

# *Adriana Sansome Neves*

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## **RE: CHILD CUSTODY & REQUEST FOR CHILD SUPPORT**

My name is Adriana Neves. I am in need of legal assistance for a child custody and request for a child support order be in place as soon as possible. I was scheduled to attend the legal clinic last week, but I was unable to attend.

I would like to briefly provide you with each of our personal backgrounds, interactions, behaviors and the support system our family shared. I believe providing this detailed information is warranted to highlight events that have led us to our present situation.

### ***Urgent Update***

Child's biological father, living in California (unwillingly) had temporary custody of his first and only 11 year-old daughter for one year. The father has taken full advantage of the mother's turn of unfortunate events to work in his favor.

Not only does the father refuse the biological mother to see her own daughter, he also refuses to return daughter to mother, (mother having had physical and legal custody of daughter over 10 years, although not court ordered.)

Moreover, it appears caring for his 11 year-old daughter proved to be an overwhelming burden that hindered both his and his 25 year-old, live-in girlfriend's lifestyle and independence.

It must have been so daunting, that the father secretly relinquished his parental duties and diverts guardianship to a non-relative, living in Nevada, (out of state). This was done without the mother's knowledge, consent, or authorization either written, verbal, expressed nor implied. No court proceedings or findings were not furnished to the mother either.

Should any documents or signed Orders pertaining to the guardianship, custody, visitation, education, medical care and/or financial support of Andrea L. Taubkin exist in any judiciary court in the United States, said documents were falsely obtained, forged, withheld and/ or improperly or not served on the mother, as she was sole custodial parent

When I questioned the father. *"Why not return her to me? If you don't want her, I want her! I'm her mother!"* The father simply replied *"Andrea is better suited living with her brother and his family."*

NOTE: Andrea has not lived with her brother Aidan in over four years and has never met or spent time with his new family until the first meeting January 30, 2018 over dinner.

Object to her living in Nevada. House filled with young men (2 teenage boys, 1 father and 1 toddler boy. Only female caregiver does not know andrea and I only have met her once.

Mother is capable of raising daughter and ready to regain primary custody of child, if so ordered.

### **INTERESTED PARTIES**

***Peter A. Taubkin***, non-custodial, biological father.

***Adriana Sansome Neves***, biological mother and full-time custody (legal & physical), for 10 years.

***Andrea L. Taubkin***, 11 year-old minor daughter to Peter Taubkin and Adriana Sansome Neves involved in named custody case.

***Aidan McCoy***, 14 year -old, half-brother to Andrea L. Taubkin and son to both Adriana Sansome Neves and Corbey McCoy residing in Nevada

***Corbey McCoy***, ex-husband to Adriana Sansome, father to Aidan McCoy and present caregiver to Andrea L. Taubkin residing in Nevada

***Necretia Bastian McCoy***, wife to Corbey McCoy and present caregiver to Andrea L. Taubkin and Aidan McCoy residing in Nevada.

### **FACTS PERTINENT TO CUSTODY**

- For 10 years, mother is custodial parent with legal & physical custody
- Parents never married nor lived in same home
- Paternity has established (Declaration & Birth Certificate Signed)
- Andrea L. Taubkin DOB 11/10/06. Father's first and only child of Peter Taubkin
- All parties lived in California for six years. Father lived in Northern, California (Big Sur, CA). Mother lived in Southern, California (Greater Los Angeles Area)
- Long distance (5 hour or up to 8 hours) between cities making it easier not to see Andrea
- Absentee parent, not involved whatsoever in daily decision making, not planning of events, birthdays or holidays. Never showed true interest for additional time.
- Saw Andrea 4 times a year (4 weekends a year) appx. 64 hours a year total.

However, he never requested overnight visits with Andrea nor did he extend his visitation hours. He simply would spend a maximum of four hours a day, or a total of eight hours for his quarterly weekend visit. He never had any additional time with her nor asked about overnight stays with her.

