



## SAFETY AND JUSTICE FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN THE FAMILY LAW COURT

This campaign focuses on the needs of women and children seeking safe living arrangements for them and their children through the Family Law Court after they have escaped Domestic Violence. Many women and their children suffer domestic violence and ongoing threats to their safety through judgements handed down by the Family Law Court.

**The NSW Women's Refuge Movement is aware that women and children's safety continues to be threatened through:**

- attending the court itself
- unsafe interim orders
- Family Law Court processes such as mediation
- Handover/contact/residency arrangements
- Unsafe extended family or kin contact arrangements

**The NSW Women's Refuge Movement is calling on refuges to have input into the campaign by following the steps in the Campaign Kit. Included in this kit is:**

1. A brief background to the campaign outlining the impact of this issue on women and children escaping domestic violence and child abuse.
2. Information on how you can get involved
3. Target areas to guide women writing letters
4. A confidentiality agreement
5. An example letter
6. A list of the politicians and decision-makers to send letters to
7. A list of national and rural newspaper contacts to send letters to the editor to

### **Background**

The Howard government announced an Inquiry into "child custody arrangements in the event of family separation" last year. The inquiry report, *'Every Picture Tells a Story: Report on the Inquiry into child custody arrangements in the event of family separation'* was released in December 2003. Some of the recommendations within the report are a cause for concern to the WRRM:

*"A key part of the Committee's view of shared parenting is that 50/50 shared residence (or 'physical custody') should be considered as a starting point for discussion and negotiation."  
(HORI Report 2003 p.32)*

Women currently undertake at least 80% of the primary care of their children prior to separation. It is in the "best interest of the child" for this arrangement to continue. Changing the starting point of child contact and residency arrangements to 50/50 will make escaping domestic violence and child abuse through the family law court more difficult than it already is.

Chief Justice Nicholson of the Family Law Court completed a survey in 2003 showing that of the 6% of women and children who make it to the final stage of judgment in the family court, more than two thirds of them have issues of physical domestic violence (*Submission of The Family Court of Australia: Part B Statistical Analysis*, to the HoR Inquiry into Child Custody Arrangements, Feb 2004).

Men's organisations have campaigned to increase contact with their children and decrease child-support payments post-separation. Through our campaign the WRM would like to address the excessive influence that their concerns have had on the findings and recommendations of this report and influence the politicians who will be responsible for amendments to the Family Law Act or Family Court policy.

## How to get involved in the campaign?

The WRM has committed to run this campaign to improve the safety of women and children experiencing domestic violence prior to or as a result of going through the Family Law Court. It is time that the voices of women suffering domestic violence reached the politicians. The politicians and the policy makers need to hear the stories of refuge residents, ex-residents and workers.

If you, someone you know, or someone you have worked with, has been placed in a situation of difficulty or danger as a result of going through the Family Law Court the WRRM has set out some simple steps for you to get involved.

We have identified six major areas (listed below) where women and children are often disadvantaged and placed in danger as a result of their experience during the court processes, procedures and child contact and residency arrangements. We have prepared a guide for each of the six areas to help you write the letters.

**Identify which of the following six areas most relates to the circumstances and experience of you or someone you have worked with and proceed directly to the appropriate letter writing guide.**

Women and children who:

1. experienced domestic violence that was not physical but in other forms e.g. financial, psychological, emotional, social, cultural or religious – and was not recognised by the Family Law Court when the child-contact and residency orders were finalised.
2. settled the contact/residency arrangements before taking their case to a final judgement by the Family Law Court because;
  - (a) of the unsafe family law court processes and procedures.
  - (b) of lack of confidence in achieving a better outcome through continuing the court process.
3. the effect of domestic violence on your children or child abuse, prior to separation was not adequately taken into account by the Family Law Court and your child/ren continue to suffer as a result.
4. are suffering financial difficulties due to receiving disproportionate child support arrangements through the Family Law Court.
5. who continued to experience intimidating threats or behaviour, domestic violence and/or child abuse as a result of interim orders which did not adequately take into account the domestic violence or child abuse.
6. who continue to experience intimidating threats or behaviour, domestic violence and/or child abuse as a result of the final contact/residency arrangement made by the Family Law Court.

The WRM would like to see as many letters going to the politicians as possible. The more letters, the stronger the campaign!

