

Bostick V. Price

My name is David Price, I have always lived in Massachusetts. In 2007 I had a daughter with Stephanie Bostick of Enfield Ct. Our relationship didn't end up working out and she left to go back to her home state where she resided with her parents when our daughter was 6 months old. We worked out several visitation plans outside of court just between the two of us, each of which she broke, and then blindsided me with a court order in April of 2008 stating I couldn't see my daughter until court. (Case HHD-FA08-4036641-S.) Even with a court order in place she would skip weekends, deny my visitation, change weeks and deny holidays. In fact the holidays all fell on my time and I sent her three different ways we could split the time (even though it was "my time") so that our daughter could share the holiday with both of her parents and not a single option was accepted. Instead she wasn't home when I was supposed to pick up and denied my visitation. Halloween 2008 fell on my weekend and her parents came to the door telling me that my daughter was sick, my ex was in giving her a bath and that I would not be getting her for my visitation. My ex's car wasn't in the driveway, they said it was in the garage. I asked to see my daughter and I was refused access to their home to even see my daughter. Several events like this took place. I went a period of time from Thanksgiving of 2008 until March of 2009 not seeing my daughter because my ex kept denying my visitation or switching weekends without telling me and then not allowing me the "make up" weekend because it wasn't my time. She did this repeatedly and each time was told to not do it anymore. Many concerns were brought up in court about her behavior, her denying visitation, ignoring phone calls, harassment made over the internet, and calling the cops to check up on us during my visitation because she was concerned even though she never called while I had our daughter. The final kicker was in May of 2009 when I last saw my daughter. It was the weekend before she turned 2. I threw her a birthday party with friends and family and had a guest appearance of "Elmo". This weekend was Memorial Day weekend and per court order it stated I could keep my daughter through the Monday holiday. In fact, my ex had other plans and told me I was not to because she wanted to take my daughter to parades (something I very well had planned anyways). While she kept telling me I had to bring her back Sunday normal time, I refused because I was allowed by the court order the extra day. Sunday night I didn't bring her home, I tucked her into her bed and set her down for the night. About an hour after she was in bed I received a call from the Enfield Police department. An Officer Gerrish informed me that I needed to bring my daughter home immediately or I would be charged with kidnapping. This was around 8:30pm. by the time I got my daughter back to CT (again, as I have always been a resident of Massachusetts), I was told to wait and the cops would arrive soon. Officer Gerrish and Emond showed up to my ex's parents just after my ex brought my daughter back inside. They informed me that this entire time of my visitation she could have called it kidnapping since our court order never gave me permission to leave state with our daughter. I never lived in CT there was nothing stating I HAD to stay in CT. So I stated this and the officer said for now we'll just say this was assumed and won't charge you, for future reference don't piss off the residential parent. On her part she can make claims and they're criminal against you, however you're not the residential parent so it's only civil and all you can do is take it to court. Which I did. First thing Tuesday morning I was at the court house. I waited 3 months. After multiple denial of visitation, phone calls, not being at the residence she was supposed to be living at and multiple skipped court dates by my ex, a judge finally issued a warrant for her arrest. When they located her, she was in RI staying with her family hiding in their back house. She was arrested but because it was no longer my weekend when they were

found and picked up my daughter went back to her grandparents house (My ex's parents). I filed for emergency custody but that was denied by judge Epstein. While my ex was being held, my lawyer found a loop hole that allowed my case to be heard in my state. However, the judges in Boston did not have enough time to overturn Epstein's decision before my ex had to be released. She was allowed to return home and the case was bounced back to Hartford. Again, she refused to attend court, skipping date after date. However, Epstein had been disbarred and Dolan was now overseeing my case. He said the case was so messed up he had to see everything first hand to make a decision what to do about it. Finally, I got a call from my daughter, after many tries each time being told I had the wrong number, from a blocked number wishing me a happy birthday on my voicemail. I tried the numbers I had to call her back, but no luck. Same story each time- being told I had the wrong number or it just being sent to a voice automated voicemail box. Christmas I got another call from her wishing me a Merry Christmas. Finally, December 26, 2009 I received a call from the blocked number, answered it and it was my daughter. I had a decent conversation with her and my ex offered to let me come pick her up and keep her from Thursday through the weekend of the new year. As soon as we hung up, my ex started texting me telling me that wasn't going to work, she needed to switch days and tried starting an argument over it stating I hadn't been in my daughter's life and I need not push the issue and should be grateful for what I get. So I took it immediately to the court to find out if I would in fact be able to get my daughter, how best to go about picking her up and have many other questions answered. However, when I arrived I learned that she had Judge Taylor issue a warrant for my arrest due to lack of payment of child support This was quickly cleared up when I proved that Judge Epstein suspended my child support due to the denial of my visitation in the end of 2008. . So, clearly, her plan was never to allow me to pick up my daughter for a visit, it was to trick me into going to her house to be arrested (much more on false charges). Judge Dolan, seeing the messages and hearing of the manipulation of the court with Judge Taylor determined that psychological evaluations were necessary for my ex and my daughter to see how the situation was affecting her. Both went to the original ones, however my ex was issued a second set because hers didn't match up and she never went. In January 2010 a warrant was issued for her but she was never picked up on it. After time went by, March 2010, Judge Dolan issue me custody of our daughter and I was told as soon as they were found my daughter would be returned to me. My ex played many games harassing over the internet claiming she was looking for me but couldn't locate me. Each time I messaged her on face book I would get messages back saying that I needed to leave her and her daughter alone and that her daughter is none of my business. (to which I do have all printed). I kept in contact with the court and kept being told "we're doing what we can". I was given leads that she was on a naval base in Groton but I don't know if anyone ever followed up with that. In February, 2011, I learned of a court date I was never notified of in which my ex went in, had her warrants dropped based on the fact that she wasn't a flight risk and then supposedly had my rights revoked due to not being a part of my daughter's life for nearly 2 years. She went before Judge Olear (again playing judge against judge). I found out about this after the fact and tried everything I could to contest it. But I still had no address and no contact information for my ex. Recently, I have found her. She married a man in the US. Navy originally from IA. I have found photo evidence of her being in IA through 2010 (while the warrants were out for her arrest) on his family's farm. He was stationed in Groton during the time frame when it was suggested that she was on a naval base. I have since learned of her address in Groton a La Triumph apartments where everything was in his name. She changed her numbers, even switched providers. Also, her vehicle is different and registered