**NOTE:** I never was able to have a break or extended alone time because he always made a point to bring his girlfriend to either Los Angeles or Austin and used it to his advantage and doubled visitation time as a "romantic weekend getaway." Extending his visits would hinder his plans to socialize.

- Mother and children (a son from a prior marriage, Aidan McCoy) move to Texas, as California was too expensive and wanted to spend less to be able to spend time with kids. (Believing in his promise of “never changing support amount again.”)
- **2014** Andrea’s half brother, Aidan McCoy, age 10, moves to Nevada with his father. This was an agreement made between his father Corbey McCoy and I when he was five years old.
- **2014 November 8th**, I, Adriana Sansome Neves, arrested for felony possession of 1.2 grams of controlled substance. Bail posted the sum of \$1,200. Peter Taubkin was aware of my arrest.
- **2017, April**, I, Adriana Sanome Neves, had to submit to a pre-probationary assessment , which included a urinalysis. Needless to say, the test results were positive for drugs. (This was for a 3.5 year-old felony possession case that had finally worked its way through Waco's (McLennan County) Criminal Courthouse.
- Due to my positive test results, McLennan County's Probation office contacted CPS opened a case on 5/22/17 after learning my results.
- **2017 June**, I start to become gravely ill, continuous depletion of red blood cells without identifying source. Uncontrollable fevers and fatigue set in.
- **2017, June 19th** Sentencing Day. Court set at 8:30 am
- **2017, June 19th** Was in hospital receiving blood transfusion (MISSED COURT DATE)
- **2017, June 19th** Judge issues warrant for arrest Bond Forfeiture.
- **2017, June/July** CPS case manager, Monica Williams, arrives at my door.
- **2017, July 5th** (On or about) Eviction process begins and Monica wishes for me to take
- Drug test. Unable to stop packing and no available vehicle I advise her I cannot go at the she advises due to time constraints and due to my unavailability, it was an automatic fail/positive result not because I tested positive, simply because I did not show.
- **2017, July 15th** was my deadline to leave home. I had to leave many things behind and could not clean the home as I would have liked to and was forced out by property managers and Monica Williams suggested I give children to a relative or else CPS would take the children to foster care until parent or relative could claim them.
- **2017, July 17th** both my children, Aidan McCoy and Andrea Taubkin, both boarded their respective airplanes headed to Nevada and California. The hardest day of my life, needless to say.
- **2017, July 17th** Andrea L. Taubkin is now living with her father in Santa Monica, California.
- **2017, Aug. Sept** I am homeless and living out of my car. I become very ill with fevers and gastrointestinal issues.
- **2017, October 19th** I drive myself to nearest emergency room and remain there for a month. Peter and Andrea knew of my whereabouts, they sent flowers. Received three blood transfusions during my hospital stay. The doctors were very concerned so much that the nurse’s filed for Social Security on my behalf and the doctors advised me if my

numbers don't turn around, for me to notify family members to make arrangements for children and death.

- **2017, November 22nd** I, Adriana Sansome Neves, was discharged from hospital.
- **2017, December 15th** started to move-in to my apartment. All family members aware of new apartment.
- **2017, December 17th** I, Adriana Sansome Neves, was being harassed by ex-boyfriend and called Austin Police Department and I was arrested due to an outstanding warrant. Family members were notified.
- Bond Forfeiture is a big misunderstanding. Hospital records were sent to my attorney months prior but his office had neglected to turn the documents to the courts for proof of hospital visit. My bail bondsman was also informed months prior and at the time of my incarceration, he too was also incarcerated.
- **2018, January 30th**, Both Peter and Andrea go to Las Vegas to visit half brother Aidan McCoy, now 14 years old. They both have dinner with Aidan's father (whom he's met a handful of times though a few playdates with my son and his fiancée Necretia Bastian and her two teenage boys, all of which neither one of them have ever met. It was brought to my attention that this meeting was not simply to visit Aidan, but to inquire as to having both Corbey McCoy and Necetia Bastian be caregivers to Andrea, as I was not "allowed" to have Andrea.

