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Shared Parenting in the 21st Century

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Wally "Famous" Amos

Author and entrepreneur Wally "Famous" Amos, is an icon and his name is a household word. As founder of *Famous Amos Cookies* in 1975, and father of the gourmet chocolate chip cookie industry, to his latest enterprise, *Uncle Wally's*, he has used his fame to support educational causes. Since 1979, Wally Amos has been National Spokesman for Literacy Volunteers of America, and is also a Board Member of the National Center for Family Literacy and Communities in Schools.



Honorable Roscoe G. Bartlett (R-MD)

Considering himself a citizen-legislator rather than a politician, Congressman Bartlett is serving his seventh term in the U.S. House of Representatives, where he is actively involved in the 109th Congress as Chairman of the Projection Forces Subcommittee of the Armed Services Committee; Vice Chairman of the Small Business Committee; and as senior member of the Science Committee. In support of children's rights, Congressman Bartlett is a co-sponsor of proposed resolution in favor of joint custody.



John Bauserman, Jr., J.D.

John Bauserman is President, Board of Trustees, of the Children's Rights Council; a practicing family law attorney in northern Virginia, and a former lawyer for Neighborhood Legal Services, serving low income parents. He has written several appellate court briefs in favor of a child's right to shared parenting.



Margot Bean, J.D.

Margot Bean was appointed head of the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE), part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in 2005. She leads an office whose mission is to serve children and families by assuring financial and medical support. An attorney licensed in New York and Guam, she is the former president of the National Child Support Enforcement Association (NCSEA)



Amy Dickinson

Amy Dickinson writes for the Chicago Tribune and is syndicated in more than 300 newspaper's as a general advice columnist. Amy Dickinson has also contributed frequently to Time magazine, The Washington Post, Esquire, Allure and O magazine; and has provided commentary for National Public Radio's "All Things Considered" and "Sunday Morning" on CBS.



Rachel Forrest

Columnist, radio commentator, and entrepreneur, Rachel Forrest serves as the Children's Rights Council chapter and advocacy representative to the State of New Hampshire. She brings the differing perspectives, disappointing frustrations, and high expectations parents have of Family Law justice.



Honorable Paul W. Garfinkel

Judge Garfinkel has been a Family Court judge in Charleston, South Carolina for 11 years. He is on the state Chief Justice's Advisory Committee on Family Court, and is the longest serving judge on the state Juvenile Justice Task Force. He is also a board member of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ).



Ron Henry, J.D.

Ron Henry is the advisor to The Family Law Report of the American Law Institute and an advisor to the National Council of Commissioners for Uniform State Laws. He is a partner at the Kaye Scholer law firm in Washington D.C. and advises countless custody law reform advocates around the country.



Daniel B. Hogan, J.D., Ph.D.

Dr. Hogan is the Executive Director of Fathers & Families, a nonprofit organization advocating shared parenting, and is the author of four books on The Regulation of Psychotherapists. He has served as President of The Apollo Group and as a teaching associate of the Harvard University, Department of Psychology.



Ned Holstein, M.D., M.S.

Dr. Ned Holstein is the President of Fathers and Families in Boston. Fathers and Families led the effort (supported by CRC) in which a third of the residents of Massachusetts had the opportunity vote on a joint custody referendum. 85 percent of the voters asked to approve a presumption of joint custody for the Massachusetts Legislature.



Honorable Anita Josey-Herring

Judge Josey-Herring is the Presiding Judge of the Family Court, District of Columbia Superior Court with multi-jurisdictional responsibility for Adoptions, Domestic Relations, Juvenile, Neglect and Abuse, Marriage Bureau, Mental Health and Retardation, Paternity and Support.



Teresa L. Kaiser, J.D.

A member of the Children's Rights Council Board of Trustees, and former Director of the Child Support Enforcement systems in Maryland, Idaho and Missouri; Teresa Kaiser is an expert in the governmental administration of state legal and financial processes.



His Excellency, Jean-David Levitte

As the French Ambassador to the United States, Ambassador Jean-David Levitte has enjoyed a distinguished career in the French foreign service, serving on the staff of two French Presidents and holding various positions of distinction including Permanent Representative to the United Nations, and Senior Diplomatic Adviser to President Chirac.



David L. Levy, J.D.

David L. Levy is the Chief Executive Officer of the Children's Rights Council and a nationally known expert on children and family rights. He has directed CRC for 21 years establishing chapters in 39 states (including the District of Columbia) and 8 nations. Editor of "The Best Parent is Both Parents[®]", he has been quoted extensively in the media on issues of custody and access and their affects on children.



