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NPRA Team testifies throughout Georgia and files federal lawsuits across the country.

Within the past month, Karen Wagner, Executive Director of National Parents' Rights Association, Dr. Monty Weinstein, Director of Mental Health and David Oles, Esquire challenged courts, produced expert testimony, and gained accessibility for children to their parents in numerous counties throughout Georgia.,

Wagner and Weinstein worked as a team to stop the court system from systematically removing parents from their children. In most of the cases the court appointed G.A.L. and psychologist were advocating for limited time for one of the parents based on nothing more than unsubstantiated and false allegations.

Dr. Weinstein did a brilliant job in disputing the supposed "facts" and impeaching the so called experts seeking to deprive parents of their rights of access to their children. He has published numerous journal articles in Annals the American Journal of psychotherapy and was qualified as an expert in every area in which he was proffered. His testimony was instrumental in successfully challenging the court experts.

Ms. Wagner testified as an expert in parenting that

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Meet The NPRA Team

KAREN WAGNER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ms. Wagner a Harvard graduate helped formulate the group and has been qualified throughout the US in the areas of parenting and child development. Her testimony has been extremely valuable for the past several years and she was instrumental in developing NPRA into a major civil rights group.

DR. MONTY WEINSTEIN, MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR

Dr. Monty Weinstein, a clinical fellow and a fellow of The American Psychotherapy Association has been testifying on behalf of NPRA and has worked with Wagner on a number of cases. He was the distinguished public service award recipient by the mayor of NY and has published many major articles in the areas of mental health and parents' accessibility to children. Dr. Weinstein is one of the founders along with Wagner of NPRA.

DAVID OLES, ESQ. & GA COUNSEL

David Oles, attorney for NPRA, and also a Harvard Law graduate has worked brilliantly in expediting cases for children's' accessibility to their parents. He has been an instrumental force in NPRA.

PETER LOMTEVAS, ESQ. & NY COUNSEL

Peter Lomtevas, leading attorney for NPRA in New York has filed a number of US Federal lawsuits on behalf of parents' rights throughout the country. He has a major practice and has helped many indigent clients in very difficult situations. He has filed many briefs against the child welfare system.

BRUCE EDEN, CIVIL RIGHTS DIRECTOR

Bruce Eden, Civil Rights advocate for NPRA was the former founder of The Children's Rights Council. He has filed numerous federal lawsuits and Amicus Curiae briefs on behalf of parents.

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each one of the targeted parents was more than capable of providing a safe and loving home to their child (ren). She further documented the research regarding shared parenting and advocated for 50-50 parenting as a default position, which she believes to truly be in the best interest of the children.

Bruce Eden's Amicus Curiae briefs were the subject of much dissention and the opposing attorneys did their best to prevent the briefs from being entered as evidence. In all of the cases the judges accepted the briefs and the NPRA prevailed in presenting counter claims regarding the truth of the situation. The current predilection of many judges to rubber stamp the recommendations of the G.A.L. and psychologist was successfully challenged although the courts appeared to be hesitant to allow their experts to be challenged.

David Oles, Esq. did an outstanding job in giving the court no choice but to admit the testimony of the NPRA experts who had come to dramatically different conclusions as to the custody issues.

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SUZANNE SILVER, DIRECTOR OF
COUNSELING

Suzanne Silver a Columbia University graduate has testified on numerous occasions for the rights of parents. She is a leading expert on the field of psychiatric social work and family therapy and will be playing a major role in the years to come.

ROBERT CAHILL, DISPUTE
RESOLUTION

Robert Cahill a leading founder of NPRA is an expert on dispute resolution certified by the New York court system. He has given numerous years pro bono to help the needy and oppressed people.

PHYLLIS MCNEAL, ED. DIRECTOR

Phyllis McNeal and internationally renowned parenting expert who is a retired NY City public school teacher and administrator holds two Masters degrees and has been instrumental in assisting parents to document their understanding of and expertise in parenting skills. She has been and continues to be available to NPRA clients.

BURGE SMITH-LYONS, RELATIONSHIP
DIRECTOR

Burge Smith-Lyons a nationally known transformational educator has been assisting NPRA clients to navigate the emotional and psychological traumas associated with losing access to their children. She is an expert on relationship issues.

Former NPRA Board Members

ROBERT GOULD, M.D. (DECEASED)

Robert Gould, M.D. former president of The American Psychiatric Association and leading author and professor of psychiatry at New York Medical Cornell was the former Medical Director of NPRA, his position will be filled as soon as a suitable candidate is assessed.

THE HONORABLE KATHERINE LEVINE

The Honorable Katherine A. Levine, a graduate of Cornell University and University of Maryland Law School, where she served as an editor of the Law Review, was formerly an active member of NPRA until her recent election as judge of the Civil Court of the City of New York. Ms. Levine developed an expertise in Civil Rights, the First Amendment and Employment Law during her employment as a senior counsel with the New York State United Teachers. She won a \$1.3 million jury verdict for a female administrator whose First Amendment rights were violated by her employer. Ms. Levine rendered us valuable guidance and assistance on legal issues that arose over the years.

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