Refuge workers are also encouraged to write supplementary letters based on their experiences and the women they have worked with in these situations.

Please mail the letters to the WRRC **by the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2004** who will retain copies for future action/research or future campaign action and will forward them on to the appropriate politicians and decision-makers. Also included is a confidentiality agreement if you choose to send your letters to the WRRC. If you would prefer send your letter directly to the politicians (contacts included in this kit), to the Family Law Court and your local federal member.

**If you would like to get involved in the campaign, contact the WRRC on (02) 9698 9777 or by email on <po2@wrrc.org.au>**

**The NSW Women's Refuge Movement**  
**Family Law Campaign**  
**Confidentiality Agreement.**

If you choose to send copies of your letter yourself to the appropriate politicians and decision makers, a list of their names and addresses is included for your convenience at the end of this Campaign kit.

The Women's Refuge Resource Centre is offering to send copies of your letter to all of the list for you. If you wish to take up this option, please post your signed letter to:

Family Law Campaign  
619 Elizabeth St,  
Redfern NSW 2016

The Women's Refuge Resource Centre seeks your permission to retain a copy of your letter for the purpose of future campaigning to improve family law procedures and processes for women and children experiencing domestic violence and child abuse.

Identifying details contained in the letters will not be used by the Women's Refuge Resource Centre or the NSW Women's Refuge Movement in any future campaigning without seeking your permission.

If you do not wish for a copy of your letter to be retained by the Women's Refuge Resource Centre, please indicate below and we will respect your wishes.

Please **tick** the appropriate box.



**I give consent** to the Women's Refuge Resource Centre to retain a copy of the letter I have written for the Family Law Campaign.



**I do not give consent** to the Women's Refuge Resource Centre to retain a copy of the letter I have written for the Family Law Campaign.

Name.....

Signature.....

Date.....

(Your Address)

### Example letter

The Honorable Larry Anthony  
Minister for Family and Community Services  
Parliament House,  
Canberra, ACT 2600

(Date)

Dear Sir (or Madam),

(suggested introduction)

I am writing to you in about the recommendations made in the Parliamentary Report, 'Every Picture Tells a Story', into child custody arrangements. I am a mother who was in a violent relationship, which threatened the physical health and emotional wellbeing of my children and myself. I went to the Family Law Court in an effort to protect myself and my child/ren. I am therefore deeply concerned that the report recommends changing the policy of the Family Law Court so that 50/50 shared residency (or physical custody) becomes the starting point for discussion and negotiation.

(Insert your specific comments here, with reference to the guiding questions)

(Suggested ending)

I call on you to acknowledge that the majority of women, such as myself, go through the Family Law Court to try to ensure my safety and the safety of my child/ren.

I do not support changing the Family Law Court processes, by legislation or policy, to automatically give the violent parent increased access through contact or residency orders. It is already difficult for women in situations of domestic violence to protect themselves and their children.

I implore you not to make it any harder for women and children going through the Family Law Court, and to instead look at ways of improving the processes identifying and then protecting women and children from violent partners.

I look forward to your response to these matters.

Yours sincerely,

(Your Signature)

(Your name)



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### A guide for letter writing

The questions are only a guide to stimulate your thinking and not a questionnaire that you must complete in full. We want the letters to demonstrate the ways that the court processes and orders currently do not provide safe outcomes for women and children experiencing domestic violence and child abuse. This will illustrate why the WRM opposes any changes to the Family Law Court that will weaken the starting point of negotiations for the parent and child/ren suffering domestic violence and child abuse.

#### AREA 1

**Women and children who experienced domestic violence that was not physical but in other forms e.g. financial, psychological, emotional, social, cultural or religious – and was not adequately recognised by the Family Law Court when the child-contact and residency orders were finalised.**

Questions to think about in your letter:

1. What forms of domestic violence or child abuse did you and your child/ren experience prior to going to the Family Law Court?
2. Did you or your solicitor tell the Family Law Court about the violence you and your children were experiencing?
3. If so, what evidence did you present to the Court? Eg: did you write an affidavit, submit an AVO, counselors reports, etc?
4. Did the court take this into account when making the contact/residency orders/arrangement for you and the children?
5. If so, how is this reflected in your contact/residency arrangement?
6. If not, what effects are the arrangements having on you and your children?

