## **Health Impact News**

## Medical Kidnapping Children in the United States: Arkansas

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## **Arkansas**



# Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement



Stanley family children being removed from home during the night because the father allegedly used an unapproved mineral supplement. Photo from the <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>.

UPDATE 1/26/2017

## Homeschool Arkansas Dad Files Federal Lawsuit Against Officials Who Kidnapped His Children

UPDATE 6/25/2015

From Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page:

#### LEGAL CUSTODY IS RETURNED

On June 24, 2015 the court returned custody of the final three children. Now all seven are back in our custody. After nearly six months of praying, sharing and suffering, the children are back where God put them. Thank you all for the part you played in bringing this to pass.

As you all know, we have a major battle ahead to prevent Michelle and me from being put on the Child Maltreatment Registry. We have not neglected or abused our children, and in six months the officials have found no neglect or abuse. The school issue of not being properly registered is not sufficient to remove our children from our home school and place them in public school. We must win the battle on July 10th at the Child Maltreatment Registry Hearing. Pray.

Meanwhile, my burden this morning is my children. When they were taken and BringTheStanleyKidsHome was started, we looked forward the return of the children when we would invite the media and all our friends and have a welcome home party. Then it was looking forward to victory. Somehow it is a shallow victory. My children are hurt. My family is hurting. We are fighting for survival. Yes we have wonderful memories of the glorious twenty years we had honoring our Lord Jesus in every area of our lifestyle. We praise Him for His grace in using us here.

But now all that we built is challenged. Family worship,

family school, family birth, family medicine and family business are seen as some kind of fanaticism. We will rebuild, and we must. All that Michelle and I have done to provide the very best of life for our children is challenged or even condemned. We want only what God's Word prescribes for our children. That is the best, and that is what we want for our children. What can we do to heal these seven precious children from the abuse they have suffered at the hands of an overreaching system which claims to help children, while it does, perhaps, irreparable harm to them. Please pray and help!

Bro Hal

#### UPDATE 6/2/2015



Click for more pictures.

From Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page:

Born in a storm, under a tornado watch, no electricity, by candle light, right in sync with the last 5 months of our lives. And just like nothing else is normal in our lives these days, we still don't have a name picked out for her yet. She was born on Monday, May 25th (Memorial Day – a day I shall never forget at 10:45 pm. She weighed 9 1/2 pounds and is 22 inches long. After 21 1/2 hours of labor, I thrilled to welcome her into this world to find her very healthy and with a very content disposition, as you will see in these pictures.

Once again God has showered us with his blessings and met all our need in this trying time. The answers to prayer are too many to mention but we again thank each and everyone of you for your continued support and how faithfully you have lifted us up in prayers.

May the Lord multiply your blessings and may these pictures bless you to see the fruit of your prayers that continue to be answered.

Love, Michelle

UPDATE 5/14/2015

Stanley Family Gets Custody Back of 4 Youngest Children - 3 Older Children Still in State Custody

UPDATE 5/11/2015

From Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page:

Please be in prayer for us this Wednesday as our next

followup hearing will be at 10:00 on May 13th. It is our hope that we will regain custody back over our children and that there be no strings attached. We are ready to go on with our lives and where we need help we want to seek it on our own, not have the state mandating it or the court ordering it. We want this to be over so we can get on with our lives as we see fit and as the Lord leads us in the way we should go.

Thank you again for all the show of support and all the prayers. Especially for all those who have been out to our home and have helped in the garden or have brought food or just came to help in anyway. Thanks to all of you. We are blessed and we don't take for granted how much of an answer to prayer you all have been.

Also to update those of you who have expressed your concerns for me and my midwife situation, the Lord has provided at least 2 people to be here to assist my birth. It is more glorious answer to prayer and now with just 3 weeks till my due date, all I have to do is get my nest ready. We are looking forward to a healthy delivery and speedy recovery but we know it is all a matter of prayers being answered.

Prayers to you all as well, we know we aren't the only ones carrying heavy burdens.

Love, Michelle

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that you labour is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Corinthians 15:57-58

## Warrant Issuing Judge in Stanley Children Kidnapping Case Forces Sheriff to Reveal Documents

UPDATE 4/10/2015

From Hal Stanely:

Vaccinations begin Monday! None of our children have been vaccinated. After much study and deep conviction, we decided that vaccinations were not helpful and indeed were very dangerous. I realize that most of us have been vaccinated and we are still here. However that is not the issue here. We deeply believe that if they suddenly inject all poisons of the vaccinations into our children it can do serious or even deadly damage to their bodies. Simply do some research. Help us! Call judge Wade Narramore and ask him not to demand the vaccinations. Urge them to send the children home where we can properly care for them.

UPDATE 3/17/2015

## Four Stanley Children to Return Home Immediately

From Michelle Stanley:

Today we had what is called a mediation meeting. That is a meeting where

licensed mediators mediate between all the parties involved

to try to

come to a mutual agreement that resolves the issues in a way that is

satisfying to all parties. It was estimated that it would take about 3

hours but instead it took nine hours of waiting, discussing, breaking for

lunch, then mediating, and finally in the last 20 minutes an agreement was

made. The court house had to lock up or it would have gone longer.

Because of the paper everyone had to sign before the meeting stating that

everything mentioned during mediation was confidential, we can not give

the details as to what all went on. However the result of the mediation

is that the 4 youngest children will come home tomorrow on a 60 day home

trial basis and the older 3 children will come home on the weekends and

spring break (which happens to be next week.) We will still have the

adjudication hearing on the 23rd but the dynamics of it will be different

since we have reached an agreement today.

That is all we can say for today but we will share more later as we learn

what we can share since the meeting did not close as it should have (with

a discussion as to what everyone would be allowed to say) due to the fact

we ran out of time. We are thrilled that any children are being allowed

to come home because it was our understanding that if no agreement was

made then the chances of them coming home later would be slim do to the

powers we are up against.

So we praise God for the prayers that were answered and ask everyone to

continue to pray as this is still not over. The transition will be hard

due to the 2 months of exposure and influence on our children. But we

know that by God's grace his loving mercies are new every day and we can

take it one day at a time. We love you all and again thank each and

everyone of you for your love and support and prayers. It has born fruit

and we give God all the glory for this wonderful victory.

Love, Michelle

UPDATE 3/3 2015

## <u>4 Year Old Benjamin Stanley: Why Can't I go</u> <u>Home?</u>

UPDATE 2/16/2015

7 Children Kidnapped by State of Arkansas from Homeschool Family to Remain in State Custody

UPDATE 2/10/2015

From the **Bringthestanleykidshome** Facebook Page:

The next (custody) hearing is Thursday Feb 12th at 9:00 am and Friday Feb 13th at 1:00 pm.

Anyone who would like to come and can come for moral support please do. We would like to see a big crowd. Not only does our presence encourage Hal and Michelle, it shows the officials we are still watching even with the gag order.

I believe it will be the same as before we will not be allowed in the hearing but can stand in the hall and outside with signs. If you cannot come, please pray and lift them up these two days. We are so thankful for everyone's prayer and support.

District Court

607 Ouachita Avenue

Hot Springs, AR 71901

UPDATE 1/22/2015

See:

<u>Judge Refuses to Allow Stanley Family</u> <u>Children to Go Home – Issues Gag Order</u>

Original Story:

# Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement

by Brian Shilhavy Health Impact News Editor

Relatives of the Stanley family in Garland County, Arkansas have reached out to MedicalKidnap.com to notify the public that the 7 homeschool children of Hal and Michelle Stanley were removed during the night by DHS and fully armed sheriffs this past week, simply because they reportedly found a supplement in the home that was not approved by the FDA.

<u>KARK4</u> in Hot Springs Arkansas has reported on the situation:

Video no longer available.

Some excerpts from the **KARK4** report:

A "miracle" mineral treatment alleged to be a remedy for cancer and AIDS is at the center of an law enforcement search warrant. The investigation ended in the removal of seven children from their home in Garland County.

The family has cried foul, saying only the father has taken it and it's mostly used for purifying water for their garden. Hal and his wife Michelle were kept outside for hours while officers searched the home with their seven children inside.

They avoid most contact with the government. The parents have home schooled their nine children, two of whom have graduated and gone on to college. The Stanleys keep to themselves, are generally self-sustained and consider themselves "preppers".



Hal Stanley, the father. Photo by KARK4

Hal added, "There's never been any beer, liquor." They say they've never had a run-in with the law before. "I've never had a speeding ticket." The Stanleys say since the night they had their children taken, friends and relatives have called and shown support.

As the children were removed from the home Hal and his wife Michelle say they emotionally asked who made the decision. Hal said, "And finally a young man from the Sheriff's department raised his hand, 'I did it and I'm proud of the decision'."

Michelle worries about her children, "They've never been away from us in any kind of setting like that."

Read the Full Story here.

## FDA Attacks MMS – An Apparent Threat to Pharmaceutical Drugs

Health Impact News has also reported on how the FDA has targeted the main distributor of MMS, who is facing 37 years in prison. This is in spite of the fact that the product has been used in Africa by the Red Cross to treat Malaria, and reportedly has helped tens of thousands of people worldwide. The product is made from sodium chlorite, which is a perfectly legal product and can be purchased online in such places as Amazon.com and eBay.

Daniel Smith has been embroiled in a legal battle with the FDA for almost 5 years, and has been confined to his home under house arrest wearing a government monitoring device around his ankle for over two years:

I'm attaching a photo of this clever device, which assures the government I am safe and sound in my home every night between 10:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. In the beginning, it insured that I never left home at all – not even to the grocery. Other than keeping me from going swimming with the kids, I hardly notice it's there anymore. This device communicates with an alien-looking GPS-device that sits on top of our piano. (Source.)



Photo by Daniel Smith.

While the FDA and other authorities are attacking both distributors and users of this "unapproved" product, several pharmaceutical companies have existing drug trials in place for similar products, according to the <a href="MMS Defense Fundsite">MMS Defense Fundsite</a>:

It was no surprise then when, in June of 2013 (after the arrests), sodium chlorite suddenly received "orphaned drug status" in the EU for the treatment of ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease). See <u>Sodium Chlorite (NP001) Receives Orphaned "Drug" Status in the European Union</u>.

It was also no surprise to find that clinical studies were already under way for the use of sodium chlorite (designated "NP001") in the treatment of <u>Alzheimer's, Multiple Sclerosis</u>, and Parkinson's.

Neither was it a surprise to find numerous patents – many based on clinical studies – for the use of acidified sodium chlorite in the safe and effective treatment of <u>HIV</u>, <u>dermatologic and inflammatory diseases</u>, <u>infectious diseases</u>, <u>cancers</u>, and <u>diabetic ulcers</u>, to name a few. See also, <u>Immunokine</u> designated "<u>WF10</u>".

More recently, the U.S. military has turned to sodium chlorite to generate chlorine dioxide (ClO2) to fight the spread of dread Ebola.

Nobody has died from the many years of this product being used all around the world, but every year over 100,000 people die from FDA approved pharmaceutical products.



For more information on MMS and the FDA attacks, see: <u>FDA</u> <u>Attacks Man for Selling Supplement that has Healed Tens of Thousands – Facing 37 Years in Prison</u>

A Shocked Mother's Email to Friends and Family



Michelle Stanley, mother. Photo from KARK4

Very concerned and troubled relatives have passed on to Health Impact News this email written by the mother of the children:

I did not have the strength to call after all that happened today. I still haven't been able to fall asleep and I don't have much hope that I will. The DHS has come and stolen our kids from us under the guise of "protecting our children." For the first time since I gave birth to Madelyn I am away from all my bambinos. Only Hal and I are here alone in this wide house tonight.

The details are so many and I know you'll want to know them all. I will try to give a short account in this email and then fill you in more over the phone tomorrow.

Last month the DHS sent someone out to investigate a call made on their hot line (by an anonymous caller.) The lady who called let us know that she was somewhat embarrassed at how silly the charge was against us but that it was her job to investigate it anyway. We welcomed her into our home and she immediately knew that the charges were frivolous. The charges were that our kids were always running around barefoot, "even in the snow" and that they were inadequately dressed. Also that Hal had struck Christina on the face.

We showed her some of the "200 and something" pair of shoes and told her (actually the kids told her) how it was their preference to go barefoot and that it was like a tradition to briefly run out in the snow barefoot and take a picture of the footprints. We assured her that when they played in the snow they all liked to wear multiple layers of clothing and bags over their feet to keep their shoes from getting wet and that they wore plastic gloves over their winter gloves to keep them from getting wet and cold too. Everyone in the family knew Hal had never hit Christina so they all eagerly told her that wasn't true. She wrote her report and a couple of days ago we got it in the mail and it said that the charge was not valid or false (I don't remember the exact wording but the report was that the charge was not true.)

Then today we had plans for company to eat supper with us in the evening and we got a call in the morning from the DHS saying they got another phone call and that they had to come out just to ask us some questions again. We planned it for the morning at 11:00 so it wouldn't interfere with our evening plans. Then he called back and said he had been called into a meeting with his supervisor and that he would probably be later.



DHS and armed sheriff removing homeschool children from their home. <u>Photo courtesy KARK4</u>.

Well, he never called back and never came. Then around 4:30 several people showed up at our door, all obviously here for the investigation and we welcomed them in. However they desired us to step outside in order to speak privately with Hal and I and not in front of the kids. I tried to tell them it was much warmer inside and that it was nothing for the kids to go to the back of the house for us to have privacy talking. They refused and insisted on us stepping outside.

It was freezing cold and neither Hal or I had on coats. After stepping outside they issued us a search warrant and said we could not enter our house or talk to our kids until the search and the investigation was through.

You can only imagine how hard it was to play it cool and not blow up at the injustice that started to unfold.

We could not go get a coat, we could not call a lawyer, we could not retrieve anything inside like a phone or a

#### camera to record anything or call anyone.

They offered to let us sit in one of the 12 vehicles that ended up being in our driveway to keep warm. I blatantly refused saying I was not going to sit somewhere I couldn't have a view of my children and what all was going on so I sat on a chair on the porch facing our front window and driveway, freezing cold.

## It was almost 30 minutes later before they retrieved our coats for us to put on.

They said the charge was that we had a poisonous substance in our house and that the kids were being exposed to it and it endangered their welfare. The substance named in the report was MMS and we would have gladly given it to them without a search warrant because we knew nothing of the dangers of it from all our research. It is sold online as a water purifier and we are "preppers" so there is nothing unusual about us having it in our house.

Never has it been used it in any way to "poison" our kids or even expose them in such a way as to endanger their lives. Nor did we feel we were endangering them to have it in our house.

They said they still had to have all the kids checked out by a doctor and be tested for MMS exposure. Of the 12 emergency, state, county, federal, etc. vehicles, one was an ambulance and there happened to be a doctor on board who could check them out without having to take them to the hospital.

Each of the kids had to be interviewed and our house was thoroughly searched everywhere for over 2 hours! Such invasion of privacy. Meanwhile everyone we talked to at this point tried to be nice and answer our questions as best they could.

We asked who made the charge and if anyone could just make any accusation and they have to act on the call regardless of its validity. They said it could be a hateful neighbor, a prank caller, someone with malicious intent and they still would have to act on the call.

## The call was anonymous and therefore the caller was protected while all our rights were taken away.

I questioned what the possibility of our kids being taken away were if they deemed the charge true, knowing that they would find the MMS which was not hidden since we didn't know of any danger it presented. They talked like the investigation would be drawn out over a 45 day period of time and that it would just involve the kids going to the Little Rock hospital for the test to be done (hair follicle test, blood work etc.) and that there would be interviews and visits etc.