Hadassah Luther

Hadassah began her music and entertainment career when two years old, recording her first song with KMA Records at nine. She has since recorded several albums winning much critical acclaim including "Country Album Of The Year" from the Best Of Texas Country Music Association; 2002 – 2004; "Outstanding Performer Of The Year" by the TCMA; and most recently received the "Independent International Golden World Award" from the Tennessee Country Music Alliance.



Jayne A. Major, Ph.D.

Dr. Major is the founder of Breakthrough Parenting Services Inc., a non-profit agency providing educational services parents affected by divorce and child custodial issues. She wrote "Breakthrough Parenting: A Revolutionary New Way to Raise Children."



Elizabeth Marquardt

Elizabeth Marquardt is an author and affiliate scholar at the Institute for American Values, a nonpartisan think tank focused on children, families, and civil society. She is a frequent guest of television and radio forums addressing women's attitudes and children growing up with divorced parents.



Kenneth P. Moritsugu, M.D.

Admiral Moritsugu serves as the Deputy Surgeon General having forged a career in public health. Through a diversity of assignments and responsibilities, he has represented the federal government to numerous government and agencies in such areas as international health care, systems development, and delivery to underserved populations; natural disaster emergency health response; and health promotion/disease prevention.



Myrna B. Murdoch, M.A.

Recently appointed as the Executive Director, International Affairs of the Children's Rights Council, Myrna Murdoch works in liaison with the U.S. Congress, global legal firms, and international communities; and additionally serves on the board of the State of Hawaii, Commission on Fatherhood and the Children's Rights Council Board of Trustees.



Michael L. Oddenino, J.D.

Michael Oddenino serves as the General Counsel for the Children's Rights Council, and is a frequent speaker at the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts conferences and other seminars on family law. A prolific author, educator and teacher, he has presented numerous legal articles and professional seminars on family law and custody issues.



Honorable Paul P. Panepinto

Judge Panepinto, Court of Common Pleas in Philadelphia, is the former Administrative Judge for the Philadelphia Family Court. He is a Trustee and Board Member of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Secretary of the National Truancy Prevention Association; and serves as Pennsylvania Chair of the "Do The Write Thing" National Campaign to fight school violence.



Kathleen Parker

Kathleen Parker began her twice-weekly column in 1987 as a staff writer for *The Orlando Sentinel*. In 1995, her column rocketed in popularity and now appears in more than 300 papers nationwide focusing on social issues related to family, children and gender.



Honorable David Gray Ross

A member of the Children's Rights Council Board of Trustees, former Commissioner, Federal Office Child Support Enforcement, retired family court judge, and former Maryland legislator, David Gray Ross teaches Public Policy at the University of Central Florida.



Glenn Sacks

Glenn Sacks is a men's and father's issues columnist, commentator, and radio talk show host of *His Side with Glenn Sacks*. His columns have appeared in dozens of the largest newspapers in the United States. His informative e-mails describing family law matters go to hundreds of family law reform activists each week.



Honorable Sharon S. Townsend

Judge Townsend serves as the Administrative Judge of the Eighth Judicial District of New York, and the first Family Court Judge in the State to be appointed Administrative Judge. Judge Townsend, long recognized for her work on behalf of children and families, has received the Court Appointed Special Advocates Light of Hope award, the Gateway Friend of Children award; and additionally distinguished by the County of Erie as one of the "Women Making History".



Dwight Twilley

A native of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Dwight Twilley remains one of the most popular and proficient recording artists of Pop, Rock and Country music. Spanning more than three decades from his first hit single "I'm on Fire" in 1975 to his latest release *Scuba Divers* in 2006, and album *47 Moons* in 2005; Dwight Twilley continues to delight fans around the world with his "unique and enduring sound".



Honorable Albert R. Wynn (D-MD)

Serving his seventh term in the U.S. House of Representatives, Congressman Wynn is an advocate of children and small business issues. In continuing his work toward these goals and support of children's rights, Congressman Wynn is also the co-sponsor of proposed resolution in favor of joint custody.



Cathy Young

Cathy Young is an editorial columnist for the *Boston Globe*, a research associate at the Cato Institute in Washington D.C., and prolific writer of policy analysis on such subjects as jurisprudence, equal rights, feminism, neo-paternalism, gender, and other family issues.