

# California Dependency Online Guide

# User Guide

The [California Dependency Online Guide](#) is a free, resource website for attorneys, judicial officers and other child welfare professionals in California. The website is run by staff at the [Center for Families, Children & the Courts](#) (CFCC) at California's [Administrative Office of the Courts](#) (AOC).

To access the website, go to:

[www.courts.ca.gov/dependencyonlineguide](http://www.courts.ca.gov/dependencyonlineguide)

This user guide explains the features of the website and offers some tips about how to use it most effectively.

Please contact us with questions, suggestions, or to get assistance in subscribing, at:

415-865-8018 or

[dependencyguide@jud.ca.gov](mailto:dependencyguide@jud.ca.gov)

# Homepage

This is the California Dependency Online Guide (CalDOG) homepage, located at [www.courts.ca.gov/dependencyonlineguide](http://www.courts.ca.gov/dependencyonlineguide). From here, you can subscribe or log in, and once logged in, you can access all resources on the website. The various parts of the homepage are explained below, and many are explained in more detail on the pages that follow.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the California Dependency Online Guide. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the CalDOG logo and a search box. Below the navigation bar is a sidebar with a menu of categories. The main content area features a 'What's New' section with a list of recent updates, a 'Subscriber Login' box, and a 'Subscribe' box. At the bottom, there is an 'About Us' section and a footer with contact information and copyright details. Red circles with numbers 1 through 13 are overlaid on the page, pointing to specific features: 1 (Subscribe button), 2 (Subscriber Login box), 3 (What's New box), 4 (Browse Topics button), 5 (Keyword Search box), 6 (California Law section), 7 (Conferences and Trainings/MCLE section), 8 (Briefs, Motions, and Writs section), 9 (Reunification / FM (Family Maintenance) Service Providers section), 10 (Experts section), 11 (Publications section), 12 (Links section), and 13 (Contact Us link).

- 1 - *Subscribe* button. New users click here to sign up. See page 3.
- 2 - *Subscriber Login* box. Once you are subscribed, use this box to type in your user-name and password each time you visit the website.
- 3 - *What's New* box. Child welfare news, updated weekly. See pages 4-5.
- 4 - *Browse Topics* button. Access an index of child welfare-related topics to search for information across the website. See pages 6-7.
- 5 - *Keyword Search* box. Type in a search term to find all documents on the website that contain that term. See page 8.
- 6 - *California Law*. Access case law, regulations, rules of court and other legal resources. See pages 9-13.
- 7 - *Conferences and Trainings/MCLE*. View the conferences and trainings calendar, take on-line courses for credit, and view handouts and materials from past trainings. See pages 14-15.
- 8 - *Briefs, Motions, and Writs*. View samples of these legal documents for ideas about content and formatting. See page 16.
- 9 - *Reunification / FM (Family Maintenance) Service Providers*. Access listing of agencies and individuals offering services in each county. See pages 17-22.
- 10 - *Experts*. Access listings of experts and expert witnesses in each county. See page 23.
- 11 - *Publications*. View and download articles, research reports, brochures, judicial bench guides and other publications. See pages 24-26.
- 12 - *Links*. View state and national child welfare-related links. See page 27.
- 13 - *Contact Us*. Use this link to send us suggestions or ask questions about the website or your subscription.

# Subscribing

Subscriptions are free. Select *Attorney*, *Judicial Officer*, or *County Child Welfare Worker* if one of those three terms describes your profession. Please select *Other Child Welfare Professional* if you are a professional working in the California child welfare system not described by one of the other terms. This includes tribal representatives, CASA volunteers, law students, social work students and others. After you select your subscription type, fill out the subscription form. Your subscription will be processed within two business days.

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The *Subscribe* button will take you to the following page.

The screenshot shows the website for the Judicial Council of California's "caldog" (California Dependency Online Guide). The page features a navigation menu on the left with links to Home, California Law, Conferences and Trainings/MCLE, Briefs, Motions, and Writs, Reunification/FM Service Providers, Experts, Publications, and Links. A search bar and "Browse Topics" button are at the top right. The main content area is titled "Choose Your Subscription Type" and includes a "Subscribe | Log In" link. The text explains that there is no charge for subscribing and that subscribers must be California attorneys, judicial officers, county child welfare workers, or other child welfare professionals. It also provides instructions for non-professionals (CASA or volunteers) to subscribe under the supervision of a professional. A list of subscription types is provided at the bottom: Attorney, Judicial Officer, County Child Welfare Worker, and Other Child Welfare Professional. An Adobe Reader download button is visible in the bottom left corner.