We of course expressed all our concerns as to what this would do to the kids since they've never been to the doctor for sickness or health issues and they've never been away from us in that type of setting.

I insisted if we had to tolerate such an order that I or we as their parents at least be present with them while the procedures were done.

All our neighbors who passed by stopped and tried to find out what in the world was going on and they were all sent away with no explanation. Our guest who when they arrived tried to approach us on the porch did not get far onto our property before she was approach forcefully with an "in your face"

insistence that they leave.

I yelled to her to take pictures of all the vehicles with her phone since we were not allowed to do anything to protect our own innocence at what they were doing to us.

It was about 2 hours before we were let back into our house and yet we still could not have any concerned neighbors come in and be witnesses on our side. They were back and forth all over our house, inside and outside, on the phone and talking to us.

There were over 13 (I couldn't keep track how many) different authorities here. Our phone rang like crazy and no one was allowed to answer it.

Finally one neighbor was able to come in and our phone became ours again. During the times they weren't talking to us I made calls to the guest we were expecting and then some of our neighbors called to see what was going on. I couldn't tell them how it would end but that I'd call them back after they left and let them know what all happened. Our guest still planned to come after they left (they were just driving around waiting for them to leave and the whole time they were here which ended up being around 5 hours) they kept saying "just a few more minutes" or "I'm just waiting for one more phone call."

There was never any hint that they would take our kids from us.

They waited till 15 minutes before it was all over to come in from outside, 6 intimidating brute looking males and 1 DHS female all lined up in our den to tell us they would be taking our kids into their custody for 72 hours.



DHS and sheriff removing children from home. Photo from <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>.

All my niceties left me. I flipped out and told them that what they were going to do to our kids was way worse than what they were accusing us of. They were totally unjust and didn't love our kids like we do..... on and on crying at my helplessness to protect my kids from total strangers who where going to take them away from us under the guise of "protecting" them.

## All the little kids were upset and Hal and I and the girls were all crying and in shock.

They started packing stuff for our kids to have clothes and things while they were gone and my head was spinning in a nightmarish state. They tried to calm me down and I said I had every right to be upset with them because they were taking my babies from me.

When I did calm down for the kids sake, and try to comfort them they ripped them away from us saying that we had already taken too much time and that they had to go.

I grabbed my camera and started following them to take pictures. The pictures did not come out very good because my mind couldn't function on how to operate the camera in such a frenzied state. It was on glitter mode which makes all the bright lit stuff sparkle. I'm very disappointed I didn't get any pictures of all the people and vehicles that were there while it was still daylight.

I still can't believe they are gone. I have no idea what will happen tomorrow or what comes next.

#### **New Video Surfaces From Family**

Somebody has also released a video on YouTube alleging to be the first press statement by the family, uploaded on 1/20/2015, the day before their hearing:

https://youtu.be/UNzJUdeEoA4

## Do We Now Live in a Police State? Take Action!

The family has requested that the public call the following people:

- State Police Headquarters: 501-767-8836
- Kathy Finnegan 501-767-8550 (head investigator at State police department of our case.)

- DHS Department 501-321-2583 on menu choose Dept. of Children and Family
- Garland County Sheriff office Main Office Phone: (501)
   622-3660 ask why did Mike Write make the decision to hold the Stanley kids?
- <u>Judge Wade Naramore</u>, (501) 622-3770 who is presiding over the case in Juvenile Court and ruled that the children must remain in state custody. (<u>Email address listed here</u> Circuit Court Division II .)

<u>Asa Hutchinson is the Governor, and can be contacted here.</u> His <u>Facebook Page is here</u>. Phone number is 501-682-2345.



 $Bring The Stanley Kids Home \ \underline{Facebook \ Page}.$ 

## The Stanley Family has setup a Facebook Page: BringTheStanleyKidsHome

## Mom of 7 Homeschoolers in Arkansas Taken by Authorities Speaks Out



Michelle Stanley: "Wake up America! If this happened to us, it can happen to you."

UPDATE 1/22/2015

See:

## <u>Judge Refuses to Allow Stanley Family</u> <u>Children to Go Home – Issues Gag Order</u>

Day two of hearing started at 9 a.m., on a cold and rainy day. Magellan brings us this update:

https://youtu.be/FpFJ5kNILXE

UPDATE: 1/21/2015

Today's hearing went so long it is suspended until tomorrow morning (Wed. Jan. 21) at 9 a.m. local time.

https://youtu.be/rLV37Io8IYE

<u>Magellan</u> was at the courthouse this afternoon, and filmed this prior to the trial:

https://youtu.be/MGbTkVWK4QY

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Last night (Tues. Jan. 20th) Michelle Stanley, the mother of the 7 children, was interviewed by <u>Magellan</u>, of <u>Blog Talk Radio</u>.

Here are some of the quotes from the mother:

We've been doing the best we can to go from day to day. We can't sleep, we can't eat.

About why the children were taken by authorities:

I don't believe it is about child protection. I think it is more

about taking away our rights, because we believe differently and we do so many things differently. I think I've had all of our convictions that we have stood by for all our lives just ripped away. Our kids are in public school. Next thing it will be vaccinations...

We didn't find out until today (Tues. Jan. 20th) that our court date was tomorrow... They served us the papers less than 24 hours...

And then they made the <u>press statement</u> and switched the issue from... it's not that MMS is not an issue, but I think they realized it is not going to be .... because we got 2 chemical companies now called to defend their products, and they were given all the details which we didn't have the knowledge about... they're shifting it to how bad a parents we are or whatever.... It's about our beliefs. I think they just saw us as an ideal target or something, I don't know...

The interviewer asked her how this all happened. Did someone give the authorities a tip?

On a hot line, the lady read a report that all the kids were running around barefoot in the snow, inadequately dressed, and that my husband had slapped one in the face. When they asked us and the kids were standing right there, we all laughed. Because that is their tradition. When it snows, we run out there and take pictures of the ... footprints in the snow. But every time they build a snowman which they do every time it snows, they bundle up, put plastic gloves on top of their mittens, and plastic bags on top of their shoes just to keep them from getting wet... We have over 200 pairs of shoes! They just choose to go barefoot in the yard sometimes...

They came to our doorstep, took our kids, searched our house, and didn't tell us a single thing. Nothing. We knew nothing until Friday (kids taken on Monday)... They waited until the last second, on purpose, to put us at a disadvantage, until they closed on a 3-day weekend, so that we couldn't get served until then....



Photo from <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>.

## Is DHS Putting Pressure on the Teenagers of this Family to Criticize Their Parents and Trump up Charges?

Here is what the mother said:

There's all these allegations, and I know there are, and they are going to be examining us, and it is going to be very

painful. I don't want to get on that stand and testify against my children or have them testify against me. Because I know it will hurt.

Not knowing anything (when they originally came to the home to remove the children). Why? Of course I had started to form (some conclusions), because they had my two teenagers in their SUV for 5 hours. And they're the worst ones to have in there. I'm going, "oh no..."

#### **Concluding Remarks**

I know the Lord is still on his throne, ... and he is going to work it all out for good.

It is a beautiful family. We've been blessed. And to see it come to this... It will never be the same. I just hate to see it. We thank everybody out there for your prayers, as they are being answered. This is a David and Goliath thing, and we are trusting in the Lord.

She mentioned earlier that a very well-known attorney has come forward to represent them for free.

Listen to the <u>full interview here</u>.

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The family clearly states in this video, that the warrant and issue with DHS was the mineral supplement <u>MMS</u>, while the sheriff department has <u>denied this</u>. The video contains testimony from the father, a neighbor, and the mother.

The hearing will be continued tomorrow in <u>Juvenile Court in</u> <u>Garland County</u>, in Hot Springs Arkansas, at 9:00 a.m.

607 Ouachita Avenue, Hot Springs National Park, AR 71901

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# Judge Refuses to Allow Stanley Family Children to Go Home - Issues Gag Order



Judge Wade Naramore ruled that there was "probable cause" to keep the children in state custody, according to the <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>.

UPDATE 2/16/2015

### 7 Children Kidnapped by State of Arkansas from Homeschool Family to Remain in State Custody

#### **Health Impact News Editor Comments**

Judge Wade Naramore reportedly ruled today in Juvenile Court in Garland County Arkansas that the Stanley Family children could not go home. Friends and relatives of the Stanley family in Arkansas have issued the following statement on the <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>:

The Judge ruled that there is probable cause to temporarily keep the children. There will be another hearing on Feb. 12th. No one is allowed to speak about what has happened in the court room. The Lawyer said he was not surprised. The prosecution had time to put their case together, the defense was given less than 24 hours. He said we now have time to get our case together. Hal and Michelle will have visitations with the children. Thank you all for your prayers and support.

Magellan also brings us this report:

https://youtu.be/q89RIJLKF3I

# Attorneys State Gag Orders in Family Courts are Unconstitutional

Since we have been covering the topic of medical kidnappings here at Health Impact News, we have found that anytime there is media exposure to the inner dealings of child protection services and family or juvenile courts, the judge will almost always issue a gag order. But attorneys outside of the family court system have called into question the legality of these gag orders, and whether or not they are constitutional. See:

<u>Family Court Judges' Unconstitutional Gag</u> <u>Orders On Parents</u>

# Parents Last Statements to the Public Prior to the Gag Order

The parents were recorded on video answering alleged charges made against them prior to today's hearing:

#### https://youtu.be/UNzJUdeEoA4

#### Hal Stanley's Testimony

In the beginning of this video, Hal Stanley describes what happened the night authorities came and took their children away. He states that he and his wife were forced to stand outside in the cold for more than two hours, without their coats, while they searched their home. He states that they produced a search warrant, which stated he was using a substance called MMS. He claims that the "whole issue" for the search was this supplement, which he calls a water purification treatment.

The father then goes on to explain how they took their children out one by one to an ambulance that had been brought to their home, and that there was a doctor who examined each child, and proclaimed each one as "healthy," and that there was no sign of abuse, saying that everything was "fine."

He then relates how they told them to pack two changes of clothes for their children, as they were taking them away, and that they all began to cry.



Hal Stanley: "We want our children back."

Mr. Stanley then explains that after holding the children for 8 days, they found out from a press release that they were being charged with child abuse, even though nobody had told them there were any concerns of child abuse. They received a notice to appear in court less than 24 hours before the scheduled court appearance.

Mr. Stanley explains that he believes most of the charges against them probably came from "one disgruntled teenager." He explains that they are just a normal Christian family that tries to live by the standards of the Bible, and not "fanatics."

#### **Neighbor Testimony**

Next in the video, the Stanley's next door neighbor of 14 years gives his testimony. He states that his family is originally from Nebraska, but that he is now retired. He is a former teacher and school administrator. He talks about how they have watched the Stanley children grow up next door in

a loving family, and is often together with the family for meals.

He talks about how the children are always well-dressed, polite, and eager to help. The family shares their produce with them from their garden.



Stanley's neighbor of 14 years.

The neighbor expresses his love for the family, and states how he and his wife are trying to help out as best they can. He states that he was there when it was announced that they were taking their children away, and that it was hard to watch:

If you have ever seen a mother cry for her family, well, I certainly did. Mother and father, arm in arm crying – that's hard.

#### Michelle Stanley Testimony

Next, Michelle Stanley comes on camera and reiterates that the search warrant was for MMS, and that there were no other allegations made. She says that they did not get to see any charges until they were faxed to their attorney, "afterhours" on Friday, which was the beginning of a 3-day weekend. She explains that their homeschooled children were already put into a public school.

She also explains that during the investigation, nobody asked her and her husband anything, they only talked to the kids. On a previous visit by DHS, she claims that DHS found nothing wrong, and that "they were very comfortable that the kids were safe."

However, she claims that Mike Write of the sheriff department made the decision to remove the children in spite of what the DHS found.

She states that the "two teenagers" were kept in a police vehicle for over 5 hours, and that she was worried what the teenagers might be saying all alone. The teenagers were apparently asked what would happen if they left them at home, and they allegedly replied that the parents would "flee."

Mrs. Stanley then relates how they heard about the charges of child abuse and neglect from the sheriff's press release. She states,

"Anybody who has been in this home knows that these children are not abused and not neglected."



"America, if they can do it to us they can do it to your kids."

She addresses the "friends" who called the authorities and says "shame on you," stating that if they didn't like something about the way they were parenting they could have come directly to them. She explains that whatever charges they bring against her do not justify taking away all her children, and that the younger children "will never be the same."

#### Read the <u>Original Story here</u>.

The public may wand to contact the following people:

- State Police Headquarters: 501-767-8836
- Kathy Finnegan 501-767-8550 (head investigator at State police department of this case.)
- DHS Department 501-321-2583 on menu choose Dept. of Children and Family

- Garland County Sheriff office Main Office Phone: (501)
   622-3660 ask why did Mike Write (or Wright?) make the decision to hold the Stanley kids?
- <u>Judge Wade Naramore</u>, (501) 622-3770 who is presiding over the case in Juvenile Court and ruled that the children must remain in state custody. (<u>Email</u> address listed here Circuit Court Division II.)

<u>Asa Hutchinson is the Governor, and can be contacted here.</u> His <u>Facebook Page is here</u>. Phone number is 501-682-2345.

### 7 Children Kidnapped by State of Arkansas from Homeschool Family to Remain in State Custody



Hal Stanley with his daughter during a supervised visit with their children after they were removed by force from their home.

#### UPDATE 2/20/2015:

Attorney Emord States that Arkansas Seizure of Stanley Kids is an Extraordinary Abuse of State Power

by Terri LaPoint Health Impact News It will be at least "6 more weeks of kidnapping" for the 7 homeschooled, homebirthed Stanley children, according to their father. Hal and Michelle Stanley were given no warning that their court hearing scheduled for February 12 would be abruptly postponed until March 23. They say they were not given any explanation as to why the hearing was postponed.

They had been under the impression that their children would be coming home after the hearing, and had held onto the hope that the crazy situation would be resolved, and their family would be reunited. The pain in their voices was palpable as they expressed their disappointment and grief over the postponement.

The father explains to *Health Impact News* that they are only allowed to visit with their children a few hours a week, under strict supervision. There has to be two observers, and if they talk about things they are not supposed to discuss with their children, the visit is cut short. As a condition to these supervised visits, Hal and Michelle must attend "parenting classes," even though they have homeschooled their children for many years. Hal Stanley is also a 73 year old ordained Southern Baptist Minister.

## Full Tactical Team Showed up to Remove Their Children



Stanley family children being removed from home during the night. Photo from the <u>Bringthestanleykidshome</u> <u>Facebook Page</u>.

Chicken and sausage gumbo was simmering on the stove, and company was expected on the evening of January 12. Instead of welcome guests, a full tactical team surrounded the Stanley home.

Garland County Sheriff's Deputies and DPS entered their home, demanding that Hal and Michelle wait outside in the cold while they searched the house and talked to the children. There were reportedly at least 30 people, including a SWAT team, Arkansas State Troopers, a coroner, a doctor, a dozen cars, a medical van, and a sniper in a ditch allegedly aiming at the parents on the front porch.



DHS and armed sheriff removing homeschool children from their home. Photo courtesy KARK4.

Neighbors have questioned the need for such an excessive show of force for a 73 year old man and a mama whose primary concern is the well-being of their children.

