

Pennsylvania House of Representatives
Judiciary Sub Committee
Hearing on
Domestic Relations Problems
(March 13, 1998)

I do not think that I will have enough time to cover everything so...This is what you should look for and I will give you a full written summary when I finish.

1. **I am here because.....**
2. **I want to make clear my personal situation:** (So that you can see who can be separated from a child without any requirement for the court to explain its decision.)

Apparently the Chester County Department of Domestic Relations finds all this insufficient to allow us to maintain an EQUAL Parenting Time Arrangement as requested by my daughter and I.

3. **This is the Child who's words were reinvented and then ignored.**
4. **History of Situation:** Alteration of our EQUAL PARENTING TIME Schedule was surrounded by the following peculiar circumstances (See if you think that what happened was ethical and "handled appropriate")

MOST APPALLING OF ALL.... It has been 4 years since this happened and There has never been any attempt made to look into how this alteration of an EQUAL PARENTING SCHEDULE occurred.

5. **What is this about?**
6. **SOLUTIONS:**
Custody
Family Court Reform
Achieving Economic Justice for the "Dependent Spouse."

We will never decrease the deleterious effects of excessive divorce rates on children as long as we allow rational thinking to be replaced by failure to connect parental obligation to the concept that when you make a child you incur a life long responsibility. This responsibility extends not only to the child but also to the spouse, and the relatives who's life will be effected by the decision of one person to unilaterally void their responsibilities.

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