to him (as a close friend now reveals, however they only reveal enough to pretend like they're helping and be part of the drama instead of actually caring about getting my girl home to me). In October a friend of theirs notified me about a school fundraiser and gave me the information. It was to Emerald Heights Elementary school. My daughter is currently out in WA state. The only information I have on my 6 year old is her school information. Her mother still plays phone games. I have my house number set to not accept blocked calls so she's been calling me at work. She called me as recently as April 2nd 2013. Long enough for my daughter to remember who I am and then hangs up on me and tells everyone I hung up on her and I don't want anything to do with her. It's not true. Not in the least. I've spent all this time looking for her. At the end of the school year I was notified that they moved again. While I cannot determine for sure that it's because I located them, that has been the pattern. However, they did stay in state, only moving school jurisdiction and a town away. I have since located her at PineCrest Elementary and have their actual address.

Stephanie, (French, no longer Bostick) is taking me through the DCS for child support that was suspended. Recently, I learned that it was reinstated at the 2011 court date I was not notified of. Wa says they do not have jurisdiction and I have to continue going through the CT courts. I have been in contact with Judge Olear and she refuses to look at the case. She told me she would review the entire case and see what could be done as I was asking for my ex and my daughter to be brought back and given me temporary custody until a hearing could take place for a fair case. Instead, Judge Olear had me wait a week and informed me she reviewed her notes and her notes say I was served for the case and gave me the name- Daniel Ficacelli- is who served me and I need to get in contact with him. I can't get in contact with him because it's just an answering machine and supposedly he's in ICU. So I can, still, after 4 years of not knowing where my daughter was, not get any help in seeing her. Last I knew I had custody and there were warrants for my ex's arrest.

The CT court system has been nothing but a run around. The judges don't seem to communicate with each other on the cases or even look into the background of cases before they make decisions off of what's said. If Judge Olear looked into the case at all she would have seen the run around and that I had custody of my daughter. There was a reason judge Dolan made that call. I should have been notified the moment my ex re-appeared for any reason. Now due to the lack of communication and provisions involved in maintaining court orders and fair decisions my daughter is on the other side of the country and a third state is now involved in decision making.

The court system in CT fails. And the more I research it, it fails father/child relationships. The state of CT is failing the children that are the main reason they're open. All I want is to be a part of my daughter's life. She deserves to know her daddy loves her and that even though the relationship between her mother and I didn't last, she was not a mistake to either one of us. But no. Instead, my daughter gets to hear how daddy is nothing but a deadbeat. He doesn't want you because you were born a girl and now he has the boys he always wanted. While her mother allows her to make calls to me when she feels like it and then hangs up to "prove" she's trying and daddy doesn't bother. How fair is that to my daughter? What is the point in going out of your way to upset a child? Much less lie about the fact that I don't want her. There is nothing more than I want to have her here with me.

Her room is still the same. She has presents from Christmases, Easters, Birthdays past. Clothes for each season in her drawers, different sizes as I've guessed how she'd grow, all still with tags on them, never worn. She was never for a second out of mind. She is just as much loved today as she was the day we brought her home from the hospital.

My wife and I are broken hearted. Parental alienation tears families apart. There's no reason my daughter has to be going through this. There's no reason she shouldn't know both her parents (step included) and know all of her siblings. All I want to do is hug my little girl again. They've been out in Wa for a while now. I had them served in CT before they left. The Marshal says he served them, but no court date was granted. I had them served again in IA at his family's farm and the Marshal out there says he served them as well. So please tell me, why Judge Olear or the state of CT won't do anything to make this right?

They didn't have my permission to leave with my daughter, my rights never should have been revoked since I was granted custody and now Judge Olear says that it's null and void and she didn't need permission to leave? Tell me why then? Why is it kidnapping when we're in MY HOUSE, On a visitation, following court order and the mother just wants the child home early but it's not when the mother disappears and jumps states and fleas warrants??

Shouldn't CT have to fix their wrongs and make amends? My daughter is living in emotional turmoil, being used and manipulated for whatever suits her mother. Nothing my ex is doing is in the best interest of our daughter. My ex's psychological state should also be placed into question as she spends her time harassing my wife and threatening my children with my wife through the internet. And it was in question through the state of CT as well when Judge Dolan issued psychiatric evaluations. Something needs to be done. It's these children that suffer when adults can't act like adults. We're supposed to guide these children, raise them to be the future, to be giving and caring but some people don't know how to set that example.