The search warrant was for a water purifier product known as MMS, a substance which is not approved by the FDA for health claims. It is not illegal to possess, however, and may readily be obtained online legally. Hal Stanley reports that he uses it for his garden, where he raises much of the family's food. He also reports that, if they had simply asked for it, he would have given it to them and avoided much pain.

There was no indication that the children were going to be removed until near the end of the 5-hour ordeal. By then, it was after 9 pm, yet the children were allegedly not even permitted to eat their supper before being hauled away from their home. They were told to pack 2 days worth of clothes. But the parents were not permitted to help the little ones

pack.



DHS and sheriff removing children from home. Photo from Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page.

It was supposedly a 72 hour removal. For children as young as 4 years of age who had never spent even one night away from home, the idea was terrifying. There were tears all around, while authorities hurried them out of the house. It was only later that someone got them something to eat.

# Empty House with no Children is now "Too Quiet"

The house is earily quiet now for the couple who has been accustomed to the noise and busyness of lots of children surrounding them. On the night the children were taken, there was all the confusion and emotion of the police taking

the children away, then:

"Five minutes later, we didn't have any children. And we still don't have any children."

#### **Under Attack for Their Way of Life?**

They feel as though they are under attack for their way of life, at the core of which is their Christian faith. Their faith has led them to a lifestyle of homeschooling their children, who were all born at home, and sustainable gardening, providing for their family a home that is full of love but not materialism.

According to Evan Soule, "Hal and Michelle are poor financially but very rich in spirit and love."



Hal Stanley being hugged by the littlest Stanleys during a supervised visit after the children were removed from the home.

In such an environment, as well as in many normal, loving families, children do not always get their way. Just as some kids in public school beg their parents to let them homeschool, a couple of the Stanleys' older children allegedly wanted to go to public school.

According to a letter from a friend of the family that was sent to *Health Impact News*, one of the teens created accusations that were reported to authorities in a creative, yet ill-considered attempt to be able to attend public school, not considering the implications that could devastate younger siblings.

Another friend of the family posted on the Facebook support page <u>Bringthestanleykidshome</u> that the Stanley kids have never shown any signs of being abused.

"I have seen first hand the kids who need help who have been abused and neglected (because I grew up in the foster care system). The Stanleys are not like these kids. They were happy, joyful kids. They knew no fear, they were happy to talk and visit with anyone, smart, well educated, clean, healthy, never sick, love their parents, always smiling. It was said best by someone who has seen them, since they were taken: the smiling Stanleys smiles are fading. You tell me, is this right or just?"

There have been no charges filed against Hal or Michelle Stanley. Even when the children were being removed, the DHS workers reportedly remarked that there was no reason to take the children out of the home. When Mr. Stanley

asked who actually made the decision to take their kids, Garland County Deputy Mike Wright allegedly replied, "I did, and I am proud of it."

#### How to Destroy a Family



Supervised visit after the children were removed from the home by force.

Now the close-knit family is only allowed a few hours per week together, under strict guidelines as to what may or may not be said in the presence of their children. At one visit, Hal says their 4 year old asked:

"Daddy, can you come spend the night with me in my new house?," while referring to his foster guardian as "dad."

The children's lives have been turned upside down, over a claim that the parents say was easily dismissed as invalid,

with no evidence of abuse or neglect. They have been placed in public school, where their parents are concerned that they may not be prepared. They allegedly have been seen wearing clothing that doesn't fit, and shoes that are worn out. Their diet has changed and they no longer are eating their mostly organic, health-based diet. They have never needed to see a doctor before for illness, because they have always been very healthy.

The Stanley parents have always been able to be there for their kids as their protector, and now the state has taken that away from them. They are upset, and feel helpless to take care of their family right now, but they are more angry at the broken system than at any one person. Hal tells us that "there are good people bending over backwards to help our kids, but the system is broken." They were "basically treated like criminals running a meth lab" because of the (not illegal or banned) substance MMS.

Why are These Children Being Kept Away from Their Parents?



Stanley family supervised visit after their children were taken away.

They don't understand why they are being treated like this, and want to know how this kind of injustice can happen. Michelle has dedicated her life to serving her family, making choices that she has believed were in the best interest of her family.

"You can't imagine the horror of it," says Hal, who has served his country in the military from 1960 – 1963. He is appalled at the way the rights that he took an oath to uphold have been completely trampled, as well as a number of Constitutional rights.

MMS has not been mentioned by the authorities in recent weeks, leading some supporters to question what the real motive behind the "kidnapping" is. To some, it appears that the sheriff's department has taken the kids first on allegedly false premises of the home being unsafe, then trying to figure out how to build a case afterwards, fishing for dirt on

the Stanleys. The children were all found to be in excellent health when the doctors checked them, and to date, no one has presented any evidence of abuse or neglect.

So why aren't the Stanley kids home, supporters want to know.

It will be at least 6 more weeks until this ordeal has the possibility of ending, 6 weeks without holding their children, or being there to comfort them when they are hurting. Hal Stanley has no intention of just waiting to see what happens. He wants to learn as much as he can about how to fight back, because he and Michelle have made it clear that they are never giving up on their children.

https://youtu.be/UNzJUdeEoA4

#### **Supporters Are Asking for Your Help**

Friends of the Stanleys supporting them are requesting you contact the following people:

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BringTheStanleyKidsHome Facebook Community Page.

# Attorney Emord: Arkansas Seizure of Stanley Kids is an Extraordinary Abuse of State Power



Attorney Jonathan Emord – Image from YouTube

"When you move the line from defense of children against injury to a State perception of what might be in the better interest of the child, you've gone too far."

#### **Health Impact News Editor Comments**

Constitutional attorney Jonathan Emord hosted the Robert Scott Bell show on Thursday (February 19, 2015), and discussed the current situation in Arkansas where local law enforcement together with social services took custody of Hal and Michelle Stanley's seven homeschooled children by force. (You can read the original story here.)

Starting out by acknowledging that he did not have all the facts, Emord stated that based on what is known, the Arkansas seizure of the Stanley children looks like:

"an abuse of power that is extraordinary."

Emord goes on to state that it is generally recognized that the State has a responsibility to intervene when someone is physically harming a child, and law enforcement is necessary to protect the child from injury. But in an instance where there is no harm, such as in this case, where a doctor on the scene the day the children were taken away declared the children to be healthy, the State is abusing their power. Emord explains that other circumstances, such as living in poverty, or having an unapproved drug, is not justification to take someone's children away.

Emord said that the Stanley children are "essentially incarcerated," because they have been taken by the State and kept away from their parents before there is any trial on the merits of any charges. Emord explains that there is an "epidemic" of this kind of "heavy-handed abuse" happening in other parts of the United States as well:

We have an epidemic in this country of these child welfare services people coming in, .... taking custody, and summarily seizing kids based on arguments of abuse that historically have not amounted to (abuse).

We have reached a status in this country where the historic rights of parents and children to be let alone in the home is now directly in conflict with the expansive State assumption of power over parenting.

When you move the line from defense of children against injury to a State perception of what might be in the better interest of the child, you've gone too far.

Things have changed, because the government is now perceiving its role as a supervisor who can second guess parents.

#### Listen to Jonathan Emord at Epic Times

#### Read more about the Stanleys.

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# 4 Year Old Benjamin Stanley: Why Can't I go Home?



Benjamin Stanley

UPDATE 3/18/2015



4 of the 7 Stanley Children come home. Image from Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page.

UPDATE 3/17/2015

#### Four Stanley Children to Return Home Immediately

From Michelle Stanley:

Today we had what is called a mediation meeting. That is a meeting where

licensed mediators mediate between all the parties involved to try to

come to a mutual agreement that resolves the issues in a way that is

satisfying to all parties. It was estimated that it would take about 3

hours but instead it took nine hours of waiting, discussing, breaking for

lunch, then mediating, and finally in the last 20 minutes an agreement was

made. The court house had to lock up or it would have gone longer.

Because of the paper everyone had to sign before the meeting stating that

everything mentioned during mediation was confidential, we can not give

the details as to what all went on. However the result of the mediation

is that the 4 youngest children will come home tomorrow on a 60 day home

trial basis and the older 3 children will come home on the weekends and

spring break (which happens to be next week.) We will still have the

adjudication hearing on the 23rd but the dynamics of it will be different

since we have reached an agreement today.

That is all we can say for today but we will share more later as we learn

what we can share since the meeting did not close as it should have (with

a discussion as to what everyone would be allowed to say) due to the fact

we ran out of time. We are thrilled that any children are being allowed

to come home because it was our understanding that if no agreement was

made then the chances of them coming home later would be slim do to the

powers we are up against.

So we praise God for the prayers that were answered and ask

everyone to

continue to pray as this is still not over. The transition will be

due to the 2 months of exposure and influence on our children. But we

know that by God's grace his loving mercies are new every day and we can

take it one day at a time. We love you all and again thank each and

everyone of you for your love and support and prayers. It has born fruit

and we give God all the glory for this wonderful victory.

Love, Michelle

#### **Health Impact News Editor Comments**

It has been about 50 days now since a military-style SWAT team arrived at the home of the Stanley family in Arkansas, and removed all seven home-schooled children from the home. The parents have been charged with no crime, let alone been convicted of any wrong doing, and yet the children still remain separated from them, placed in foster care, as the State of Arkansas continues to collect federal funding for each child that has been placed into the foster care system.

Read the last update on the Stanley family that Medical Kidnap published here: <u>7 Children Kidnapped by State of Arkansas from Homeschool Family to Remain in State Custody</u>

Hal Stanley, the father of the children and Baptist minister

who has been required by the State to attend "parenting classes," shared this letter written by a 19 year old girl who prays every day for his children held in captivity.

# Has anyone tried to imagine the Stanley's story through the eyes of 4 year old Benjamin?

by Rebekah Polder

Picture this: His yard has more cars and trucks in it then he has ever seen before. Armed Sheriffs and CPS workers come into his home, searching through his things, his parent's things, the kitchen, the dining room, looking into drawers and closets... what are they doing? He doesn't know.



Benjamin being taken from his home by force. <u>Photo</u> <u>courtesy KARK4.</u>

He's never seen anyone do this before. These people are blowing to pieces every bit of security he has ever known.

They're asking him and his sibling's strange questions as they go on with their strange search. He couldn't possibly understand what's transpiring in his home.

After hours of this torture he is told that he will be taken away by these obviously unkind intruders. In her distress, his mommy tries to comfort him... but he is ripped from her arms... he doesn't want to leave with these people so he's thrown over the shoulder of one of these mean strangers and toted out to an unfamiliar vehicle.

He is driven to a place he has never seen before. Strangers are all around him telling him what to do.

Where is mommy and daddy? He is sat at an unfamiliar table and given food that he is probably too upset and confused to eat. Where are the rest of his brothers and sisters? They're not all here. Did some of them get to stay home with mommy and daddy? Why? Don't they want to take care of him anymore? Maybe they love them better. But why? He's a good little boy too! Why are all of these things happening?

All of his mixed-up questions go unanswered. He probably cries himself to sleep... only to dream the whole nightmare over again... Mean strangers coming into his home and going through his things, being ripped from his crying mommy's arms, being thrown over the big Sheriff's shoulder and being taken away to a strange place. Waking up, he needs to be reassured of his security by mommy and daddy. Where are they?

There are only strangers around to try and comfort him in his despair. He is forced to try to adjust to this hard, unnatural lifestyle. He's encouraged to call one of the strangers of the house "Dad". But wait, he already has a "Daddy" at home. He has two daddies now? He never had before. He is so confused... He begs to go home but is refused.



A supervised visit after the children were removed from the home. Benjamin is sitting on his daddy's lap.

Later on he gets to "visit" with mommy and daddy in a strange place. They aren't allowed to talk about all of the horrible things that happened on the 12th of January. Why? It was scary and he wants to know why it all happened. When the visit is over he is all the more confused. Why can't he go home with mommy and daddy? Can they at least come back with him?

He is refused once again. But why? He needs his parents. Why is he not allowed to stay with the people that have always loved and taken such good care of him? None of this mixed-up situation makes sense to him...

Benjamin and his siblings are still not back home with their

parents. It has been 49 days since he was taken away from his happy home. He only gets to "visit" with his mommy and daddy twice a week! He has only gotten to go back to his home a couple times since the big ordeal. He still cannot contemplate what has happened over the last month and a half... He should and needs to be back with his parents and the government won't allow him to go home.

The Stanleys haven't been charged with any crimes, because there are no crimes to be found.

"When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence. For thou hast maintained my right and my cause; thou satest in the throne judging right." Psalm 9:3-4

Rebekah Polder

Source: <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>

Please continue to stand with the Stanleys. We must make our voices heard. Please contact your pastors, family members, friends, neighbors, homeschool groups, attorneys and judges. We all need to stand up for what is right and get the word out about what is happening in our country. The Stanleys can't stand up alone. We have a responsibility as their brothers and sisters in Christ to bear their burdens and to take up their cause!

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# Warrant Issuing Judge in Stanley Children Kidnapping Case Forces Sheriff to Reveal Documents



Garland County Deputy Sheriff Sgt. Michael Wright (left) led a gestapo-type raid of the Stanley family home on January 12, 2015 and kidnapped 7 children. Photo courtesy KARK4.

#### UPDATE 4/15/2015

The judge in Juvenile Court today has just ordered the family to have a psychologist in the home 20 hours a week to "promote harmony" in the family. Judge Wade Naramore can be contacted here.

Health Impact News and MedicalKidnap.com Staff

Reporter Clay Herrmann of the Hot Springs Daily News in Hot Springs Arkansas has published copies of the Search Warrant, the Affidavit for the Search Warrant, and the Search Warrant Return form used to take the seven children out of the Stanley home on January 12, 2015 with the full force of a tactical SWAT-style team. As has previously been reported, the children were removed by Garland County Deputy Sheriff Sgt. Michael Wright, against the protests of social service workers and a medical team who were present at the scene and saw nothing warranting the children's removal.

Until Mr. Herrmann's investigative report, the Affidavit for the Search Warrant could not be located, even after attempts to procure it were made by the family's attorney. Mr. Herrmann went directly to the judge who issued the warrant:

Following the nightmare at their home, the Stanleys became aware that there was supposed to be an affidavit attached to the single page search warrant they were served. The attorney they have engaged to represent them, Q Byrum Hurst, was also aware of the missing affidavit. Their repeated efforts to discover if it existed, and if so to obtain a copy from the Circuit Clerk's office, from the Juvenile Court, or elsewhere were all unsuccessful. Attorney Q Byrum Hurst stated that in response to their subpoena of GCSD Investigator Michael Wright for a deposition, his response was that he didn't have to tell them anything because there was an ongoing criminal investigation.



<u>Judge Lynn Williams</u>, Garland County Courthouse Rm 203

In hopes of being able to find out something regarding the missing affidavit, I went to the Judge who signed the search warrant on the second floor of the County Courthouse. Circuit Judge Lynn Williams was able to see me shortly after I arrived, and confirmed that there had to be an affidavit attached to the warrant. We discussed the fact that the Stanleys were not provided a copy of the affidavit which is referenced as attached in the search warrant, and that despite repeated efforts on the part of the Stanley's legal counsel they were unable to procure a copy or even to verify the existence of the affidavit. I had also been unsuccessful in getting information on the case from the Circuit Clerk, the Juvenile Court, or the Sheriff's office, all three citing confidentiality of Juvenile Court.

