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Re: Raised Bill 1067
Judiciary Committee Hearing Monday, March 23, 2015

Dear Judiciary Committee:

My name is Barbara Jane Montgomery. I am a registered voter in Norwalk, CT. Please support Senate Bill 1067 which gives birth parents the right to obtain a copy of their signed relinquishment document and any other documents related to the termination of their parental rights.

I am a birth mother of a son who is 49 years old. I should have a legal right to access all documents I signed during May 1965 at the office of Catholic Charities, the agency that handled my son's adoption placement.

It is extremely important for the Judiciary Committee to know it is a myth birth parents were "promised" confidentiality. It simply was not true. My proof is the reality my son's original birth certificate clearly shows his birth name as Michael Joseph Montgomery and his birth mother as Barbara Jane Montgomery.

It is also vitally important for the Judiciary Committee to know I was actually "promised" my son and I would be reunited when he turned 18. This is what I was assured because I wanted to raise my son. I learned 30 years later that the social worker lied.

Please support Senate Bill 1067. Thank you for your consideration on this important matter.

Sincerely,
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