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<b>AREA 2</b>
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**Women who settled the contact and residency arrangements before taking their case to a final judgment by the Family Law Court because of**

**(a) the unsafe Family Court processes and procedures**

**(b) a lack of confidence in achieving a better outcome through continuing the court process**

**Questions to think about in your letter:**

1. What forms of domestic violence and child abuse did you and your child/ren experience prior to going to the Family Law Court?
  
2. At what point in the process in the Family Law Court did you stop?
  
3. What stopped you from going through the process to final orders? Eg:
  - threats and potential of violence escalated
  - the court processes such as mediation were unsafe or inappropriate
  - couldn't get legal aid and couldn't afford to pay for legal assistance
  - did not think that you would be able to achieve a better outcome through the court process.
  - the interim orders/arrangement where unsatisfactory
  
4. What are your current child contact and residency orders/arrangement?
  
5. Is domestic violence or child abuse a continuing issue for you and your children?
  
6. What are the ongoing impacts on you and your children?

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<b>AREA 3</b>
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**The effect of domestic violence or child abuse on your children, prior to separation, was not adequately taken into account by the Family Law Court and your child/ren continue to suffer as a result.**

**Questions to think about in your letter:**

1. What forms of domestic violence and child abuse did you and your child/ren experience prior to going to the Family Law Court?
  
2. What was reported/presented to the court as evidence? Eg: a separate psychologists report, a child assessment report, DOCS report, an AVO, etc.
  
3. Was a child representative appointed?
  
4. Did the court take into account evidence presented when making the child contact and residency orders/arrangement? How?
  
5. What remained inadequate about the orders/arrangement?
  
6. What was/were your child/rens response to the contact and residency orders/arrangement?
  
7. What are the ongoing impacts on you and your children?

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<b>AREA 4</b>
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**Women and children who are suffering financial difficulties due to receiving disproportionate child support arrangements through the Family Law Court.**

**Questions to think about in your letter:**

1. Who was the primary carer of the child/ren prior to separation?
2. Did your ex-partner aim for and get more contact than they had with the child/ren prior to separation?
3. Does your ex-partner see the child/ren on all the contact days allocated to him in the order?
4. Do you receive child support payments that are not reflective of the care that you continue to provide? Do you have financial difficulty as a result? Eg: you are still paying more rent, bills, schooling, clothing and medical expenses.
5. What effect/impact has this had on you and the children?

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<b>AREA 5</b>
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**Women and children who continued to experience intimidating threats or behaviour, domestic violence and/or child abuse as a result of interim orders which did not adequately take into account the domestic violence or child abuse.**

**Questions to think about in your letter:**

1. What forms of domestic violence and child abuse did you and your child/ren experience prior to going to the Family Law Court?
2. What was reported/presented to the court as evidence? Eg: a separate psychologists report, a child assessment report, DOCS report, an AVO, etc.
3. Did the court take this into account when they made the interim order?
4. What were the interim orders/arrangement? How long were they set for?
5. Did the interim orders/arrangement made by the Family Law Court place your safety and the safety of your children at risk? How?
6. What were the effects of the interim orders/arrangement on you and your children?
7. Did you continue through the process with the Family Law Court? If not, why?
8. If so, did your final child contact/residency orders/arrangement adequately take into account the safety and wellbeing of you and your children?

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<b>AREA 6</b>
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**Women and children who continue to experience intimidating threats or behaviour, domestic violence and/or child abuse as a result of the final contact/residency arrangement made by the Family Law Court.**

**Questions to think about in your letter:**

1. What forms of domestic violence and child abuse did you and your child/ren experience prior to going to the Family Law Court?
  
2. How are the final contact and residency orders/arrangement unsafe?
  
3. Did you try to go back to the court for a variation to the final child contact/residency orders?
  
4. If not, why? Eg:
  - you couldn't get legal aid, or afford the costs yourself?
  
  - while the situation is ongoing, there is no 'new evidence' as required by the court?
  