Judge Williams explained that he is NOT a Juvenile Judge, and that he signed a search warrant that alleged criminal activity. He considered that his search warrant, affidavit, and return should be filed as a public record with the Circuit Clerk ... with his Circuit Clerk at the other end of the hall, and so

saying removed his judicial black robe inviting me to accompany him as he got to the bottom of this. His armed Court Security Officer accompanied us as well, and we followed Judge Williams as he proceeded with deliberation down the hall, into the Circuit Clerk's entry, and deeper in to where the ladies were who take care of his court records.

"We don't have it. It never passed through here" he was told. They suggested that it must be at Juvenile Court, which is where the Court Security Officer and I promptly followed Judge Williams to next. Breezing by security with the Judge, I waited in a chair while his Honor went after his search warrant package. But he returned empty-handed.

He explained that fellow Circuit Judge Wade Naramore was present in the building, but his court was in session. He further remarked that a judge can go into another judge's courtroom and interrupt the proceedings to let the presiding judge know that a brief word was needed with him outside ... which he did. "Can't dare do that when you are just a lawyer." As it turned out, Juvenile Court didn't have the search warrant package either.

"That leaves only one place left where it could be", Judge Williams pronounced. The Court Security Officer and I followed him to the Sheriff's Office. Again I sat in a chair and waited as sheriff department personnel worked to locate GCSD Criminal Investigator Sgt. Michael Wright for Judge Williams. The Judge eventually went through a secure door to the right of the welcome counter of the Sheriff's office. He was gone for perhaps fifteen minutes give or take a little, but emerged with papers in hand accompanied by Sgt. Wright.

"I want to show you the originals of these before making you a copy," Judge Williams said addressing me now standing beside him at the counter along with Deputy Wright and several other persons in audience. He carefully described what each sheet was, one page at a time, as he laid them down spread out side-by-side: Search Warrant, two-page Affidavit for the Search Warrant, Search Warrant Return with hand-written itemization of property seized at the Stanley home, and a typed copy (for legibility) of the Return. Deputy Wright made me a copy of all five pages which I accepted with gratitude. Shaking hands with Judge Williams and Deputy Wright, I thanked them and left with a copy of all five pages of the Stanley Search Warrant package, which you can now view here.

You can view all the Search Warrant documents on the <u>Hot Springs Daily website</u>.



Stanley photo supplied to <u>Hot Springs Daily</u> showing that the original bottle of MMS was not even confiscated during the raid.

The affidavit submitted to the judge to issue the warrant clearly presented the presence of a mineral substance, MMS, as the primary reason for the warrant. And yet in the Search Warrant Return document, the bottle of MMS was not even confiscated. If Judge Williams had done a little bit of homework prior to issuing the warrant, he might have learned that this supplement was not illegal, and was no more dangerous than common household cleaners. As Mr. Herrmann notes:

The Stanley's alleged crime was not possession, manufacture, or distribution of Meth in the county that Sheriff Mike McCormick reports has reputation as the "Meth capitol of the State". Nor was it possession, distribution, or use of heroin, or any other controlled or illegal substance. (Evidently serving warrants at the many Garland County homes with children in them where those activities are known to be going on can wait.) Rather, the allegation made against the Stanley parents is that the legal MMS substance was used in ways that criminally endangered the well-being of the children.

The bottle and remaining MMS left on the bathroom shelf has since been disposed of ... by the Stanleys. Those executing the search warrant did however inexplicably confiscate a bottle of hydrogen peroxide as listed on the Search Warrant Return. Against the objections of DHS personnel on the scene, and contrary to the task force physician, after dark on that Monday night, they also confiscated seven minor children and took them away.

## Are Citizens of Arkansas Willing to Live in a Police State??



The Stanley children being removed from their home by force.

So far, no criminal charges have been filed against the father Hal Stanley, or any other family member. And yet, the State retains custody of their children. Some of the younger children have been allowed to return home, but DHS continues to have custody and make incredible demands on how the parents are to raise their children.

Why did it take a judge to force Deputy Sheriff Sgt. Michael Wright to finally release the search warrant documents? When the family attorney tried to obtain them via a subpoena, Deputy Wright reportedly stated that he didn't have to tell them anything because there was an ongoing criminal investigation in Juvenile Court. Can the sheriff department, Juvenile Court, and DHS continue to conspire together and violate this family's civil rights and destroy them in the process? No criminal charges have been filed against the parents.

If you are a citizen of the United States living in Garland County Arkansas, maybe it is time to take action if you do not want to continue living in a police state where authorities can come and kidnap your children with no criminal charges filed. If Sgt. Wright does not believe he has to give an account of his actions because he can hide in Juvenile Court, maybe it is time for a Citizens vs. Garland County Sheriff Department complaint to be filed in Garland County, and specifically against Mike Wright.



Garland County Sheriff McCormick.

The Stanleys need help. They cannot fight this battle alone. Any citizen in the County can file a complaint against the Sheriff department. Sheriff Michael McCormick is an elected official, and his actions and the actions of his staff are directly accountable to the citizens of his county. He has actually taken an oath to protect the rights of you, the citizens. If he and his staff are not doing their job, YOU the citizens need to take action to hold them accountable.

Band together and hire the best attorney available, and file a complaint to stop these abuses of power immediately, or they may come for your children next.

Original Story about the Stanley Family Children Kidnapping:

Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement

### Foster Care Children are Worse Off than Children in Troubled Homes - The Child Trafficking Business



Social worker and Sheriff's deputy removing a homeschool child from her family by force. Story here.

#### by Brian Shilhavy Health Impact News Editor

Children taken away from troubled families and put into foster care do not do as well as children left in troubled homes. This fact is not even in dispute. So why does the current system still exist, when it is clearly destroying the lives of so many children?

## Studies Show Children are Worse Off in Foster Care

There have been numerous reports published over the past several years that clearly show the current foster care system is an abysmal failure. Children who stay with parents who are accused (but not arrested or convicted) of "abuse" or "neglect" clearly do better than most of the children being put into foster care.

In 2007 Joseph Doyle, an economics professor at MIT's Sloan School of Management, published a study which tracked at least 15,000 kids from 1990 to 2002. It was the largest study of its kind at that time.

USA Today ran a story on the report – <u>Study: Troubled homes</u> <u>better than foster care</u>. Here are some excerpts:

Children whose families are investigated for abuse or neglect are likely to do better in life if they stay with their families than if they go into foster care, according to a pioneering study. Kids who stayed with their families were less likely to become juvenile delinquents or teen mothers and more likely to hold jobs as young adults.

Doyle's study.... provides "the first viable, empirical evidence" of the benefits of keeping kids with their families, says Gary Stangler, executive director of the Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative, a foundation for foster teens. Stangler says it looked at kids over a longer period of time than had other studies. "It confirms what experience and observation tell us: Kids who can remain in their homes do better than in foster care," says Stangler.

#### Read the <u>full study here</u>.

Joseph Doyle did another study, one year later in 2008, comparing children left in troubled homes with foster care children to see which group was more likely to be arrested as adults. The study looked at 23,000 children, and it found that "children placed in foster care have arrest, conviction, and imprisonment rates as adults that are three times higher than those of children who remained at home." Read the <u>full study here</u>.

## Why Is This Failed System Allowed to Continue?

In his 2007 study, Joseph Doyle gives clear evidence as to why the foster care system is still in existence, even with such abysmal results:

Although foster care is meant to be a temporary arrangement, children stay in care for an average of two years, and there are currently over 500,000 children in care (US Department of Health and Human Services 2005). Roughly 60 percent of foster children return home; 15 percent are adopted; and the remainder "age out" of foster care (Fred C. Wulczyn, Kristen Brunner Hislop, and Robert M. Goerge 2000).

Three quarters of these children live with substitute families, one-third of which are headed by relatives of the children. These families are paid a subsidy of approximately \$400 per month per child (Child Welfare League of America 1999), and states spend over \$20 billion each year to administer these child protective services (Roseana Bess et al. 2002).

The foster care system is a \$20 billion taxpayer funded business, employing tens of thousands of people in the United States. Do we really expect government employees, which include not only social service workers but juvenile and family court judges and employees, to advocate putting themselves out of a job?

#### What is the Solution?

There is only one solution, since the system is so corrupt and beyond reform: Abolish it.

All federal funding for foster care and adoption should immediately be abolished. Let local law enforcement arrest and prosecute criminal parents the same as any other suspected criminal, rather than incarcerating the alleged victims by kidnapping them. Criminal parents are the ones who should be removed from homes, not innocent children.

Without the more than \$20 billion in federal funding used for trafficking children, far fewer children will be taken from their homes. In cases where parents are removed with due process of law, the incentives in local communities would be to place the children with relatives, rather than the State.

For the very few remaining children who have had their parents incarcerated and have no relatives, local communities can develop their own programs without federal funding, which would include adoption to parents who can afford to take care of children without the aid of federal funds.

It is time the American tax payer stops funding the U.S. child trafficking business, which is nothing more than a modern-day form of slavery.

For those just being introduced to the topic of medical kidnapping and child trafficking via foster care for the first time, and having doubts that this is real, or thinking that we are exaggerating the problem, please review these previous articles where former CPS whistleblowers explain how this is in fact happening.

The U.S. Foster Care System: Modern Day Slavery and Child Trafficking

<u>Child Kidnapping and Trafficking: A Lucrative U.S.</u>
<u>Business Funded by Taxpayers</u>

From Child Protection to State-sponsored Child Kidnapping: How Did we Get Here?

<u>Senator Nancy Schaefer: Did her Fight Against</u> <u>CPS Child Kidnapping Cause her Murder?</u>

# Stanley Family Gets Custody Back of 4 Youngest Children - 3 Older Children Still in State Custody



The Stanley Family is greeted by supporters outside of the Garland County Arkansas Court House. <u>Image courtesy Arkansas Herald.</u>

#### **Health Impact News**

A review hearing in Garland County Juvenile Court in Arkansas yesterday resulted in the case being closed for the four younger Stanley children. The parents now have full custody back of these four children. The three older Stanley children, however, remain in State custody. They are allowed to live at home with 20 hours a week DHS supervision in the home. (Read the original story here.)

Marci Smith of the Arkansas Herald interviewed both the family's attorney and the parents outside the courthouse.

#### https://youtu.be/ejuT7o-OzVM

The family's attorney, Q. Byrum Hurst, Jr., stated that he was confident that the entire case could be closed "within a reasonable period of time."

#### Attorney Speaks out on State Coerced Education and Counseling as a Condition for Getting Children Back



Attorney Q. Byrum Hurst, Jr. <u>Image courtesy Arkansas</u> Herald.

To obtain custody back of their four youngest children, the parents, Hal and Michelle Stanley, had to undergo extensive "training" and "counseling" by the State, and allow them to enter their home at will during that time. The Statemandated "training" and "counseling" was about parenting skills, in spite of the fact that the parents have been homeschooling their children for many years.

When asked if he thought the intensive training and counseling requirements imposed by the State was deserved and helpful, Attorney Hurst replied:

No, I don't think it was deserved. It was done for the purposes of getting their children back. It is a shame that they had to do that.

Everybody can use education, everybody can use suggestions on how to raise your children, but to have it forced on you, I don't think it is beneficial.

## Parents Disappointed that State Control Over Family to Continue



Image courtesy Arkansas Herald.

Marci Smith interviewed the parents exiting the courthouse, and Hal Stanley, the father, expressed his disappointment that the State was to maintain custody of their 3 older children.

I am really disappointed. I was expecting all the children to be returned to our custody. There's still no charges against us, there's still no reason for the children to be in their custody. We feel as parents we can make decisions (about our children) better than DHS can.

Michelle Stanley expressed her appreciation that at least the children were home, and they were able to spend Mother's Day together. She posted pictures on the Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page.



Michelle issued her own personal statement as well:

Greetings to all our friends and loved ones,

Today was our review hearing and as it turned out the judge ruled that we now have full custody over our 4 youngest children. The older 3 children have not finished their 60 day in home trial visit. They wanted to wait for the 60 day trial visit to end successfully before giving us custody of the older 3. Their 60 days ends on June 15 or 16 but the court decided it would be willing to entertain an order to close the case before then should the two therapist that are seeing our family recommend it. Until then all the services will continue and another court review hearing is scheduled for July 1st should our case still be open at that time. We are hoping it will end before then and that there will be no more court dates and the sooner services end the sooner we can get on with our lives.

On a more personal basis we are happy all of our children are home and we are now in the process of preparing for the new little one to arrive, the due date being May 30th. We are really stretched thin with all that is going on to keep things functioning but we accept the challenge and are doing all we can to make things work and be ready for the baby when it comes. The Lord continues to keep us and meet our needs on a daily basis and we don't take for granted all the prayers that are being prayed for us. We give God the glory and pray for his will to be done in our lives.

Love, Michelle

#### Citizens in Arkansas are Enraged - Speak Out



Image courtesy Arkansas Herald.

Marci Smith interviewed Nancy Emmons from Arkansas who has been following the Stanley case.

The people of Arkansas, we really need to wake up and listen to what has happened to the Stanleys. Never in our wildest dreams would we have figured that somebody could come in the night and take your children away from you.

I want you to know that this family is a wonderful family. They're self sufficient, they homeschool, they grow their own food, they are just really self-sufficient. This has been very stressful for the parents and the children.

I want Arkansas to understand – everyone of you need to listen: It could happen to you.

**Original Story on the Stanleys** 

## "Terrorism" of Child Welfare System to Families to Be Addressed in Arkansas Legislature



Stanley children were taken away from their family in January. Source: <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>.

#### by Health Impact News/MedicalKidnap.com Staff

Families caught up in dealing with Child Protective Services nationwide are frustrated with a system which allows families to be terrorized and destroyed, often based on unproven allegations and even outright lies. Legislators in Arkansas will be hearing from families and attorneys on Thursday, October 1 at 1:00 pm in a Joint Performance Review Committee meeting, who will be explaining why

there needs to be an overhaul or even elimination of the current child welfare system.

#### Purpose:

To build support for reform (or complete destruction) of the child welfare system if necessary, among the members of Congress by presenting our experiences as subjects and victims of the system. There will also be people from DHS and ASP who are subpoenaed to more or less answer for and justify their actions.

Hal Stanley represents one of the families who will be present at the hearing. Their homeschooled children were taken away from them in January on the basis of a mineral supplement in their home that the FDA has warned against, but is not illegal. The children are home now, but the Stanleys are determined to have legislators understand the incredible damage done to innocent families, like theirs, when Child Protective Services separate children from their parents without evidence of wrong-doing.

See story here:

Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement



The younger Stanley children hugging their father during a visit after being taken by Child Protective Services. Photo courtesy of Stanley family.

Here is information about the hearing posted on the Stanley family's Facebook page:

#### Call to action!

Above in the next post is an open letter written by our lawyer Joe Churchwell to members of the Arkansas Legislature and Governor Asa Hutchinson. It is being sent out today and is prelude to this Thursday's Senate hearing where Hal Stanley and others will be speaking out against the ASP (Arkansas State Police) CACD (Crimes Against Children Division) and DHS (Department of Human Services.) Legislators have the power and authority to change laws but will they? This is our chance to pack the gallery and make a statement to all our state legislators letting them know how important parental and family rights are to their constituents. If you can make it there the information is below. If you can't make it then

consider making calls to your representatives and wake them up to what Senator Alan Clark and others are doing so they can support Senator Clark and help make the much needed change that will truly help and protect children by protecting families. Senator Clark and a few other representatives have spent hundreds of hours researching the issues at hand and truly want to make a difference but can't fight the "system" alone. They need all the help they can get to make this happen.