*This meeting /conversation was kept from me until June, 2018* when I asked Andrea if she was coming to see me and she said no. Her father did not want for her to see me but rather put her in summer camp for a month because she needed to learn to make friends. (Note: Andrea has never been away from home, prior to her forcefully made to live with her father last July. Andrea experiences anxiety, and had bed wetting issues. She begged for him not to enroll her but he did anyway. Thus, preventing her to spend time with me.

As a result of him not allowing Andrea to visit with me, Corbey McCoy, my son's father, also denies my visit with my son, as he said that I was not able to have him because of CPS' involvement.

**ALL OF THESE MEETINGS, CONVERSATIONS, AGREEMENTS AND DOCUMENT FILINGS WERE ALL DONE WITHOUT MY KNOWLEDGE, NO CONSENT WAS GIVEN, NOR WAS I NOTIFIED IN WRITING OR VERBALLY TO ANY LEGAL ACTIONS TAKEN IN THIS CUSTODY ISSUE. I WAS INTENTIONALLY KEPT AWAY FROM ANY COURSE OF CUSTODY ACTION**

**THANKFULLY, MY SON INFORMED ME THAT ANDREA WAS GOING TO LIVE WITH HIM SOMETIME IN LATE JUNE, 2018 OR EARLY JULY, 2018.**

- **2018, March 12**, I am released from Jack Harwell Detention Center.
- **2018, March 19**, during this week, I called Peter and Andrea to let them know I was home. Peter inquires as what my plans are with Andrea. I told him that I was not in a position to give a direct answer because of my health and pending medical exams. However, I made it very clear that my intention was to always get Andrea back to me that

was why I got a two bedroom apartment to begin with and she was to stay in California until she finished the school year. Once Andrea started the school year, it was made clear that she would not be pulled out mid-year. Any decisions to be made were going to wait until the end of the school year, June, 2018.

**NOTE: CPS opened their case on 5/22/17 and closed on 6/25/17. Exactly two months from initial opening. There were no findings, no parental plans nor conditions imposed whatsoever. It was simply case closed.**

I want to make it clear that I do not agree with Peter's Affidavit (attached) appointing Corbey McCoy and Necretia Bastian as caregivers to Andrea L. Taubkin. I have been a good mother to all my children. I had a lapse in judgement 4 years ago in using drugs. I commenced using illegal drugs for a brief period due to my COBRA coverage expiring and not having access to medical care. I was in dire need of orthopedic care, treatment, surgeries: bilateral carpal tunnel release, back surgery at L5-S1, for scar tissue removal and for a torn meniscus, with a bucket-handle tear repair of the left knee. I was denied Medicare twice. I did not have the means to access medical care until my arrival to Austin, Texas where I learned about medical indigent care--MAP Program. I have not used any illegal drugs since the April 2017. I currently have medical care and back on medical regiment and piecing my life back together after an insurmountable amount of unfortunate events.

## **CHILD SUPPORT FACTS**

Father has made from timely and consistent support payments since her birth and he and he alone chose the amount and terms of support. Payments started to come later and later. Thus, making me late with rent and creditors. I was set-up for automatic payments through my bank which resulted in numerous late fees charges. There were times I had to call him and remind him to make the deposits altogether.

A court order for support never obtained. The following are significant changes he made along the years:

- **2006** Andrea is born on November 10th. Peter and I had great communication and he had always provided for us. and support payments start at \$7,300 a month. No problems, never late, deposits consistent thru 2011. The courts were never involved nor required. Before she was born, he self-imposed \$7300 a month in child support. He paid timely with no incidents for five years.
- **2011** Peter and I meet for sushi in Westwood area to discuss **he no longer could sustain \$7,300 a month and decides he could only afford \$3,000** and states ***"No changes would ever be made again, I promise."*** Support is now dropped to \$3,000 a month and payments resume until 2016.

This is also the year he changed deposit transactions. He went from auto deposits into the account to using Direct Pay which also delayed fund accessibility a few days. Although late, \$3000 payments were consistently deposited into the account until March, 2017.