# What's New

Clicking on any item in the *What's New* box on the homepage will take you to the *What's New* page.

Click on any headline to open and read the news item. New items are usually posted weekly. Items typically remain in the *What's New* box for about a month before being archived.

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- [Beyond the Bench Deadlines — Hotel by May 10, Conf. by May 24](#)
- [Dependency Law: The Year in Review - 1/1/10 Materials Available](#)
- [Public Invited to Comment on Rule and Form Proposals](#)
- [California Courts to Close May 19th and 3rd Wed. of Each Month](#)
- [Foster Care Month California Capitol Kick-off Event, May 3rd](#)
- [CA Child Welfare Council Issues Recommendations](#)
- [Beyond the Bench Conf. — June 3 & 4, 2010 — Registration Open](#)

The 'What's New' page on the right features a search bar, a 'Log Out' link, and a 'WHAT'S NEW' section. It includes a note about Adobe Acrobat Reader and a list of news items:

- 05/03/10 [Beyond the Bench Conference Deadlines — Reserve Hotel by May 10th, Register for Conference by May 24th](#)
- 04/28/10 [Juvenile Dependency Law: The Year in Review — 1/1/2010 Materials Are Now Available on the Other Training Materials Page](#)  
*Juvenile Dependency Law: The Year in Review (2010)* is a set of materials from a Northern California Association of Counsel for Children (NCACC) training offered in March 2010 in San Francisco and Sacramento.  
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- 04/13/10 [The California Child Welfare Council Recently Issued Recommendations to Improve the Child Welfare System](#)
- 04/02/10 [Beyond the Bench Conference — June 3 & 4, 2010 — Registration Now Open](#)

A red arrow points from the 'Experts' link in the left navigation menu to the 'Experts' link in the right-hand 'What's New' page. At the bottom right of the page, there is a link for [View News Archives](#).

# News Archives

When older news items are removed from the *What's New* box, they move to the *News Archives* page.

To access this page, click on the *View News Archives* button on the bottom of the *What's New* page. Click on any headline to open and read that item.

The image displays two screenshots of the CalDOG (California Dependency Online Guide) website. The left screenshot shows the 'WHAT'S NEW' section, and the right screenshot shows the 'NEWS ARCHIVES' section. A red arrow points from the 'View News Archives' link in the left screenshot to the 'NEWS ARCHIVES' heading in the right screenshot.

**Left Screenshot: WHAT'S NEW**

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**NEWS ARCHIVES**  
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- 03/25/10 [AOC Issues Request for Proposals \(RFP\) for Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Curriculum Development](#)
- 03/22/10 [Tribal Projects Web Page Now Available on the AOC-CFCC Web Site](#)
- 03/16/10 [AOC Issues Request for Proposals \(RFP\) for Marin County Dependency Representation](#)
- 03/15/10 [CalDOG Update: Many Live and Distance Trainings Opportunities Now Available](#)
- 03/03/10 [Federal District Court Recently Issued Final Judgment in Group Homes Rate Case](#)
- 02/25/10 [Great Opportunities for Foster Youth](#)
- 02/25/10 [Los Angeles and Other Locations within and outside California to Celebrate Family Reunification](#)
- 02/22/10 [AOC Issues Request for Proposals \(RFP\) for San Diego Dependency Representation](#)
- 02/18/10 [Training Opportunity: Juvenile Dependency Law Update: The Year in Review, March 2 in San Francisco and Sacramento](#)
- 02/11/10 [The Fourth National Incidence Study of Child Abuse and Neglect Report Is Now Available](#)
- 02/11/10 [State Courts Will Be Closed February 12, 15 and 17](#)
- 02/08/10 [Please Take Our Survey on Unmet Legal Needs of Children and Parents in California's Dependency System](#)
- 02/04/10 [CalDOG Update: 211 Websites and Online Services Directories Now Included in Service Providers Section of This Site](#)
- 02/01/10 [The California Fostering Connections to Success Act \(AB 12\). If Enacted, Would Provide New Funding and Opportunities for California Foster Youth](#)
- 01/27/10 [Scholarship Opportunity for Foster Youth Announced by Casey Family Programs](#)

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# Browse Topics

Using the *Browse Topics* button, on the top, right corner of the screen, is the most accurate and efficient way to search the website for information on a particular topic. Clicking on *Browse Topics* accesses the index of all topics used on the website.