Here are the details:

#### SPECIAL MEETING:

#### Name:

The Joint Performance Review Committee
It is a combination of 30 state Senators and Representatives whose purpose is to review the performance of State Agencies to determine if there is any need to make changes.

#### Time:

Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. (It begins at 1:00 but parking is scarce so may need to get there a little early.)

#### Place:

The Big Mac Building in down town Little Rock

1 Capitol Mall, Little Rock, AR 72201

The meeting will be held in Room A on the 5th Floor.

You can visit this site and get directions how to get there.

https://foursquare.com/v/big-mac-building/4b5f6268f964

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Big Mac Building. Photo source: Foursquare.com

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#### Agenda to carry out purpose:

The Stanley family's tragedy and the horror stories of three other families will be presented then followed by Bill Viser to discuss the traumatization caused by the intervention of the Agency and removal of children from their homes and families.

After Dr. Viser, a fourth person who was recently fired from his state job as a licensed counselor (as a result of a true finding) will testify.

This meeting will be a continuation of the overview of the Child Maltreatment Registry, the Attorney Ad Litem Program

and the Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA) Program, plus termination of parental rights, adoptions, and non-adoptions. Members will hear from Hal Stanley, and Joseph Churchwell, attorney Hot Springs, concerning matters with the Division of Children and Family Services, AR DHS. The meeting is open to the public and the gallery holds around 130 people. We would like all of you to come. Hal's purpose for speaking before this committee is to help gain support and call for transparency so our state legislature can make changes to the laws which allowed our situation to occur. Pray! Especially you folks in Little Rock. Get all your friends who love family and parental rights to come. And if you can't come at least call your representatives to let them know you care about this because what happen to us can very well happen to you and has happened to others.

Thank you for your support and God bless. Let make this happen  $\stackrel{\odot}{=}$ 

Michelle

#### Attorney – "Terrorism" Is An Inadequate Term To Describe What CPS Puts Families Through

Here is the letter by attorney Joe Churchwell to members of the Arkansas Legislature and Governor Asa Hutchinson, which spells out in great detail the damage done to families by the child welfare system:

Open Letter to Members of the Legislature and Governor Asa Hutchinson On the evening of January 12th, 2015 the Stanley family's lives would be instantly and drastically changed forever. Based upon extreme and fantastic allegations of abuse and neglect (including intentional poisoning) a doctor equipped with diagnostics had acompanied the State Police, Garland County Sheriff's Dept., DHS, Garland County Coroner, and a SWAT team to the Stanley's home to examine the Stanley children for signs of neglect or abuse. This was the first doctor to have ever touched the Stanley children. No child of the Stanley's had never stepped foot in a doctor's office or hospital in their lives, yet he concluded that they were all healthy and lacked nothing in the way of medical care. Moreover, there was absolutely no evidence of neglect or abuse.

Despite this the children were removed from their home and separated from their parents by the Garland County Sheriff's Department. A Dependent Neglect case was opened, "services" ordered, hoops and hurdles and obstacles were placed between the parents and children. After being forcefully removed from their home and separated from their parents, the children were interrogated, showered, deloused, intrusively inspected, and placed in a strange place by strange people with no idea why or for how long. This was the very first night of many of these young children's lives that they were not to be placed in their own beds by their parents after giving thanks for the blessings bestowed upon them by their Creator. The State held these children as captive as criminals while the parents jumped through the hoops, over the hurdles, and navigated the unnecessary and belittling obstacles placed before them (although these parents had at that time home-birthed, home schooled, and provided for nine children single-handedly, they were ordered to attend parenting classes among other "services").

In time, the parents were allowed occasional, brief periods of

supervised visitation with the children. After a few months the four youngest were returned home, and within approximately 6 months all of the Stanley children were given back to the parents that had burned, beaten, poisoned, and neglected them (according to the findings of Kathy Finnegan of the Arkansas State Police), but not before they were enrolled in public schools and indoctrinated by the State. During this time the children were forced into a way of life and a philosophy that was contrary to this family's values and principles. In short, their innocence was lost and their way of life discredited while the Authorities showed them that there was no security in family and that they and their parents were worthless and powerless.

Ms. Finnegan substantiated the abuse and neglect citing 21 offenses against Hal and Michelle Stanley. 12 for educational neglect, 1 for bruising, 6 for poisoning, 1 for burning, and 1 for striking a child in the face or head; none of which are legitimate or supported by the evidence. To elaborate:

If the Arkansas State Police (ASP) Crimes Against Children Division (CACD) had followed protocol (in other words, obeyed the law they are sworn to uphold) none of these findings could have been supported by the evidence; not even when one takes the report prepared by the investigator as factual, credible, and reads it in a light most favorable to the state, or in a light least favorable to the Stanleys.

In my experience I have come to believe that there are two ways that erroneous true findings of abuse and neglect are determined by a child maltreatment investigator. They are either produced intentionally or incompetently. Intentionally produced true findings are a vehicle for punishment if the accused is perceived as being uncooperative, nonforthcoming, defiant or rude. In Hal and Michelle Stanley's case, Finnegan implies in her Administrative Summary that

she had no choice but to substantiate the allegations as a result of the Stanley's refusal to submit to her interrogation. The truth is, nobody refused, and the Stanleys testified at great length under both direct and cross examination during the dependent neglect probable cause hearing, wherein the State was given an unlimited opportunity to question the Stanleys. Both were perfectly candid and forthcoming in their testimony.

A colleague of mine, James Murray, calls this sort of behavior "Contempt of Cop".

The erroneous true findings of abuse and neglect that are produced by incompetence are easy enough to identify. There is a clear and concise manual (Publication 357) that defines the offenses of abuse and neglect contained within the Child Maltreatment Act. It does so for each offense separately and in great detail, and then it lists the elements of the offense; or the required evidence and acts or omissions of the parent/quardian or unrelated offender that must be **present** for an investigator to make a true finding. PUB-357 was promulgated long ago by DHS and is quite easy to follow and understand; provided that one can read and comprehend at a 3rd or 4th grade level. Because Investigators are required to have a baccalaureate degree, one may logically deduce that the protocol is either being ignored intentionally or the training and supervision within these agencies is grossly inadequate. The regulations and agreement between DHS and the ASP mandates that ASP investigators follow the same protocol as the DHS investigators.

Kathy Finnegan of the ASP testified before the Joint Performance Review Committee on July 30th, 2015, that she follows PUB-357's guidelines in every case when determining if an allegation is true or false. Her commander, Major Ron Stayton was also present and testified that Finnegan's supervisor, Michelle Gatlin and he were both involved with, and approved the true findings in the Stanley case.

There are only three possible explanations for Maj. Stayton and Ms. Finnegan's testimony regarding the use of PUB-357 in substantiating the Stanley investigation.

- 1. Major Stayton and Ms. Finnegan perjured themselves before the Joint Performance Review Committee;
- Major Stayton and Ms. Finnegan are unable to read and comprehend the information contained within an investigative file and apply those facts to very simple and clear elements contained within PUB-357; or
- Major Stayton and Ms. Finnegan used a completely different Stanley family investigative file than was provided to their counsel by the Central Registry.

All players involved in Child Welfare, especially the investigators, know that a true finding (even if successfully appealed and overturned) can be disastrous to a family. The statewide average in Arkansas for true findings of abuse and neglect that were overturned on appeal in fiscal year 2015 is 45%. In Area 9, (Ms. Finnegan's Area) 70% of true findings that were appealed during that same period were overturned.

During the afore-mentioned JPRC hearing, Sen. Alan Clark asked Maj. Stayton what his thoughts were about the fact that nearly one-half of all appealed true findings during the fiscal year 2015 were overturned on appeal. His initial response to a 45% reversal of true findings appealed was that the "system is working". For whom the system works, he did not say. A follow up response by Major Stayton was that

he did not feel that all of those reversed cases were decided correctly by the Administrative Law Judges. Both statements were direct and bold and made with no remorse or concern whatsoever for the enormous costs to those 45% falsely convicted of abuse and or neglect. I have yet to hear one person within DHS or ASP admit that when a parent, guardian, or other provider suffers harm as a result of an erroneous true finding, this damage and harm is also injuring those very children that the agency congratulates themselves for "protecting".

A true finding on a provider also injures children that are not even the subject of the abuse or neglect (whether actual or not). Relationships between siblings and 1/2 siblings suffer when custody is changed or visitation is suspended.

The monetary costs can run into tens of thousands of dollars before you can blink an eye. There are court costs and attorney's fees, loss of time at work to jump through the Agencies' hoops. It costs time and money to attend hearings, and to exercise supervised visitation under the suspicious eve of the Department. The accused parent must be "in compliance" with Agency plans and participate in what are often unnecessary "services" such as counseling, psych evals, anger management, parenting classes etc. Add to that the enormous emotional toll from the stress, diminished relationships with children, and tarnished reputation to name only a few repercussions. Any person with a job or career that requires licensure, works near children, impaired adults, or **any** state employee is practically quaranteed to lose his or her livelihood. Children do without when providers lose jobs, whether the children are in that provider's custody or their custodian's child support ceases as a result of losing his or her job. If the provider isn't terminated, Christmases, birthdays, camps, vacations, recreation and other non-essentials often disappear as the

families' discretionary income disappears, and their quality of life is diminished. I have been speaking of working middle class America. The poor and unsophisticated have absolutely no chance at all, and the working middle class can be bankrupted and dismantled by a spiteful ex-spouse, or any other person or entity with an axe to grind, by a single phone call to the State Police Child Abuse Hotline.

This is all true even when children are **not** taken away from their families of origin by force, and subsequently isolated from their extended families. I cannot even begin to comprehend the trauma that victims of removal and isolation must experience. The children that are victims of neglect or abuse at home are doubly victimized by the very intervention meant to protect them. Often times the intervention is more damaging than the abuse or neglect.

The damage is swift, sure and quickly becomes permanent.

Now this next bit of information you may not believe: the investigative protocol of the Agencies allow a single investigator to gather evidence, interview witnesses, judge the witnesses' credibility, decide relevance of and weigh the remaining evidence and then ultimately decide innocence or guilt. The child abuse investigator is the detective, prosecutor, judge, jury and executioner. The investigator is given absolute power, and well..... you know the rest.

When true findings are made in anger or retribution (contempt of cop) the actions of the agency are corrupt and criminal in nature. Even the most disciplined and principled investigator that genuinely does his or her dead level best to make a reasoned, objective determination, cannot possibly do so consistently. Human nature and the responsibility of a single person performing all of the functions mentioned above, precludes objectivity when working within the

confines of an entirely subjective process.

Now please consider this: All of these government employees operate within a completely secret administration, in closed proceedings, with sealed files and have no checks or balances other than legislative oversight. Can you name the members, or ex-officio panel members or even the committee or subcommittee that these agencies answer to?

Whether erroneous true findings by investigators are made intentionally or incompetently is immaterial, as either is absolutely unacceptable when the stakes are as high as the loss of the fundamental family unit and its right to exist free from governmental intrusion. But alas, and notwithstanding how the erroneous true findings against the Stanley's materialized, the corruption extends beyond the investigative outcome. ASP and DHS authorities are painfully aware that the true findings are inappropriate in the Stanley case and are not supported by the evidence. Still, the powers that be refuse to admit this, and are forcing the Stanleys to appeal the findings.

I personally believe that the Garland County Sheriff's Dept. and the State Police CACD are primarily responsible for the Stanley tragedy; however, DHS is responsible for providing legal representation on behalf of the ASP at the administrative appeal hearing October 9th. DHS can and should refuse to defend these baseless findings, and force the ASP to evaluate the personnel and protocol and begin meaningful reform. They have thus far refused to do so, therefore, DHS is aiding and abetting, and is as culpable as the ASP.

Hal Stanley, Alex White, Dr. Claire Kelly, Kanoe Fendley and Bridgette Brantley have agreed to share with the JPRC on Oct. 1st, at 1:00 p.m., their experiences as victims of false reports,

erroneous true findings, and being subjects of a child maltreatment investigation. Dr. William R. Viser will discuss the trauma caused by the primary intervention of removing children from their homes and isolating them from their families.

I honestly cannot recall the number of men and women involved with DHS and ASP that I have consulted with and or represented in my career. I do however recall the word most often used to describe their feelings, and that word is terrified. No word better describes the tactics of an entity that's primary intervention is to enter one's home, remove one's children, and place them in an undisclosed location with unidentified adults and children for as long as it wishes. Combine that with the authority to place those children for adoption should it choose to do so, while acting in complete secrecy. Perhaps the most egregious part of all is that this action may be set into motion by an anonymous phone call requiring no more evidence than the reporter's statement. if one considers the totality of the circumstances, terrorism is no longer an adequate descriptor for the actions taken in the name of "protecting the children".

Please join us on October 1st and help us reestablish the rights of the American Family.

Joe Churchwell

## "Terrorism Is An Inadequate Term To Describe What CPS Puts Families Through" - Arkansas Attorney Joe Churchwell



Hal Stanley (facing camera) receives advice from Attorney Joe Churchwell at a legislative hearing last year.

#### by Brian Shilhavy Editor, Health Impact News

Arkansas attorney Joseph Churchwell was interviewed by Tammi Stefano this past week on the <u>National Safe Child Show</u>. Attorney Churchwell has seen first hand the corruption of "Child Protection Services" (CPS) in his state,

the state of Arkansas, including the way they tried to destroy the homeschooling family of Hal and Michelle Stanley last year, which we covered here on MedicalKidnap.com. See:

## Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement

Attorney Churchwell, who represents families in his state in their fight against the corruption in child social services in Arkansas, agrees with the late Georgia Senator Nancy Schaefer, who stated that CPS is too corrupt to be reformed, and needs to be abolished. Senator Nancy Schaefer wrote and said:

I have witnessed such injustice and harm brought to these families that I am not sure if I even believe reform of the system is possible! The system cannot be trusted. It does not serve the people. It obliterates families and children simply because it has the power to do so. Children deserve better. Families deserve better. It's time to pull back the curtain and set our children and families free.

Attorney Churchwell agrees, and he stated in his interview with Tammi Stefano that federal funding and financial incentives tied to quotas to take children away from their families and put them into state custody in the foster care system, needs to be abolished.

#### Is CPS a "Terrorist" Organization?



Stanley children in Arkansas taken away from their family during the night. They had never spent a night away from home prior to this. Source: <u>Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page</u>.

Appearing before *The Joint Performance Review Committee* in the Arkansas State Legislature last October, Churchwell sent a letter to the Arkansas Legislature and Governor Asa Hutchinson where he stated:

I honestly cannot recall the number of men and women involved with DHS and ASP that I have consulted with and or represented in my career.

I do however recall the word most often used to describe their feelings, and that word is terrified. No word better describes the tactics of an entity that's primary intervention is to enter one's home, remove one's children, and place them in an undisclosed location with unidentified adults and children for as long as it wishes.

Combine that with the authority to place those children for adoption should it choose to do so, while acting in complete secrecy. Perhaps the most egregious part of all is that this action may be set into motion by an anonymous phone call requiring no more evidence than the reporter's statement.

If one considers the totality of the circumstances, terrorism is no longer an adequate descriptor for the actions taken in the name of "protecting the children."

Attorney Joe Churchwell in one of the few attorneys across the nation that has not turned a blind eye towards the corruption found in child protection services and family courts. He represents a small but growing number of advocates around the country willing to stand up and fight this horrific corruption.

