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Agency: DEPARTMENT FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES DFPS

First Name: Melinda

Last Name: Coffelt

Title: Grandmother who may never see her grandson again.

Organization you are affiliated with: TASH and Autism Self Advocacy

City: Jacksboro

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: The reports are imperative but if they do not follow the rules they already have. The whole system is out of control. Kids need to be protected - yes!

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: It will not solve problems to give them more funds. The Caseworkers that I dealt with operate any way they feel. The CPS Books give guidelines that are not followed. In my grandsons case the Judges do whatever the DA says including denial of due process. Reading a statute and then twisting it to disallow a Grandparent - Standing. I never did anything wrong, never was told about my rights, never received a copy of a Service Plan, Child Plan nor Family Plan. They are Court records showing I received or was informed that did not happen. The Ad Litem literally tried to bribe me and silly me told the Judge! i have filed Adoption/Termination papers that should not even involve CPS but they said We got PMC now. I tried for Conservatorship with a Vice Principal, letters from my community, An Autism Advocate, My sister and family friends in court but I was told I did not have Standing. My sons Rights were terminated and rightly so. The confidential report I gave to CPS was put on record in the Court files. The school was the one who finally called CPS and he was removed. I am the good guy but I may never see my grandson again because of CPS people that can not use over worked as a reason to make false reports and TOO MUCH POWER!  
Power to destroy lives with no conscience!

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree