



Child Custody Laws – Parental Abduction

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The Australian Federal Police (AFP) report on this devastating and unfortunately familiar occurrence; noting that ‘two to three children a week [are] brought into Australia or taken out of the country by a parent.’ Moreover, the AFP highlight the disastrous misconception that society often holds that if “if the child is with someone they trust, they are not in danger and should not be considered as missing.” Child abduction by a parent presents many serious concerns, for the child in particular who is subject to emotional trauma, confusion and potential health risks with parents avoiding doctors to prevent being traced.

There are actions you can take to attempt to prevent this occurrence or to act in the unfortunate case that it occurs. If you find yourself in this position or have reason to fear that your circumstances could potentially eventuate into a situation like this, it is advised that you seek advice on child custody laws from a family law lawyer. A family law lawyer can aid you in either applying for a location or recovery order to attempt to have your child returned to you or to help you get Court orders to prevent your child from travelling overseas.

Our specialist family law lawyers can assist and advise you in relation to your child custody rights under child custody laws. Our Accredited Family Law Specialists are able to look at the circumstances of your case and assist you in either preventing or returning your child who has been wrongfully taken to you.

For legal advice in relation to child custody laws, contact us on **1800 300 170 or email us at familylaw@matthewsfolbigg.com.au.**

Disclaimer

Family law situations can be complex and sometimes they can involve serious issues. Information outlined is proposed to provide general guidance only. Due to the seriousness of legal matters as well as the uniqueness of your individual situation, professional advice should be sought. For advice, please contact one of our Family Lawyers.

If you wish to read the ABC article for yourself you can locate it at the following link: <http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-04-06/father-of-abducted-daughters-says-...>