- **2016** Father, Peter Taubkin, moves to Santa Monica, California, a beach community in Southern California with a new girlfriend. With that came, additional expenses for him.
- **2017** ***March, 2017, I (Adriana, mother), receive a phone call from Peter, (Father) Stating "He can no longer continue paying \$3,000.00 in child support. He can no longer sustain payments and he would cut me off and reduce the payment to \$1,000."*** I begged him not to do that because I could not afford to move and abruptly uproot her from school. Please wait until the end of the school year. I was taken aback by his request and was angry that he once again, solely decides to reduce payment without a court hearing and nor with significant notice

***April, 2017,*** I decide to finally take the matter to the proper channels. **I filed for child support order.** I filed solely because he had promised years prior not to change the agreement, the short notice and I wanted to have the court look into why the sudden changes. **His support changed from \$7,300 to \$3,000 now to \$1,200 why the sudden change?** I was growing a bit tired of having to constantly ask if he had made the deposit. This was beginning to be a routine. Therefore, I

requested the court's assistance simply to establish on a set amount that he could not change on a whim without the court's approval.

*June, 2017*, father receives notification of my court filing for child support and order. This infuriates him and tells me that ***"I have no jurisdiction in California and he was going to see to it that if I go up against him, there will be a battle. A battle I will not win."*** No more financial support.

*June, 2017*, last child support check received. I did not pay rent for June, 2017 as those funds were used to move out of the house. This in turn, lead his daughter and I to be evicted and eventually homeless. Father was made aware of our dilemma and refused to assist. I was a single mom and the only adult, along with my two children, moving a 4 bedroom, 3 bath home, with 2 car garage and attic. I had to go to court and fight for an extension to buy additional time. I was granted the extension, but I still had to do everything myself. Thankfully, I had occasional help from neighbors.

## **REQUEST COURTS TO**

- ❑ Reinstate, mother, Adriana Sansome Neves as primary custodial parent. I am requesting legal and physical custody of daughter, Andrea L. Taubkin, a minor in this case, as it remained uncontested for the past 10 years. However, I request father to fully participate in all aspects of the decision-making process for Andrea, as needed.
- ❑ Terminate, Peter Taubkin's "*Affidavit*" in appointing care to non-relatives, Corbey McCoy and fiancée Necretia Bastian. No documents were ever presented to inform mother, Adriana Sansome, of her loss of custody or parental rights. I was never informed, acknowledged or served any documents, despite the numerous telephonic contact between father and non-relative, Corbey McCoy. Both parties were aware of my exact whereabouts at all times, including the periods of my homelessness, August, 2017 through December, 2017.
- ❑ Request the "*Caregiver Form*" or any document granting temporary custody or guardianship issued in Clark County or in the State of Nevada to non-relatives Corbey McCoy and Necretia Bastian be immediately rescinded.
- ❑ Andrea L. Taubkin be immediately reunited with her biological mother, Adriana Sansome Neves immediately, per court Order.
- ❑ Child support order be issued and enforced commencing the first full month Andrea L. Taubkin is reunited with her mother, Adriana Sansome Neves and continue as so Ordered issued by the Los Angeles Superior Court.

### **❑ Visitation for Andrea L. Taubkin will be as follows:**

- ❑ Non-custodial parent is open to visit daughter, Andrea L. Taubkin, in Texas at any given time, providing a prior two-week notification of arrival.
- ❑ Andrea is to remain in Texas with her mother, Adriana Sansome Neves, the entire School calendar year (2018-2019) and every school calendar year thereafter until the age of 18 or any unforeseen circumstances arise that custodial parent cannot fulfill his/her obligation.
- ❑ Non-custodial parent is to spend majority of the summer break with Andrea L. Taubkin, commencing one week after the last day of the school year and is to return to custodial parent 1.5 to 2 weeks before the first day school resumes.
- ❑ The "spring break" visitation time period is left open for discussion at the discretion of non-custodial parent and Andrea L. Taubkin for final determination.
- ❑ Any modifications to the Visitation Plan must be discussed with other parent for feasibility and/or possible accommodations.
- ❑ Permanent modifications shall be presented to the court for a court order.