Individual items on the website, including each case summary, publication, sample motion, etc. are coded with one or more topics by attorneys and other trained staff. Topics are assigned to each item based on relevance. Searching for content using *Browse Topics* allows you to look for all information on a particular topic, regardless of where on the website it is located. See below and the next page for more information about how this works.

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### BROWSE BY TOPIC

Select a topic you are interested in to get a list of resource types (for example: publications, cases, motions) related to that topic. Select the resource type to view and download the materials.

Many of the documents and listings on this site have been assigned multiple topics, so you will see some information in more than one topic category when you view items in related topics.

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- [300: Basis for Jurisdiction](#)
- [309: Investigation Pre-Detention](#)
- [317: Appointment of Counsel](#)
- [319: Initial Petition Hearing](#)
- [332: Contents of Initial Petition](#)
- [342: Subsequent Petition](#)
- [348: Amendment of Petitions](#)
- [349: Child's Presence in Court](#)
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- [350\(c\): Demurrer](#)
- [352: Continuances](#)
- [355\(a\): Jurisdictional Hearing](#)
- [355\(b\): Social Study and Hearsay Contained Therein](#)

First, click on the *Browse Topics* button to open this topical index.

Then, click on the *WIC#* button to access materials organized by California Welfare and Institutions Code section numbers.

Or, click on any letter of the alphabet to access materials organized by alphabetical topics.

Some topics, when you click on them, will open a number of sub-topics.

# Browse Topics (continued)

After you have selected a *WIC#* or a letter, you will see the listings of the topics that start with that number or letter.

Click on a topic or a subtopic to see all items across the website coded with that topic

For example, if you select the letter “L” and then the topic *Law Updates-Annual*, you will see a listing of the sections of the website that contain information on that topic. In this example, you can see that we currently have 2 Conferences & Trainings, 14 Other Training Materials items, etc.

Select one of these categories (*Conferences & Trainings*, for example) and the website will bring you to a list of each of the items in that category.

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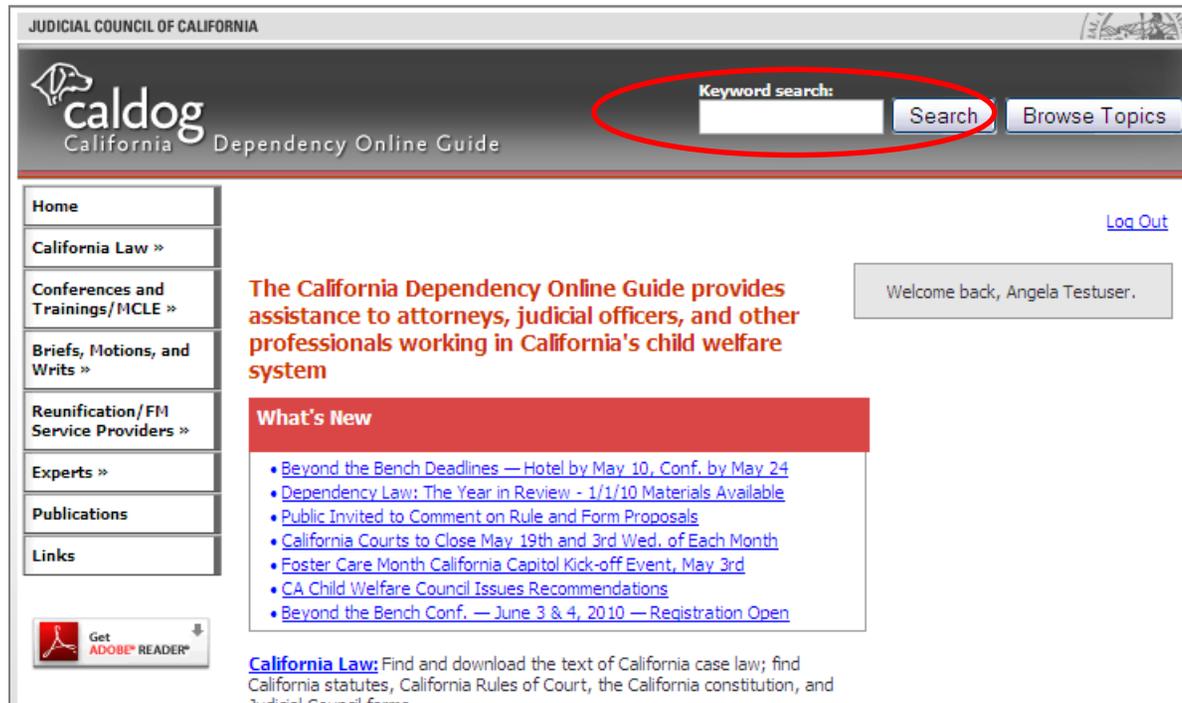
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# Keyword Search

