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Hello again, one more constituent testimony...Thank you

Sara Porter
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My name is Sara Porter, I am the 64 yr old grandmother of Megan and Emma Harris aged 11 and 8. I have not seen the girls since Halloween of 2011. Their mother had all visitation stopped in Dec 2011. He and I were not notified legally about the hearing at which this decision was made. Their father, my son has been incarcerated several times and is in arrears on these support payments- Jennifer Aubin, their mother has been very upset about that. I have been fighting to see the girls since then- My lawyer and I have been to court several times and spoken with mediators. We have not been before a judge yet except to agree to an adlitem(sp) to be appointed for them. We also agreed to counseling which has been done. So far we have made no progress. I have been accused of giving them treats and letting them stay up late among other things. I have had the girls most weekends for three years prior to this, Have taken them to Disney for a week in 2009, taken them for a week at a time to a vacation home in Maine, taken them to my home for the week following their mother's cancer surgery, and taken them to church every Sunday for three years. I have been a vital force in their lives.

I work at the public Library in Meriden, CT. If you have any other questions you may call me at work-203 238-2344 or home 203 235-6161. Good luck with the grandparents' bill , sincerely

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