Listen to the full interview on the National Safe Child Show:

https://youtu.be/gAK84kp7x6A

## Arkansas CPS Attorney Writes: "What Happened to my Country?"



#### by Attorney Joe Churchwell

So I'm lying here and can't sleep for the second night in a row wondering what has happened to my Country.

My Country that Merle Haggard sang about. My Country that was born of courage of the likes of Nathaniel Bacon, Francis Marion, Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry and Sam Houston. My Country that hometown buddies would fight to defend if you so much as insulted her; and even more dangerous and downright foolish was to insult Texas or the South.

My Country that loved and protected her own above all others; but was kind, and strong, and protective of the weak and oppressed.

If my Country ever truly existed she has just as surely as I lie here writing this with tears in my eyes been put to death by apathy, and greed, and weakness, and cowardice.

Everyday I see injustice. Everyday I see oppression. Everyday I see on the faces of my clients; terror and anguish as they are forced to endure the wrath of "Child Protective Services."

Child Protective Services operates with no sense of duty to the people. In this State the blame lies with Asa Hutchinson. These agencies are his responsibility and his alone. Asa Hutchinson could set this catastrophe on a new course with the stroke of his pen; yet he has truly done nothing. His Child Welfare Initiative, his Vincent Report and his tasking Tim Griffin with a "Top down review of DHS" has not produced one single measurable improvement in any aspect of child welfare.

Where child welfare is concerned the Judicial Branch has consistently shirked its duties. Truth and evidence and civil rights have become irrelevant in our juvenile courts. Our higher courts have sold out and they hide behind procedure, technicalities, their own rules, and the "discretion" given to lower court judges that was once the province of a jury of one's peers.

The price of becoming a mother or father today in this Country is the immediate surrender of his or her constitutional rights because this government has brainwashed its people into believing that "the best interests of the children" is the government's business and therefore the government must be free to invade families' homes and their lives and the minds and bodies of their children in the name of "protecting them."

The checks and balances and safeguards created by our Constitutions are ignored today and no citizen in this State can be secure in his person, house, paper, or effect, if he is a parent with a minor child in his care. Arkansas DCFS boldly and openly operates outside both the U.S. and Arkansas Constitutions and will continue to do so as long as we the people allow it.

There are legislators that are aware and need our support. They are being stonewalled, backstabbed and lied to by executives and bureaucrats. They are given the finger by rogue judges who are operating in secret courts with sealed records.

The Courts must be opened.

Raise the Government's burden of proof.

Juries must be brought back.

Oaths of office must be ENFORCED.

Rights must be protected.

This is not My Country. But it can be. We must start with our State. My State. Your State. Forget parties and forget platforms and forget loyalties; because if we do not have basic freedoms all else is meaningless. Get behind the legislators that are speaking out and fighting for you. Get behind them and stay behind them. And fight and pray.

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### Arkansas Senator on CPS Kidnappings: "No Horror Movie Ever Prepared You for This"



Arkansas Senator Alan Clark.

#### by Senator Alan Clark

Protecting the constitutional rights of innocent families and protecting children from abuse should not be an either/or proposition. Providing a method for the legislature (or some

representatives of the people, but the legislature is already duly elected and constitutionally charged) to examine a secretive agency in a serious structured way while protecting the privacy of families, also should not be an either/or proposition.

Which is why when legislators want to look into abuses of the system, the agency's cries of "we have to protect the children" ring hollow. Especially when the specific information they don't want to become public indicts the agency and in no way harms a family. But I can't tell you what that information is, so they and their allies sound like martyrs laying down their lives for the children.

If only it were true.

#### Do Good Social Workers Fear for Their Jobs?

Let's stipulate that DCFS (Division of Children and Family Services, a subdivision of DHS) and CACD (Crimes Against Children Division of the Arkansas State Police) does important work in protecting children against abuse. Let's stipulate some of the finest people I have ever met work for those agencies and dedicate their lives to saving children.

Their honesty in expressing their concerns with me is no small part of the reason I know we have serious problems. Let's also stipulate that more than 1 or 2 have told me they do not wish to visit with me because they believe they will be fired. I am not saying they are correct in that assertion. Just think about the mindset within the agency that reveals.

# Is it Lawful for Child Social Services to Violate the Bill of Rights?



Let's also stipulate that child abuse is not new in the 21st century, and had James Madison intended to offer the Bill of Rights with the caveat "except in cases of suspected child abuse" he would have. Let's stipulate that this document sets us apart in the world. The Bill of Rights plays a very major role in identifying what it means to be an American.

It is an understandable fact that sometimes some police officers become distrustful of almost everyone. When dealing with the worst of society, and protecting the rest of us from it, on a daily basis it can skew your perspective.

So can dealing with terrible things done to children everyday. Recent stories we all know like the 4 year old taken into custody who told the authorities her name was "Idiot" to the more recent baby allegedly punched to death by her father, are sickening just to hear about from the safe distance of a TV set.

But to deal with them up close and personal, tends to affect you. It doesn't make you a bad person but it does jade you to the possible innocence of those charged. You have seen so many others who claimed to be innocent too. Someone has to stop this child abuse nightmare. Why take a chance that someone will harm a child again, when you can be sure that child is removed, "just in case"? Of course it happens. We are dealing with human beings here.

Here is the problem. That jaded policeman works out in the public with public records, even a bodycam and dashcam. Everything he/she might say about you will be in open court for the press and everyone else to see.

The DCFS and CACD investigators do not. They insist you have to allow searches without warrants, access to your children without charges, and they make "true findings" without a trial. You not only can't face your accuser, more often than not, you don't know who it is. In other areas, the accused has due process. In these cases, for all practical purposes, you do not. That doesn't bother most of us for 2 reasons. 1. We don't know about it. 2. These scumbags who hurt children need to be dealt with.

#### When the Innocent Suffer

However, when you are innocent, real problems develop. Those of you who have been burglarized know that it is not the "things" they took that does the most harm. It is that they take your peace of mind. The thief shatters your trust in society. Someone did it. Probably someone you know. Likely

someone you trust. You begin to live in a new hateful, mind numbing, inner peace destroying reality.

Compared to having your children taken when you are innocent, burglary is a walk in the park. Having a "true finding" is devastating. Finding out that you have no constitutional rights, that the system is "protecting you and your children" with secrecy is maddening.

This cannot happen in America, people think. It cannot happen to me. I am a good parent.

Dealing with a system (even if not individuals) jaded by the horrors of the guilty, you are one more guilty perp maintaining your innocence. And the only thing the system hates worse than a child abuser is a child abuser who won't admit it

No horror movie ever prepared you for this. It obliterates the mirage of what you thought being an American meant. It changes you and scars you forever.

# 89% of Reports to Child Abuse Hotline Unfounded

For other crimes, your trial would likely be covered in the press. Reporters would likely interview you if you were willing to tell your story. But not in the secrecy of a child maltreatment or child negligence case. The whole weight and all of the resources of the state come down on you.

Should you think I am over-exaggerating, I can assure you I am not. 89% of the reports to the child abuse hotline come back unfounded. 89% of those investigated, homes searched, children taken from you and interviewed and asked some

pretty incredible questions, according to the system itself didn't do anything wrong. But right at 50% of those who are found "guilty" and appeal the "true findings" are exonerated.

As terrible as that statistic is, it cannot begin to portray months of your children being removed and placed with strangers, months of being supervised by the government when you do have custody, being made to comply with the most inane commands (for an innocent person), going without a job or prospect of one because you were fired for "true findings," and to top it all off, bankrupting legal fees.

All while being cautioned that if you share anything, these agencies have done to you, you are a wrongdoer.

Not many people have that fortitude.

# Child Welfare Secrecy "Scary," Above the Law

DCFS' belief that they can operate in complete secrecy is downright scary. What can be so secret, that DCFS would ask that a state senator be excluded from the courtroom? The law seems to be clear. I have been invited to the exact same courtroom in the past, to view the exact same kind of cases, when the court was interested in my help. I can't tell the public what happened there. What is it, that your representatives should not see happening? What makes an agency believe they have that kind of unbridled power?

Let's not forget that I became involved in investigating DCFS when the agency refused to give me information about a case. The law clearly states, it turns out, that they have to. It is peculiar how they memorize the secrecy parts and not the

sharing parts.

Most do not know that I had to hold the DCFS budget to get that information and the whole Arkansas legislature had to back me to force them to comply. They are clearly more secretive than they have to be. They are clearly more secretive than the law allows. If we saw this on the evening news going on in another country, we would for a moment be thankful that our country did not allow secret police that could disrupt our lives without due process. We would be thankful we are Americans.

#### **DHS Judges Have Conflict of Interest**



I do not mean to paint the agency leaders in a bad light. They are the well meaning custodians of a system badly in need of reform. When their decisions are overturned they truly believe that the administrative law judges in their words "made a mistake" (50% overturned).

That is especially chilling when you consider that those

judges are lawyers that work for the same agency (DHS). While the ALJs seem to do an admirable job, that is a conflict in itself. Can you imagine playing a team in football or basketball and the referees are not just contracted by the home team, they work for the home team everyday?

I have come to believe lately that the agency leaders cannot handle the truth. I can assure you, the thought of hundreds of families being torn apart because of agency mistakes will lead to some sleepless nights.

#### How Can "Inexperienced, Underpaid, Overworked" Social Workers Make Lifechanging Decisions in Removing Children from Parents?

To be fair, there have been some improvements in the last year and a half. I believe there will be more. But they have not come easily. I have worked with them and believed we had some understandings. But recently it became obvious that they refuse to admit where the real problems are.

How do you testify that you have high turnover, many of your employees are inexperienced and underpaid, are handling too many cases and at the same time want us to believe that these inexperienced, underpaid, overworked folks are making perfect decisions? I would work to help rectify those problems if they admitted the bigger structural problems.

But no, the work they are doing is so important and so secretive, that even 3 legislators officially sitting in a room should not be allowed to discuss it or review it officially. We would evidently not have the same expertise that a new DHS hire right out of college, with no life experience or having

every raised a child would have. However much you want to protect children I hope you can see the problems with that mindset. Why are more people not concerned about the children and families we destroy in the name of protecting children? Who exactly are we protecting by keeping agency mistakes and wrongdoing secret?

There is so much more to be said. I am invited to visit with foster parents and adoptive parents to hear their experiences and horror stories. You might understand why leaders would be skeptical of those that the agency has branded as maltreating children.

Foster parents and adoptive parents however ought to be the salt of the earth vetted by the agency itself to the very highest standards. Would someone tell me why the agency that is so interested in "protecting children" is not hearing their stories?

## DHS Leaders Cannot Handle the Truth – Reform Needed

I truly do not believe that the leaders of this agency can handle the truth.

You may think it may not be as ugly as I paint it. It is certainly much worse than they admit or believe.

Someone must reform this agency in a major way.

This article originally was <u>posted on Facebook</u>. Images, headline and subtitles added by editor.

## Arkansas Father and Pastor Speaks Out on CPS Kidnapping His Children as All Charges are Dropped 21 Months Later



Father and Pastor Hal Stanley with his children. Photo supplied by family.

#### IT'S OVER, OR IS IT?

#### by Hal Stanley

On January 13th, 2015, the day after the Garland County Sheriffs incarcerated, kidnapped, took into custody, or took our seven children, I was in unbelief! What had happened? I knew my wife and I were innocent, and I knew my children were innocent of any crimes against the state, and yet they were disappeared to an unrevealed location. We could not know where they were. We could not speak to them by phone. We did not know when we would see them again. We had been told that it would be a "72 hour hold", but that would turn out a lie.

The lies had started and they would continue for some time.

I knew that I was a patriotic American who had spent his life defending the founding documents of our country, and really believed I lived in the "land of the free and the home of the brave."

As a vet I had gladly volunteered to serve my nation in the Air Force. I thought I was free, as a baptist pastor, to live in the religious liberty I had learned of all my life.

Further, I had been taught all my life that the sheriff was my best friend. I grew up thinking that only the pastor was greater than the sheriff.

But the haunting memory was so clear of the night before when a deputy sheriff had claimed the right to kidnap my children right in front of me. I knew that my yard was full of some 12 official vehicles including an ambulance, the Coroner's car, state police, and various health officials.

I didn't realize, however, that there was a 31 man task force surrounding my house with snipers lying in the ditch.

I did know that there was a nice man from the DHS sitting in my living room saying to me that everything was okay. I could hear him talking to his home office telling them that the kids were fine and all had been examined by the doctor in our yard, and that all were fine.

Then suddenly a large group of armed officers rushed in the door saying they were taking the children for seventy-two hours. We were to get the children two days of clothing and to do it fast.



Homeschooled Stanley children being taken out of their home by force for the first time in their lives.

We were overwhelmed to say the least. The children were crying, Michelle and me were crying. Our hearts were broken.

Our whole lives were invested in those children. How could anyone think they were in danger in our wonderful home? How could this be happening. A few minutes later my wife and I had sat in the living room, all alone and wondering what had happened.

Now on the next day my optimism budded. This was just a big mistake. It would all be over in just a little while. I imagined all the children home and we would have a huge neighborhood party to celebrate the return of the children. That would be wonderful. A Victorious Homecoming for our kids!

But it never happened.

Twenty one months later it is over legally. I got this letter that said:

Subject: STANLEY, C#20152079 & C#20152277, REF#1724091-REMANDED

The Respondent Arkansas State Police does not wish to defend the remaining finding of educational neglect.

Further, it would not object to a final order being issued without a hearing.

Thank you.

I suppose that settles the matter. Twenty one months of turning my family upside down and inside out and scrambling it, and that's it.

What did they find?

Nothing. All that pain for nothing?

We are innocent! WE ARE INNOCENT!

ARE THEY????

# Read Medical Kidnap Articles on the Stanley Family Ordeal.

# Arkansas Senator Writes to DHS "The Gloves are About to Come Off" as Cover-up in Stanley Case is Discovered



Arkansas Senator Alan Clark.

#### **Health Impact News Editor Comments:**

Local mainstream media in Arkansas is reporting that

Arkansas Senator Alan Clark has obtained an email from Arkansas Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) regarding the <u>Stanley Family</u> case that was originally withheld from the legislative oversight committee he cochairs. Clark calls the email the "smoking gun" in the department's attempt to conceal information during the investigation of the removal of the seven Stanley children last year.

In the email, a social worker writes:

From reports, the search warrant did not find anything that would constitute the children being severely maltreated. It appears to me that the only thing this family has done is not conform to modern society and how certain government officials feel they should be living.

Health Impact News has obtained a full copy of the email:

Subject: Stanley children

I spoke with Children's Pediatric Clinic regarding this priority 1. They will not be able to see the children today based on the fact that there might be "poisoning." They have recommended they be taken to Children's Emergency Room for the initial. The children will need to be tested for renal failure and breathing problems. (None of which were apparent last night.)

Further, Mrs. Gatlin will be setting up hair follicles on all 7 children to see if the controversy MMS (Miracle Mineral Solutions) can be found in their hair. If the MMS is found in their hair, I am not sure what that constitutes. The MMS is

legal and promoted as a cure for the simple cold to acne to the flu and to other more serious diseases. MMS can also be considered to be a toxic solution of 28% [1] sodium chlorite in distilled water but only if activated by a citrus (fruit). The common symptoms of daily use is diarrhea, stomach pains, etc., none of which the children reported. Other symptoms may be acute renal failure, which we will be glad to test for. Of course these definitions vary upon which website you look at.