5. If so, what was the outcome?
  
6. What are the continuing effects/impacts on you and your children?



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### Who to write to

WRRC is offering to copy and send your letters for you to this list, as we are aware that you are busy. This will also allow the movement to keep track of the numbers of letters being sent, and the issues raised. If you would like us to do this, then please mail your letter to;

WRRC Campaign for Safety  
Level 1, 619 Elizabeth St  
Redfern NSW 2016

Or, if you would prefer, you can send your letter directly to the politicians listed below:

#### Send a letter to

**The Hon Lawrence (Larry) Anthony**  
*Minister for Family and Community Services and  
Minister for Children and Youth Affairs*  
PO Box 6996  
Tweed Heads South NSW 2486  
E-mail: Larry.Anthony.MP@aph.gov.au  
Tel : (07) 5524 2466, Fax : (07) 5524 9366

**The Hon Wayne Swan**  
*Shadow Minister for Family and Community  
Services*  
PO Box 182  
Nundah QLD 4012  
E-mail: Wayne.Swan.MP@aph.gov.au  
Tel: (07) 3266 8244 Fax: (07) 3266 4263

**The Hon Kay Patterson**  
*Minister for Family and Community Services and  
Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Status  
of Women*  
270 Clayton Road,  
Clayton VIC 3168  
E-mail: senator.kcpatterson@aph.gov.au  
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**The Hon Phillip Ruddock**  
*Attorney General*  
PO Box 1866  
Hornsby Westfield NSW 1635  
Tel: (02) 9482 7111 Fax: (02) 9482 7018

**Family Law Council**  
Robert Garran Offices, National Circuit  
BARTON, ACT, 2600  
Email: flc@ag.gov.au  
Tel: (02) 6250 6842 Fax: (02) 6250 6521

**The Hon Nicola Roxon**  
*Shadow Attorney General and Assisting the Leader  
on the Status of Women*  
204 Nicholson St  
Footscray VIC 3011  
Email: nicola.roxon.MP@aph.gov.au  
Tel: (03) 9687 7355 Fax: (03) 9689 6523

#### You can also send a letter to

##### Your local Federal Member of Parliament

To find out who and what their details are, visit [www.aph.gov.au](http://www.aph.gov.au) or call the Australian Parliament House on (02) 6277 7111.

It is important that your local Member knows what the issues are in their electorate. It's their job to listen and respond to your concerns, and represent you in Federal Parliament.

**Senator Michael Forshaw (ALP)**  
*Parliamentary Secretary for Family and Community  
Services*  
PO Box 1067  
Sutherland NSW 1499  
Email: senator.forshaw@aph.gov.au  
Tel: (toll free) 1300 301 781 Fax: (02)

**Senator Jacinta Collins (ALP)**  
*Shadow Minister for Children and Youth*  
Unit 6, 410 Burwood Highway  
Wantirna South VIC 3152  
Email: senator.jacinta.collins@aph.gov.au  
Tel: (toll free) 1300 131538 Fax: (03) 9800 2421

**Senator Kerry Nettle (Greens)**  
Ground, 111-117 Devonshire St  
Surry Hills NSW 2010  
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Tel: (02) 9690 2038 Fax: (02) 9690 2041

**Senator Natasha Stott-Despoja (Democrats)**  
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Rundle Mall SA 5000  
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# PETITION

## Safety for women and children in family law

### TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ASSEMBLED IN PARLIAMENT:

This petition of certain citizens of Australia calls for a rejection of the presumption of 50/50 shared residency being the starting point of all negotiations for child contact and residency in the Family Law Court. This parenting arrangement has not been found to be ideal or practical for most families, and is actually dangerous in cases where there is entrenched conflict, child abuse or domestic violence.

**We, the undersigned, call upon the Federal Government and the Family Law Court to improve the safety of women and children by**

- Ensuring that the best interests of the child are held up in the Family Law Court above the rights of a violent parent.
- Guaranteeing that women and children, especially those suffering domestic violence, have access to legal representation.
- Implementing a rebuttal presumption of no contact when there are allegations of domestic violence and child abuse.
- Legislating a presumption of safety in the Family Law Court.
- Implementing processes within the Family Law Court that screen for domestic violence and child abuse.

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Please mail (not fax) the completed petition to the NSW Women's Refuge Resource Centre:  
Level 1, 619 Elizabeth St, Redfern NSW 2016. For more information on the campaign call 02 9698 9777.

