective services. The ex-con with such an elaborate collection of semi-automatic rifles (he had to break open his living room picture window to allow a hydraulic lift to bring in a very wide metal safe to contain the Magazines for all these semi-automatic weapons) was awarded sole custody of the child even though the child kept pleading to be returned to the mother. Thus, in an effort to cover up the sexual exploitation of the child at the foster home, the child protective services had urged the judge to place the child in the custody of her father – who had gone behind the scenes to orchestrate the foster care placement of the child in retaliation for the child disclosing to her therapist that her father had sexually abused her – and impose strict supervised visitation arrangements on the mother. By placing the child in the custody of the father, the system was able to keep a lid on the child exploitation operations. The mother, a recipient of an award of excellence as a neonatal ICU nurse, was forced to go on medication because the terror and trepidation of her child living with a drug addicted, sexually abusive father surrounded by a large collection of semi-automatic weapons was too much for her to bear. As it would be for any sensible human being.

As with the courts, not *all* child protective service agencies are involved with child exploitation. However, when totally competent mothers are “prosecuted” by child protective service agencies for purportedly making a false report of abuse against the drug-abusing, alcoholic father and their children are forcibly removed and placed in foster care where they are forced to lose weight and pose seductively, this presents a dangerous hazard to women and children.

Notably, such spurious prosecutions of mothers for “lying” about sex abuse will consume from three to four years, or more, taking up many, many court days and many hours of caseworker involvement, when the most serious cases of abuse (wherein mothers have brutally beaten, scalded, and starved their children) are handled in far less time, usually in 3-6 months. This anomaly gives one pause to think that perhaps the unusually protracted prosecution of the mother for “lying” about sexual abuse is intended to maintain jurisdiction over the mother so as to have a hold over the minor for child-sex trafficking for as long as possible. Fathers who have drug habits are easy prey for the drug trade industry that builds its network and criminal routes by collaborating with child porn syndicates. That is, once fathers have engaged in the possession, use, or sale of illicit drugs they have sold their souls to the drug trade industry, which owns them because at any moment they can be turned in to the authorities. As a result, fathers must comply with making their children available to such criminal organizations, whether for drug trafficking or for child pornography or anything else.

## **Federal Statutes**

If there is a network manipulating the courts to transfer custody of child abuse victims to the abuser to protect or supply child pornography (and pedophile) operations, it appears that **§18 U.S.C. 2251A (b)** would make it a federal crime to participate in that process. In addition, the Attorney General of the

United States has an official consulting role in the award of federal grants to the state programs relating to the investigation and prosecution of child abuse and neglect cases: see §42 U.S.C. 5106(c). Such cases wherein credible evidence of sexual abuse is deliberately suppressed by child protective service agencies, which bring knowingly bogus charges of “neglect” and “abuse” against the mother (solely on the grounds that she purportedly “lied” about the abuse) so that they can seize the child from the mother and place in foster care or directly with the sexually abusive father, raise serious concerns as to whether the child abuse prosecution process funded under §42 U.S.C. 5101, et seq. has been subverted by child protective services, minor’s counsel (a/k/a law guardians, guardian ad litem, or Attorney for the Child), or the sheriff’s office to obtain child victims for exploitation in child pornography and pedophilia.

The crimes perpetrated against mothers and children urgently cry out for federal law enforcement redress. In New York State, for example, the current chair of the Assembly Judiciary Committee is very sensitive to the kinds of abuses described in this memorandum and has built up a hearing record on cases in the state, with a concentration in Nassau County and New York County. Nevertheless, attempts to get state laws passed have been severely hampered by partisan interests groups who wish to keep the courts free from scrutiny and from any semblance of accountability. In fact, New York amended Section 240 of its Domestic Relations Law back in 2008, preventing courts from removing custody from a parent solely because they made a good faith report of child abuse against the other parent. Still, the law has been wholly violated by the trial courts, and the appellate division will not reverse these errant rulings (and make good case law) in spite of this amendment to Section 240 of the New York Domestic Relations Law. There are many casualties in New York State (25 child deaths over the past few years) because of the blatant disregard for such laws. When a criminal enterprise infects the courts, as shown here, no law can shield a mother and child from harm.

### **Cooperation from Witnesses**

In conclusion, because the family courts have been woefully compromised by the underlying criminal enterprises that search out unsuspecting mothers and children, it’s fundamentally unfair to ask mothers to navigate their rights in the courts. There are many victim witnesses in New York County, Nassau County, Cook County, San Diego County, Contra Costa County, Harris County, El Paso County, and Washington County (MD), and so forth. The pattern is clear: the clusters of corrupt family court cases aggregating in certain counties are found to geographically coincide with some of the most active drug trade hubs in the nation. By following the family (and juvenile) court clusters one inevitably follows the drug trade, child-sex rings, white supremacists and Neo-Nazis, and the illegal possession of firearms – in other words, all the dangerous social ills converge on the “dark courts.” Accordingly, women and children are left woefully unsafe in the American family (and juvenile) court system and this certainly cannot be tolerated.

At the minimum, what has been presented here is a major civil rights crisis for women/children, made pawns of crime syndicates and possibly drug trade organizations that have invaded our courts and child protective services. The federal statutes, cited above, may give cause for the U.S. Department of Justice to commence an investigation. The intersection of the courts with child-sex trafficking points to additional federal statutes that have been violated. I will assist with supplying research files on current cases as well as potential witnesses. The problem is grave. The courts, via the willingness of certain judges, law guardians, and child welfare agencies, have been commandeered by a crime syndicate working to the detriment of women and children – and to BIPOC mothers perhaps even more so.