Further: upon staffing with \_\_\_\_\_\_, this case feels like the ultimate violation of a families' freedom to live their own culture. We are continually getting SDM classes and training and understanding how culture impacts those decisions. It is apparent to me that this family has its own unique culture. They homeschool, they don't believe in modern medicine and they use a legal vitamin to try and keep the children healthy and from all accounts it appeared that the children were very healthy. From reports, the search warrant did not find anything that would constitute the children being severely maltreated. It appears to me that the only thing this family has done is not conform to modern society and how certain government officials feel they should be living.

If there is any other information that the State Police is aware of that may constitute severe maltreatment, it should probably be disclosed to us.

5 of the children are placed at Open Arms in Lonoke, 2 are at a shelter in Conway.

\_\_\_\_\_\_, with only three staff members at this time, can you please see if the other counties will assist with these appointments. The Priority 1 E.R. visit needs to be completed by 8:00 tonight.

Thanks,

#### XXXXXX

Senator Clark issued a public statement on his Facebook Page where he stated:

The gloves are about to come off and EVERYONE that has stood in the way of getting to the truth and is currently impeding progress on this front can expect to be exposed.

Full statement made by Senator Alan Clark via his <u>Facebook</u> Page:

Good news on the DCFS front.

- 1. If you have not heard, DHS has issued a DO NOT DEFEND order on the Stanley case (Hal and Michelle Stanley had 7 children removed from their home on Januarly 13, 2015) which means after almost 2 years the Stanleys will win their final appeal by default. It's about time.
- 2. DCFS (Department of Children and Family Services, a subdivision of DHS) has a Quality Assurance Unit. After almost 2 years of investigating DCFS I didn't know of their existence. They need one. The CACD may need one worse.
- 3. The Quality Assurance Unit commissioned an analysis of the reasons for the rise of the foster care population in Arkansas.
- 4. Hornsby Zeller Associates, Inc was commissioned to do the analysis, did an exceptionally good job and issued the report to DCFS in June of this year. I did not know of its

existence until yesterday. This is standard operating procedure by this agency I am afraid.

- 5. It was released to the press and a few legislative leaders including myself, yesterday. It will be released to the public today. I recommend you take the time to read it. Like everything else coming from this agency it was not made public until someone (not me) who knew it existed issued a FOIA (Freedom Of Information Act) request for it.
- 6. The report vindicates those of us who have been investigating this agency and have tried to investigate the judiciary. It backs up every single assertion we have made.
- 7. If the recommendations of this analysis are followed, about 50% of the problems in the agency will be solved.

There is also bad news. I will deal with it soon. For now I will say this.

For the last 21 months my remarks about DCFS leadership, CACD (Crimes Against Children Division of the Arkansas State Police) and those they answer to have been generous and kind. That will change. The gloves are about to come off and EVERYONE that has stood in the way of getting to the truth and is currently impeding progress on this front can expect to be exposed.

I have sufficiently demonstrated my good will and that I was not trying to hurt anyone or seek publicity. We have gone out of our way to be sure people were not hurt, even the guilty. Too many bureaucrats and elected officials do not seem to understand our/their role in protecting the citizens of this state from being run over roughshod by the state. I am thankful to all of those who do understand and their support

and help in this investigation.

It is time to make major changes OR remove everyone in the way of making those changes. Period.

# Arkansas Senator Issues "Child Welfare Manifesto" - Child Abuse Perpetrated by the State Must Stop



Photo source: YouTube

#### by Health Impact News/MedicalKidnap.com Staff

As an Arkansas State Senator, Alan Clark has taken seriously his responsibility to hear the voice of the people in his state. When citizens brought the story of the Stanley family to his attention, he investigated.

Homeschooling parents Hal and Michelle Stanley's 7 children were removed from their home one cold night in January 2015, over false allegations that they were poisoning their children with an unapproved mineral substance. The children have since been returned home, but their lives were

turned upside down.

See their story:

# Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement



Stanley family children being removed from home during the night because the father allegedly used an unapproved mineral supplement. Photo from the Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook Page.

In the two years that followed the seizure of the Stanley children, Senator Clark has investigated the actions and policies of his state's Department of Children and Family Services. He was stonewalled at some points, as DCFS officials resisted Congressional efforts to hold the state agency accountable for their actions. In October, Senator Clark wrote concerning his efforts to obtain information on the Stanley case:

Most do not know that I had to hold the DCFS budget to get that information and the whole Arkansas legislature had to back me to force them to comply. They are clearly more secretive than they have to be. They are clearly more secretive than the law allows.

What he found within the agency was a frightening abuse of power, where innocent families suffer and are torn apart, and children often suffer even more abuse at the very hands of those who are supposed to be protecting them.

See:

# Arkansas Senator on CPS Kidnappings: "No Horror Movie Ever Prepared You for This"

Shortly after, an internal email was discovered that showed that the agency was well aware from the beginning that they had no legal right to intervene in the Stanley family. That email was the "smoking gun," but it was withheld from the legislative oversight committee that Senator Clark co-chairs, prompting him to write that "the gloves are about to come off," and that all those who had hindered efforts to get at the truth would be exposed.

# Arkansas Senator Writes to DHS "The Gloves are About to Come Off" as Cover-up in Stanley Case is Discovered

#### **Child Welfare Manifesto**

On December 26, 2016, Senator Alan Clark posted to his Facebook page his vision for Child Protective Services, which he has entitled "Child Welfare Manifesto." In it, he acknowledges the great harm that is being done to children in the name of protecting them, and gives some common sense considerations that lawmakers in every state would do well to pay attention to as they examine the Child Protective Services agency and its impact on the families in their state.

Here is the document in its entirety:

#### CHILD WELFARE MANIFESTO

The new rule in child welfare should be borrowed from Hippocrates. First, do no harm.

There is so much argument about how often the government/state should intervene, how much we should intervene, should we intervene.

We know or we should know of the intense psychological, often permanent trauma that can be and is inflicted by removing children from their families and placing them with strangers. Every time we move them that trauma is compounded. If the strangers we place them with are not extraordinary human beings the trauma is compounded

more.

We must consider that before we remove a child. Someone who truly understands the weight of that should be the only one making that decision. We should be absolutely sure that we have a better solution before we make that removal.

We cannot continue to make the decision that a child's current situation is not acceptable, only to move them into another unacceptable situation. That is child abuse perpetrated by the state.

We do not just need to reform the system. We need to rethink the very nexus of the system. We cannot continue to assume that the new situation for the child is superior to the old situation, simply because it is the best the state can do today.

Children are not playing cards to be shuffled here and there at the state's whim. They are not cattle that can be herded from pasture to pasture as it is convenient for the state. For that matter, neither are parents or foster parents. If we are going to take custody of a child it must be with the same care that we would parent our own child. Anything less is to be guilty of negligence ourselves.

The horrible situations that some children face should no longer be used as an excuse for trauma and abuse both, active and passive, committed by actors of the state, even with the best intentions.

We either must intervene in less cases or we become a much more intensively, caring, compassionate, thinking nursery to the children we profess to care so much about that we took them in the first place. If a child is going to suffer abuse it is better that they suffer it in the natural surroundings of their own family than in the foreign unnatural surroundings perpetrated by the state.

There are enough cases out there of the state making egregious mistakes to place the State of Arkansas on the Child Maltreatment List, I think. The state can appeal, but that is one case where I would like to be the administrative law judge.

### Homeschool Arkansas Dad Files Federal Lawsuit Against Officials Who Kidnapped His Children



The Stanley children were taken from their home over false allegations. Now, their parents are suing in federal court. Photo source: Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook page.

#### by Health Impact News/MedicalKidnap.com Staff

This isn't just about their family, Hal Stanley told Health Impact News in a recent interview. Since his children were unjustly taken from his home two years ago on a cold January night, the homeschool father of 10 has learned that what happened to his family happens all across his state of Arkansas and, indeed, all across the United States and beyond.

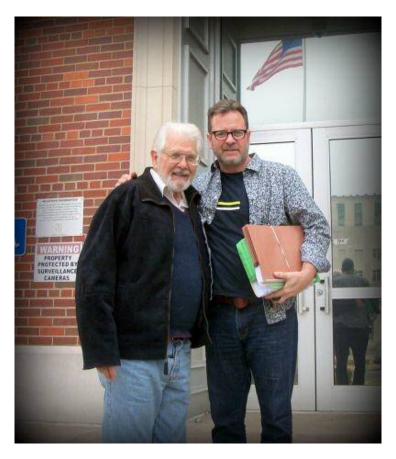
Although his children have been returned home, they are not the same as they were before more than 30 different

government officials invaded their home and took them away from their family. They have been traumatized. Hal and his wife Michelle Stanley hope that their lawsuit will help to bring accountability and help to keep other families from going through the nightmare they have experienced.

See our original coverage of their story here:

#### Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement

Together with attorney Joe Churchwell, the couple filed a 65 page complaint in federal court on January 13, 2017 – 2 years and a day after DHS and armed law enforcement swooped into their home based on false allegations surrounding the use of a mineral supplement product, MMS (Miracle Mineral Supplement). (See complaint <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.)



Hal Stanley with attorney Joe Churchwell outside the courthouse just before filing the federal lawsuit. Source: <u>BringtheStanleykidshome Facebook page</u>.

At issue are allegations that the government agents violated several Constitutional rights, such as due process, familial association, and unlawful seizure, based on the First, Fourth, and Fourteenth Amendments, and that those involved with taking the children lied to the court, fabricated evidence, and suppressed exculpatory evidence.

The complaint also alleges that the state has adopted policies and practices that are in violation of citizens' Constitutional rights, and that they have failed to train their employees to refrain from unlawful acts in doing their jobs.

Additionally, law enforcement participated in, and failed to stop, the unlawful seizure of the Stanley children.

Virtually every family who has ever contacted Health Impact News for help has had these same issues with Child Protective Services, no matter what state they are in.

All charges have been dropped, and it is clear that the state of Arkansas knew from the very beginning that they were acting illegally in seizing the Stanley children.

See:

# Arkansas Senator Writes to DHS "The Gloves are About to Come Off" as Cover-up in Stanley Case is Discovered

#### **Attorney Fights for Stanley Family**

Attorney <u>Joe Churchwell</u> recently wrote about the lawsuit and what they are trying to accomplish:

A Federal Suit was filed yesterday for the violation of the Stanley family's civil rights. This was not an isolated incident nor is it uncommon. The Stanleys have been active in encouraging legislative change and speaking out against the tyranny, but we have learned in the process that the voice of the people is not enough to motivate all those that must be motivated to effectuate real and meaningful change. This

lawsuit is a necessary component. History in other Federal Circuits (9th for example) has shown that the government will fight for years and spend millions to defend illegal and immoral actions of these agencies. They have spent \$10Million to fight a case that could have been settled for \$500k. Governments don't care because they don't have to earn the \$\$. They take yours.

We have a very strong case, but we do not have the funds to stay in this fight without help. I've never been good at asking for help. This is one of the most painful messages, personally, that I've ever posted for that reason.

The Stanleys and I are up against all of the lawyers at the AG's office, the lawyers in the Office of Chief Counsel for DHS, and Garland County, plus any lawyers that those sued individually will hire.

I've been unsuccessfully seeking help for a year from lawyers or firms with experience in federal civil rights cases and the manpower and means to fight effectively for the duration of this phase.

It hasn't happened, so it must not be God's plan. The Orange County case dragged out for years before the Plaintiff saw a penny. The children are now adults over a decade later and Orange County is still resisting. A few months ago they argued before the 9th Circuit that the government agents should be immune from liability even when they lie in court and fabricate evidence to take people's children.

From what we have experienced here in Arkansas we expect the same or worse. An apology and removing Hal and Michelle from the maltreatment registry for educational neglect would have settled this case. Even though their 17year-old son had easily passed the GED and their 16-yearold daughter was enrolled in college they were adamant that they remain on this list.

So enough is enough. We are seeking redress because we are entitled under the law. We will be seeking injunctive relief to force the government to recognize the Bill of Rights. Read the complaint. There is an email attached as an exhibit from the Deputy Director of DHS clearly stating that the right of Arkansas's families to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures does not apply to them.

We're going to show them that it does. But we need your help. We're not doing this because we want to or because we think we're going to get rich, in fact this is the last thing we wanted to do, and if, and I do mean if we see a penny return even on what we've invested so far it will likely be a decade. If you are inclined and you can afford to help you can click on this link and go to our site that was created to demand accountability from this government. This isn't simply a lawsuit, this is one part of the campaign for accountability and one step in the journey to take back our families right to be families.

We have an elephant to eat, and this is the first bite. God bless. Go Here to Donate: BUTWESEEJESUS.COM

# Head of DCS Doesn't Think Constitution Applies to Them



Keesa Smith. Image source.

As Joe Churchwell stated, the Deputy Director of the Arkansas Department of Human Services, Keesa Smith, believes that the Founding Fathers did not intend for the Bill of Rights to extend to families dealing with family court. Somehow, she believes that basic Constitutional rights don't apply when the most valuable thing in a citizen's life is at stake – our children.

On Mar 14, 2016, at 1:08 PM, Keesa Smith < Keesa. Smith@dhs.arkansas.gov> wrote: Joe-

When you and I met during our meeting with Senator Clark, you discussed your belief that DCFS should have warrants to enter into homes when the agency receives calls to investigate allegations of child abuse. You have equally made this assertion in recent Joint Performance Review meetings. When you and I met, I explained that I disagreed with your assertion and, regardless of our disagreement, there is currently norequirement that DCFS obtain a warrant to enter into homes.

Please note that warrants (in the manner that you have described) are criminal instruments. However, child maltreatment investigations are civil. There is no legal manner to ask for a criminal warrant in a civil proceeding. However, the law of Arkansas does give DCFS the right to enter homes for child maltreatment

From email sent to Joe Churchwell by the Deputy Director of Arkansas Department of Human Services. <u>Source</u>.

### Parents Determined to Fight on Behalf of All Families

Hal Stanley recognizes that the battle of fighting a federal lawsuit will be long and costly, but he also recognizes that there are literally thousands of innocent parents across the land who are facing the same violation of their family and their Constitutional rights that his family has experienced. His hope is that his team can win this battle for the countless other families who, for some reason or another, are unable to file such a suit.

While the general public is quick to say, "I'd file a lawsuit," the Stanleys have learned that it is much easier to say those words than it is to actually do. Even those who defend Child Protective Services tend to assume that families who should not have had their children taken can just file a lawsuit to make everything OK.

However, the reality is that a lawsuit can take many years and many thousands of dollars to fight. Joe Churchwell says that simply taking the depositions could cost upwards of \$15,000. That is just the depositions, not counting costs for

expert witnesses, filing fees, and all the other fees that the suit can entail.

This is not something that the Stanleys can do alone. They are a simple family, growing their own vegetables and living by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. They have raised their family without any debt and without any need for government assistance. Now, they need help in order to stay in the battle, but they believe that they must stay in the battle. Hal Stanley says:

It's the biggest battle of my life.



Michelle and Hal Stanley look over the complaint as they prepare to file in federal court. Source: BringtheStanleykidshome Facebook page.

Michelle Stanley recently wrote regarding the lawsuit that the system is "unfairly rigged."

It is our duty and responsibility to hold our government in check by the means described in the last part of the 1st amendment. As citizens who have been egregiously and grievously wronged by our government we should be allowed to file a petition for redress. But the system is set up that unless you are very wealthy you can't stand a chance against their billions of dollars and huge team of lawyers. That is if you can get past their "immunities."