In addition to the *Browse Topics* button, there is also a *Search* button near the top right corner of the screen. To use this feature, type a search term into the box labeled *Keyword Search* and then click the *Search* button. *Keyword Search* will look for all documents on the website that contain your search term. Typically, you will get more results than when you search with *Browse Topics*, but the results may be less relevant.



Tip: We recommend trying *Browse Topics* first, because the results from using *Search* are often less relevant than results using *Browse Topics*. For example, if you search in *Browse Topics* for “transition-age youth”, the search results would yield information that is ABOUT transition-age youth. If you do the same search using the *Search* button, your search results would yield any items that contain the term, “transition-age youth”, but are not necessarily about that topic. So your results may yield a case that has that term in a footnote, although the case is about a different issue.

# California Law

The *California Law* button on the main page opens six additional buttons. These will allow you to access:

- *California Case Law.* See next few pages for discussion.
- *Regulations.* Links to California and Federal regulations.
- *Link to California Code.* Link to the California Law page operated by the Legislative Counsel of California. You can search for a statute by keyword within a code, or select a code (such as Welfare and Institutions Code) without entering a keyword and it will give you the table of contents for the entire code.
- *Link to California Rules of Court.* Link to the Rules index on the California Courts website. Family and Juvenile rules are in title five.
- *Link to California Constitution.* Link to the California Constitution online.
- *Link to Judicial Council Forms.* Links to the forms page on the California Courts website. To view juvenile forms, go to the “select a form group” box, and scroll down and select “juvenile”.

The screenshot shows the 'JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA' website. The main navigation menu on the left includes 'Home', 'California Law', 'Conferences and Trainings/MCLE', 'Briefs, Motions, and Writs', 'Reunification/FM Service Providers', 'Experts', 'Publications', and 'Links'. The 'California Law' menu is expanded, showing sub-links for 'California Case Law', 'Regulations', 'Link to California Code', 'Link to California Rules of Court', 'Link to California Constitution', and 'Link to Judicial Council Forms'. The 'California Case Law' link is highlighted with a red box. Below the navigation menu, there is a search bar and a 'Browse Topics' button. The main content area displays a list of case law entries, including 'Aceves v. Superior Court', 'Adoption of Aaron H.', 'Adoption of Alexander S.', 'Adoption of Allison C.', 'Adoption of Arthur M.', 'Adoption of Daniele G.', 'Adoption of Hannah S.', 'Adoption of Jacob C.', 'Adoption of Kelsey S.', 'Adoption of O.M.', 'Akkiko M. v. Superior Court', 'Alicia B. v. Superior Court', 'Allen M. v. Superior Court', 'Alliance for Children's Rights v. Los Angeles County Dept. of Children', 'Amanda H. v. Superior Court (LA Co. DCFs)', 'Amber K. v. Superior Court', and 'Amber R. v. Superior Court'. A 'Related Links' section on the right includes links to 'California Code', 'California Rules of Court', 'California Constitution', 'Judicial Council Forms', and 'Regulations'. A 'Case Law Included in This Database' section provides details about the database's scope and includes a list of case law entries.

# California Case Law

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## California Case Law

Download the text of California dependency-related case law. To find out whether a California case is still good law, check it on [LexisNexis](#). "!" denotes seminal cases.

