

**RE: Pick up**

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Hi Mrs. Marshall,

I hope you have a great easter with your family. Thank you for ensuring we are all clear with [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. According to this order, if we are unavailable to care for the kids, the other parent should be given the right of first refusal. That is why a record of when either Tom or I can't be there for a pick-up is vital. If one of us has a short-time parental conflict that interferes with a pick-up, the other parent can designate someone else to pick up the kids. However, having someone else pick up the kids does not apply when the parent travels or goes for business meetings, as the police officer that day reported. On March 15<sup>th</sup>, I had the legal right to pick up the kids. I am still confused about the need to call law enforcement if a question arises regarding changes to court orders. Is that the protocol?

On March 20<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 AM, Wendy told the Judge that All Saints called her to report that all three kids had gone missing from school. According to Wendy, Mrs. Magana immediately called her to share serious concerns. Yet, in your email, you write, "We did not make a call to the GAL." Is this correct? I am asking for transparency. I hope everything is well documented. I want to ensure that if more questions arise during court hearings, there is no confusion. Just like I am sure there will not be a dispute on March 8th, for example, Mrs. Magana had a 25-minute conversation with Wendy a week before this incident.

The kids have gone through so much; I please ask that matters with the kids are dealt with respect and that proper procedures are followed to protect them. Months have passed, and the kids have not had appropriate emotional support to this day. Roadblocks have stopped them from receiving help to cope with confusing and hard-to-understand feelings; while they are resilient and brave, they don't deserve this.

Like others, I love my kids and will continue doing everything I can to protect them.

Mario