We don't have the financial means it takes to launch a law suit. We have a great lawyer but no matter how fantastic he is, he is just one person against their 50 or so lawyers. We will appeal to our supporters for help but we know our supporters are mostly made up of other struggling families who have been in some way negatively touched by the corrupted side of the child welfare system. Even if everyone who supported us gave even just a little it would never come close to cover the outrageous cost for filing and all the fees involved in the process of a lawsuit that will drag out over several years. But never the less we feel if God leads he will provide.

We do feel that God wants to use our case to help bring about change. It is the only reason we will make the sacrifice it will cost our family emotionally and physically to put ourselves through several years of stress over a suit. No amount of redress will be worth the toll it will put on our already broken family. But if our case wins, it will be a win for the people of Arkansas. And if it brings about change and prevents other families from continuing to go through the hell we were put through, then all the pain will be worth it. If we don't try at all then we go on to remain another statistic as another

family that got run over by our government where no one is held accountable. They will have no reason to change and they will be further emboldened to keep on with their oppression and violation of civil rights. Our children deserve better.



The Stanleys with their 5 youngest children in front of the law office of Joe Churchwell. Photo source: Bringthestanleykidshome Facebook page.

## Stanley Accountability Campaign: Help Support Their Legal Battle

The Stanleys have set up a webpage called the "Stanley Accountability Campaign" on their website, <u>But We See Jesus</u>. Donations may be made there for the legal battle that has the potential to change things for families everywhere. Hal Stanley states his position:

We spent several days debating what we would call what we are doing. This is the title we kept coming back to until we were sure that it accurately says what we seek to accomplish. What happened to us, the Stanleys, should never happen in a free society. Be sure though, that what we are doing is not just for, or about the Stanleys. If if happened to us, it could happen to any family. It is happening to many in Arkansas and across the nation. If you are not familiar with what has happened to us, please update yourself by: Googling Arkansas Stanleys, seven home school children taken, or just Stanleys. Visit medicalkidnap.com and search "Stanley," and "Alan Clark" or "Arkansas Attorney." Check our Facebook accounts: Hal Stanley; bringthestanleykidshome and Joe Churchwell.

Although it is the Stanley Accountability Campaign, it is not just about the Stanleys. We desire a movement which would touch every family, home school, and church in Arkansas. Our families are worth fighting for!

## Social Workers Do NOT Have a Right to Lie Against Parents

The recent victory in California's 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in the "Right to Lie" case took 20 years and thousands of dollars to win. The children involved are adults now. It was a hard-fought battle simply to get to the place where a panel of judges ruled that no, social workers do not have the right to lie on court documents and in court about a family, and they can lose their qualified immunity if they do so. Securing the most basic of rights can be expensive and elusive in today's political climate.

See:

## <u>Judges Reject Claim That Social Workers Didn't Know Lying In Court to Remove Children Was Wrong</u>

The Stanleys also plan to enlist an army of advocates and parents to work through social media to bring awareness of what is happening to many families through legal and medical kidnapping, as well as to educate the public about our rights and responsibilities as "We, the People."

# Is Justice Finally being Served in Arkansas 4 Years After Stanley Homeschool Children Kidnapped?



Recent photo of the Stanley Family from <u>Hal Stanley's</u> <u>Facebook Page</u>.

### by Brian Shilhavy Editor, Health Impact News

In 2015, we covered the story of the Stanley family in Arkansas, reporting how the local sheriff department arrived at the home one night with local social workers and issued a warrant to search their property for a "dangerous" mineral supplement that was supposedly being forced upon the children and endangering their health. See:

## Arkansas Takes Away 7 Homeschool Children because Father had Unapproved Mineral Supplement

The Stanley family homeschool their children, and that night, despite the fact that no dangerous materials were found in the house, and that a local doctor who came in an ambulance and examined each of the 7 children cleared them as being healthy, the local sheriff deputy ordered all 7 children to be forcibly removed from their home. Prior to this time, they had never spent a night away from their parents.

Even when the children were being removed, the DHS workers reportedly remarked that there was no reason to take the children out of the home. When Mr. Stanley asked who actually made the decision to take their kids, Garland County Deputy Mike Wright allegedly replied, "I did, and I am proud of it."

Concerned parties present at the time captured a photo of some of the children being taken away by night, and that photo has become a symbol of government abuse of power in unlawfully removing children from loving parents.



It turned out that the mineral supplement was perfectly legal, and posed no health threat to the children. So in order to justify the removal of the children, the charges were changed to something that was not on the original warrant, including "educational neglect" due to the family's homeschooling practice.

The children were forced to live with foster parents and start attending public school.

None of the charges were ever substantiated, and it was determined later that one the older teenage children made up all the accusations because he did not like being homeschooled and the family's strict Christian values.

5 months later, all the children were returned home, but not before suffering tremendous emotional trauma from being separated from their parents.

After 21 months, all charges were dropped against the Stanleys. See:

## Arkansas Father and Pastor Speaks Out on CPS Kidnapping His Children as All Charges are Dropped 21 Months Later

But this was not the end of their ordeal, only the beginning. Working with local attorney Joe Churchwell, the Stanleys sued the Garland County Sheriff's Department for a violation of their civil rights – a case that has reached all the way up to the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which last year upheld a U.S. District Court ruling depriving the lead investigator from "qualified immunity."

So the civil rights case continues.

The investigator, Kathy Finnegan, was recently deposed by Attorney Joe Churchwell, and the <u>Sentinel-Record has published an account of the deposition</u>. See:

### <u>Investigator says evidence didn't support seizure</u> of Stanley children

Finnegan allegedly revealed that there was no evidence for the Garland County Sheriff to take the children in the first place.

Kathy Finnegan said in the deposition she gave last week that Maj. Ron Stayton, the former commander of the Arkansas State Police's Crimes Against Children Division, told her to make true findings of abuse and neglect against Hal and Michelle Stanley without supporting evidence. Finnegan is the CACD civilian investigator who ordered the removal of the couple's seven children from their home in January 2015. (Source.)

The abuse of justice in the Stanley story enraged the American public, and with strong local media support as well as national publications like *Health Impact News* covering their story, people from all over the country came to Arkansas to protest.

It quickly became a problem for the State of Arkansas.

"Because I was made to find true on this investigation, because the case was too political," said Finnegan, responding to Churchwell asking how a competent investigator following the state's child abuse assessment protocol could have certified unsupported findings. "I told (Stayton) we did not have enough to find true on this case, and he said we have to.

"I thought I had enough to find true on poisonous and noxious substances, but I did not think it would hold up under appeal. I told Maj. Stayton we did not have enough to find true on this case. I did as I was instructed. I was instructed by people that I thought knew what they were doing."

Finnegan testified that Debbie Roark, CACD's head of investigations, coached her on how to use DHS' Division of Children and Family Service's assessment protocol to support the true findings.

"They wanted this case closed as quickly as possible, because it was a political issue, and because Maj. Stayton was upset because the case was not closed yet," she said. "Debbie Roark sat down with me and showed me how to find true on this case. ... She wrote down what I could say to defend our position when it came to appeal hearings."

Finnegan said the DHS attorney representing CACD

recommended findings of physical abuse, which included exposure to poisonous/noxious substances and inflicting cuts, bruises and welts, not be defended, but that Stayton insisted otherwise.

"Maj. Stayton would not let us do that," she said. "He said we have to defend." (Source.)

A judge had ruled in 2015 that the charges for physical abuse lacked sufficient evidence.

That left the charges of "educational neglect" related to the children not being registered as home-schooled.

But these charges were based on the two older teenagers living in the home, and Attorney Churchwell counseled them to plead the 5th, removing investigator Finnegan's only witnesses:

Finnegan said she was deprived of her corroborating witnesses when Churchwell advised the two children whose allegations prompted the investigation not to testify.

"My two witnesses, who made these claims that night, that their lives were so horrible at home, they were told by you to take the Fifth Amendment," she told Churchwell. "I had lost my two children that said life was horrible. And (the judge) allowed you to represent the two witnesses and their parents. There was no way I was going to win this appeal."

Churchwell was concerned that the children were at risk of committing perjury, and that they had been subpoenaed to testify without advice of counsel.

"If they were pushed to repeat what was said earlier, it would be a crime and (they) would be prosecuted," he said. "So I advised them that they had committed criminal acts regarding false reports, and that everyone is entitled not to incriminate themselves any further."

Health Impact News will be following the development of this case and report back with further developments as the case proceeds.

This civil rights abuse case has consequences for not only the Stanley family, but all families across the U.S. who have their children taken out their home without due process of law.

# Police Investigate Murder of Former Arkansas Senator Linda Collins-Smith - Frequent Critic of CPS Corruption



Linda Collins-Smith. Image from Twitter.

by Brian Shilhavy Editor, Health Impact News Former Arkansas Senator Linda Collins-Smith was found dead in her home last week, and local media sources are reporting that her death is being investigated as a homicide.

Collins-Smith was a frequent critic of government corruption, but who the attacker was and what the possible motive might have been are not being reported, and the public may never know, as Third Judicial District Judge Harold Erwin has ordered that documents and evidence obtained by the police during this investigation are to be sealed.

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, ARKANSAS CRIMINAL DIVISION

IN RE: THE INVESTIGATION OF THE DEATH OF LINDA COLLINS-SMITH

### ORDER SEALING ALL MATERIALS AND STATEMENTS MADE DURING THE ABOVE-STYLED INVESTIGATION

The State of Arkansas, by and through Henry Boyce, Prosecuting Attorney, has requested by written Motion that all materials and statements concerning the above-styled investigation in the possession of the Randolph County Circuit Clerk's office, Randolph County Sheriff's office, and the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney be sealed in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated §25-19-105(b)(8).

Based upon said Motion and finding the grounds stated therein to be well taken, this Court hereby orders that all records filed or kept by the Randolph County Circuit Clerk's office, Randolph County Sheriff's office, and the Office of said Prosecuting Attorney as well as any affidavits, law enforcement reports, documents, recordings, statements, search warrant returns, crime lab reports, medical examiner reports, concerning the investigation described herein shall be sealed to any and all persons until such time that the Court should declare that the record may be open.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Image source.

https://abcnews.go.com/video/embed?id=63525797

<u>KATV in Little Rock</u> interviewed Collins-Smith's former press secretary, Ken Yang:

Yang says that her death is being investigated as a murder.

Yang also tells KATV content partner, KAIT8 that Collins-Smith was found shot in her home.

According to Yang, neighbors had reportedly heard gunshots a day or two before Collins-Smith was discovered today. Her body was reportedly found wrapped in some sort of blanket.

# Was Linda Collins-Smith Investigating the Link Between Child Protective Services (CPS) and Child Trafficking That Led to Her Murder?

There is a lot of speculation about how Linda Collins-Smith's criticisms of government corruption might have led to her murder, such as a possible investigation looking into a link between the seizure of children by CPS services (Arkansas Child Services Division of The Arkansas Department of Human Services) and child trafficking.

But so far, this appears to be only speculation, as *Health Impact News* has not found any evidence linking Collins–Smith to such an investigation, and as we mentioned above, the Judge has ordered all evidence uncovered by the police sealed.

We do know that Collins-Smith, during her tenure as a State Senator, did participate in hearings investigating CPS, as is evidenced from this video recording from 2016 where she questions the "disappearance" of certain emails that may have been covering up corruption:

### https://youtu.be/hpBzuBtAKWc

Some have produced what appears to be a screen shot of her Facebook Page, with what is reported to be her last Facebook Post before her death.

She is allegedly sharing the Brandy Murrah story of the falsified lab tests that were allegedly used to take children into state custody falsely. (See: <u>Alabama Lab Owner Arrested for Falsifying Results of Drug Tests Used to Medically Kidnap Children</u>.)

She appears to be critical of Arkansas CPS (DHS in Arkansas) and judges who rule on child custody cases.

But that post does not appear on her Facebook page today, and we cannot verify if it is authentic or not.



I know of another case as well. It will make you so mad to know that this happens just to take Children away.

Then to hear DHS say we do not have that information you requested in the file

Really? How convenient.

And by the time information can get to proper location for help because the families run out of money the child has been adopted and gone from you two years.

I know all DHS workers do not do this but it is starting to look like a pattern and then when the Judge in the case gives more credibility or weight to those DHS workers testimony then just know your case is probably lost.

The family and children lose.



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### Police: Lab owner falsified drug screen test results to Dale County DHR

Arrest warrants have been issued for a woman police believe may have played a role in falsifying drug screening reports and paternity tests provided to...

Image origin not know.

Those most vocal critics concerning her death appear to be former constituents of hers, who claim she was one of the few in the Arkansas government that parents could go to for help on child custody issues.

One of those former constituents from Arkansas, Michaele Walker, took to Facebook Live to address Collins-Smith's death.

Video no longer available.

Walker claims to have worked with Collins-Smith on CPS corruption cases linked to child trafficking nationwide, and that there is allegedly a current 2-year investigation pending

looking for over \$50 million in missing government funds.

### What We do Know About Linda Collins-Smith

Based on published reports and public records, this is what we do know about former Arkansas Senator Susan Collins-Smith

Collins-Smith served one term in Arkansas House of Representatives, District 80, from 2011 to 2013. She was elected as a Democrat, but switched parties in August 2011.

In 2014, she was elected to the Arkansas State Senate, District 19.

Collins-Smith lost to James Sturch in the Republican Party primary for the 19th district in Arkansas in May 2018 by fewer than 600 votes.

Politically, Collins-Smith described herself as: "Christian Conservative; Pro-Life, Business, Family, Guns, Veterans, Better Education & Patriot. Love God, Family and Country!"

She openly supported President Donald Trump and many of his policies.





Linda Collins-Smith and former husband Judge Philip Smith. <u>Image Source</u>.

She was married to Circuit Judge Philip Smith and the two reportedly went through a bitter divorce that was finalized in 2018.

As a result of testimony given during the divorce proceedings, Philip Smith was <u>reprimanded by the Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission</u>, and agreed to not serve again as a judge in the future.

The reprimand states that he:

.. made improper use of court premises, or other resources to engage in extrajudicial activities that did not concern the law, the legal system, or the administration of justice.

What those "activities" were is not specified.

### Child Sex-Trafficking Through Foster Care is a Known Problem – Is this What Happens to People Who Want to Expose It?

While we may not know the truth as to why Linda Collins-Smith was murdered, and may never know, she would not be the first State Senator to have a murder linked to allegations of investigating child trafficking.

Similar allegations have been made in the past regarding former Georiga Senator Nancy Schaefer. (See: <u>Senator Nancy Schaefer</u>: <u>Did her Fight Against CPS Child Kidnapping Cause her Murder?</u>)

What we do know is that the vast majority of children who are sexually trafficked today come from the nation's Child Protection Services agencies and Foster Care, and that this child sex trafficking business is reported to be larger than the illegal drugs and illegal gun trades.

To learn more see:

800K Children in the U.S. Missing Each Year –
International Tribunal Exposes Pedophilia
Problem – Victims Testify of Child Sex Trafficking
and Satanic Ritual Abuse

America #1 in Child Sex Trafficking and Pedophilia - CPS and Foster Care are the Pipelines

Attorney Reporting in Newsweek: Foster Care is a System Set Up to Sex Traffic American Children

<u>Child Sex Trafficking Through "Child Protection"</u> Services Used by the Rich and Powerful?

The Essence of Evil: Sex with Children Has Become Big Business in America