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[A.H. v. Superior Court, \(2010\) 182 Cal.App.4th 1050](#)  
! [Abraham L. v. Superior Court, \(2003\) 112 Cal.App.4th 9](#)  
[Aceves v. Superior Court, \(1996\) 51 Cal.App.4th 584](#)  
[Adoption of Aaron H., \(2000\) 84 Cal.App.4th 786](#)  
[Adoption of Alexander S., \(1982\) 44 Cal.3d 857](#)  
[Adoption of Allison C., \(2008\) 164 Cal.App.4th 1004](#)  
[Adoption of Arthur M., \(2007\) 149 Cal.App.4th 724](#)  
[Adoption of Daniele G., \(2001\) 87 Cal.App.4th 1392](#)  
[Adoption of Hannah S., \(2006\) 142 Cal.App.4th 988](#)  
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[Adoption of O.M., \(2008\) 169 Cal.App.4th 672](#)  
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[Alicia B. v. Superior Court, \(2004\) 116 Cal.App.4th 856](#)  
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[Alliance for Children's Rights v. Los Angeles County Dept. of Children, \(2002\) 95 Cal.App.4th 1129](#)  
[Amanda H. v. Superior Court \(LA Co. DCF\), \(2008\) 166 Cal.App.4th 1340](#)  
[Amber K. v. Superior Court, \(2006\) 146 Cal.App.4th 553](#)  
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The California Case Law section of the website contains nearly all published California dependency cases since 1997, and some pre-1997 cases. New cases are added monthly, usually within the month after the decision is published.

This section also contains a few family law, juvenile delinquency and probate cases, as well as federal cases from the U.S. Supreme Court and 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeal that are relevant to a California child welfare audience.

Important Tip: Before relying on any case found on CalDOG, be sure to *Shepardize* it to make sure it is still good law! CalDOG does not have the staff resources to routinely update cases once they have been posted. So a case may remain on the website for some time after its holding has been modified or even overturned.

The *All Cases by Name* list appears first, in which the cases are sorted alphabetically by case name.

Tip: In *All Cases by Name*, many cases are found under the letter "I" for "In re".

# California Case Law (continued) – Sorting by Citation and Seminal Cases

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[In re E.O., \(2010\) 182 Cal.App.4th 722](#)  
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[In re G.M., \(2010\) 181 Cal.App.4th 552](#)  
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[In re Anna S., \(2010\) 180 Cal.App.4th 1489](#)  
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Clicking on *All Cases by Citation* sorts cases by citation with the current year's cases first. See the example on the left.

Tip: *All Cases by Citation* sorts by citation, not by date, so some cases will display slightly out of chronological order. For example, Federal 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit cases will display at the top of the list for each year, while California Supreme Court cases will display at the bottom.

Clicking on *All Seminal Cases* will display only those cases that are considered seminal on the basis of their impact on daily practice and the frequency of their citation in the appellate courts. These cases are denoted with an "!!".

# California Case Law (continued) – Sorting by Topic, and by Citation Within a Topic

Clicking on *All Cases by Topic* sorts the cases by topic, so you can see only those cases that are relevant to the topic you are researching. Note that the topics used here are the same topics that are in the *Browse Topics* index.

Tip: To research case law related to a particular Welfare and Institutions Code section, select *All Cases by Topic*, then select the numeric WIC# topic. In the example below, the topic *317: Appointment of Counsel* was selected, and the results appear in alphabetical order by case name.

The screenshot shows the 'JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA' website with the 'caldog' logo and 'California Dependency Online Guide'. A search bar is at the top right. The main content area shows the breadcrumb 'California Law > All Cases > 317: Appointment of Counsel'. Below this, the heading 'All Cases: 317: Appointment of Counsel' is displayed. A red circle highlights two links: '>> 317: Appointment of Counsel : Sort by Citation' and '>> 317: Appointment of Counsel : Seminal Cases Only'. A red arrow points from the text in the adjacent box to the first of these links. Below the links is a list of case citations, including 'Adoption of Jacob C.', 'Akkiko M. v. Superior Court', 'In re A.M.', 'In re Alexis W.', 'In re Angel W.', 'In re C.P.', 'In re Candida S.', 'In re Carrie M.', 'In re Charlisce C.', 'In re D.D.', 'In re David H.', 'In re Dennis H.', and 'In re Gary U.'. On the right side, there are sections for 'Related Links' and 'Case Law Included in This Database'.

