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**HOW SAD! - BRANTFORD DADS BEWARE!**

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I have used my family budget to perform audits as a community advocate for the past twenty years. Long Term Care, emergency rooms, WSIB, work place violence, education, special education needs, criminal court, family court, child protection, Office of the Childrens Lawyer, election process etc. have all come under review from this auditor. The credibility of my expertise as an auditor is well supported by references from the national and provincial level and from very respected lawyers, to the head of a Toronto Mosque. As well October 7, 8 and 9<sup>th</sup> I will be making a 35 minute presentation to an international conference in Washington DC on several Ontario audit results to an audience of lawyers, psychiatrists and psychologists. This audience will also hear that my plan to use the audits to stop taxpayers dollars being used outside rule of law has up to this point in time failed miserably. And, the success of our governments in foiling the effectiveness of my plan is surely attributable to the media.

Regardless of what the audits have unearthed, and believe you me there have been some things that you could not believe are supported by our government using our tax dollars, elder abuse for one thing, it never ceases to shock me when I unearth another real dilly in terms of ignorance or butt covering. Last night was no exception. I received the defence from CAS of Brant to a small claims matter against them and their social worker Donna Symes put before the court by a Brantford mom (who cannot be identified) with me as her representative. The subject of the claim is a breach of a temporary care agreement by the CAS of Brant and particularly their social worker Donna Symes that has lead to what mom believes is abduction of two of her children. The reason for this belief is that an audit shows there is no lawful justification for either of these children being in foster care in Brantford. One of the children has been in foster care since December 5, 2002. The CAS Toronto based lawyer, Robert M. Zarnett of Lawson, McGrenere LLP put the CAS and Donna Symes position to the court in their statement of defence that the consent of a natural father who lives with and supports a child and has not been removed as a custodial parent is not required to voluntarily place his child in a foster home – duh!

The ability of this Toronto lawyer, Mr. Robert M. Zarnett and indeed the the law firm regardless of who is at the counsel table, to support this position before the courts is questionable I agree. Particularly, when they cannot even get facts of the matter related to addresses right. In the meantime, however, Brantford taxpayers foot the bill. Social Worker Donna Symes is on the court record that she did not finish her social work degree and her previous work experience before joining the CAS of Brant team was at Joey's Fish and Chips. If I was a Brantford dad I would pack up and leave. Our audits show you do not stand a chance in Brantford of upholding rule of law when Brant CAS are in the picture. After all they are able to spend a goodly portion of our \$1.2 billion tax dollars given to Ontario CAS organizations, to support their actions. A little girl being in foster care since December 5, 2002 despite her dad's efforts, through a reputable Brantford lawyer, to bring her home to join her brother at grandma's house, and oh how she loves her grandma, supports my position. **How sad! A September 19, 2006 Auditors Publication**