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Subject: In Re [REDACTED]

Dear Ms. Michelli,

In regards to the aforementioned matter, I am asking you to reconsider the disruption in the children's lives. From my position, knowing the intervenor, Brett Lang, and witnessing his interactions with the children, he is the proper party to care for the children. He has been the only constant positive figure in their lives, looks out for their best interests, and even kept them every other weekend after DCFS returned the children to the mother. It appears that Mr. Lang has rubbed someone the wrong way in the department and the children are being used against him. It is not the mission of child protection to punish people, but to restore the family and keep the children safe both physically and emotionally.

Not only does this harm Mr. Lang, but more importantly, it harms [REDACTED] immensely as he misses his Poppa. He misses his second home where he has his bed, clothes and toys. The department claims he is safe. As he may be physically safe, the harm brought onto a child emotionally by removing him from his mother and placing him with a stranger instead of the constant person in their lives, can have serious consequences to his emotional stability.

I was not able to represent Mr. Lang on that date. A fellow associate of mine did so, as he has intimate knowledge of Mr. Lang and the children's history. It has come to my attention that Mr. Lang should not aver that DCFS is the only party who objected to the children being placed due to "not being certified, and failing to report the mother", both of which are inaccurate. That is a fact that these assertions were made and can and will be attested to if need be.

I am hoping that you reconsider and look into any other issues similarly situated as this is surely not an isolated incident. Thank you for taking the time to consider Mr. Lang's position.

Regards,

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