# Safety and Justice for women & children in Family Law

## The majority of families going through to final judgment in the Family Law Court experience domestic violence and child abuse

A 2003 Family Law Court survey showed that of the 6% of women and children who make it to the final stage of judgment in the Family Law Court, more than two thirds are dealing with issues of physical domestic violence (*Submission of The Family Court of Australia: Part B Statistical Analysis*, to the HoR Inquiry into Child Custody Arrangements, Feb 2004).

This figure does not even take into account women and children experiencing non-physical forms of domestic violence such as financial, psychological, emotional, social, cultural or religious.

### Women are still responsible for 90% of the primary care of children

The Family Law Court currently commences negotiations on this basis.

The Government thinks that this is not 'fair' and wants to change the basis for negotiations to a presumption of 50/50 shared residency.

A 2003 House of Representatives Inquiry into child residency arrangements post-separation recommends that this presumption is not made into law because of the impact that this will have on families suffering domestic violence. Yet they and the government want to bring it in the back-door by making the presumption of 50/50 shared residency the starting point for negotiations for child contact and residency orders in the Family Law Court.

This is:

**Not safe**  
**Not in the best interests of the child**  
**Not in the best interests of the mother**



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Level 1, 619 Elizabeth St, Redfern NSW 2016  
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## The Howard Government and the Family Law Court need to improve the safety of women and children by

- ensuring that the policy of the Family Law Court is not changed to a starting point of 50/50 shared residency for negotiations.
- ensuring that the best interests of the child are held up in the Family Law Court above the rights of the non-resident or violent partner.
- guaranteeing that women and children experiencing domestic violence have access to legal representation.
- implementing a case management system based on the Magellan Project in Victoria. To be effective it would need to broaden its focus from child abuse to all forms of domestic violence.
- implementing the recommendations from the Family Violence Consultation Committee Report (June 2003) of the Family Court of Australia.

### How to get involved in the campaign

**Write a letter to the major dailies and  
to your local newspaper.** Tell them that politicians  
need to take responsibility for the safety of  
women and children post-separation.

**Write a letter to a politician**  
Prime Minister John Howard  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

Hon Larry Anthony *Minister for Family  
and Community Services and Minister for  
Children and Youth Affairs*  
PO Box 6996  
Tweed Heads South NSW 2486  
E-mail: Larry.Anthony.MP@aph.gov.au  
Tel : (07) 5524 2466, Fax : (07) 5524  
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The Hon Wayne Swan *Shadow Minister  
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PO Box 182  
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### Come to International Women's Day 2004 Rally and March

Come and march with the NSW Women's Refuge Movement: look for the banner! Saturday, 13th March, 2004, 11am at Town Hall, Sydney. At 11.30am, Argentinian women drummers will lead the march to Hyde Park where there will be speakers, entertainment, kid's activities, as well as stalls for organizations, campaigns and food. To find out what's going on in your area log on to [www.women.nsw.gov.au](http://www.women.nsw.gov.au).

**Download our action kit for more information** from [www.wrrc.org.au](http://www.wrrc.org.au) or call the Women's Refuge Resource Centre on 9698 9777 and we will send you one.

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# NSW Media Contact List

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The Age	www.theage.com.au
The Canberra Times	canberra.yourguide.com.au/home.asp
The Australian Financial Review	afr.com
The Daily Telegraph	www.dailytelegraph.news.com.au
The Weekly Times	www.theweeklytimes.news.com.au/
Your Guide (160 local newspapers)	www.yourguide.com.au/yourguide.asp
Independent News Group Online	www.inews.net.au/
McPherson Media Group	newspapers.mcmedia.com.au/index.asp?pub=FIN

## Social, Cultural or Political papers

Irish Echo	www.irishecho.com.au/
The Green Left Weekly	www.greenleft.org.au
The Guardian (Communist party)	www.zipworld.com.au/~cpa/guardian/guardian.htm
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Bharat Times (Indian)	www.bharattimes.com/
Melbourne Community Voice (GLBT)	www.mcv.net.au/
The Sydney Star Observer (GLBT)	www.ssonet.com.au/home.asp
National Indigenous Times	www.indigenoustimes.com.au
Workers Online	workers.labor.net.au/latest/
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## Regional & Rural Newspapers

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Blue Mountains Gazette	bluemountains.yourguide.com.au/home.asp
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