## Sorting Cases within a Topic:

Once you select a topic, you can sort your results by citation within that topic or you can view only seminal cases within that topic.

In the example on the left, to view the same results by citation, you would click on *317: Appointment of Counsel: Sort by Citation*. The cases would then be sorted by citation, with the most recent cases first.

Similarly, to view only the seminal cases under this topic, you would click on *317: Appointment of Counsel: Seminal Cases Only*. This would display cases that are “seminal”, or most significant, within that topic.

Please note that to use these sorting features, you must access the cases through the *California Case Law* button, not through *Browse Topics*.

# California Case Law (continued) – Viewing Cases and Case Summaries

The screenshot shows the 'California Dependency Online Guide' website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the 'caldog' logo and a 'Keyword search:' field with 'Search' and 'Browse Topics' buttons. Below the navigation bar is a sidebar with menu items: Home, California Law, Conferences and Trainings/MCLE, Briefs, Motions, and Writs, Reunification/FM Service Providers, Experts, Publications, and Links. The main content area is titled 'In re M.B.' and includes a breadcrumb trail 'California Law > In re M.B.'. It features a 'Download' column with a 'View Case' link and a 'Summary' column containing the case details. A 'Related Links' box on the right lists 'California Code', 'California Rules of Court', 'California Constitution', 'Judicial Council Forms', and 'Regulations'. Another box titled 'Case Law Included in This Database' lists the types of cases included in the database.

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*In re M.B.*, (2010) 182 Cal.App.4th 1496  
 Indian expert's failure to interview parents was not cause for reversal of termination of parental rights.

The children in this case were found by the juvenile court to fall under ICWA. At the 366.26 hearing, the juvenile court applied ICWA, which requires the expert opinion of an Indian expert that continued custody of the child by the parent or Indian custodian would result in serious emotional or physical damage to the child. The expert concluded that continued custody of the child would cause serious damage and that active efforts were made by the social worker to prevent the breakup of the Indian family. Parental rights were terminated. Live [Edit](#)

Both parents appealed, arguing that the order terminating parental rights must be reversed because the investigation conducted by the Indian expert was substantively deficient.

**Related Links**

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**Case Law Included in This Database**

This database includes:

- California decisions that arose from a dependency petition and were published on or after January 1, 1997 (When the most recent, major legislative revisions of the Welf. and Insti. Code were adopted). Cases included may have subsequently been overturned or modified on appeal. New cases are added monthly.
- Most California decisions of any date that are still cited in either Seiser & Kumli, *California Juvenile Courts Practice and Procedure* (LexisNexis) or *California Juvenile Dependency Practice* (CEB).
- Seminal cases (denoted by "I"): A case is designated as seminal on the basis of its impact on daily practice and the frequency of its citation in the appellate courts.
- California cases from other fields of law, and federal court cases, that significantly affect or provide guidance to dependency practitioners.

When you click on a case name, it will open up the case summary, which includes topic words, the case name and citation, a brief summary, and a link to the .pdf file of the opinion.

All summaries are written, edited and topically coded by attorneys at the Center for Families, Children & the Courts.

Click on *View Case*, to the left of the summary, to view or download the court opinion.

Click on the *LexisNexis* link near the top of the screen to look up and view the case on *Lexis* and to access limited case history (full *Shepard's* service is not available through this free link). No *Lexis* password is required.

# Conferences and Trainings/MCLE – Conference Calendar

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**Upcoming Conferences and Trainings**

Find national, statewide, and local dependency-related conferences and training events.  
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Date	Location	Title	Sponsor	Topic(s)
05/10/10 to 05/11/10	Seattle, WA	18th Annual Children's Justice Conference	Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Children's Administration; Children's Justice Task Force <a href="#">Go to the Site</a>	Child Welfare
05/11/10	Oakland	The Impact of Sexual and Domestic Violence on Teens	Foster Youth Alliance <a href="#">Go to the Site</a>	Sexual and Domestic Violence Effect on Teens <a href="#">For Social Workers and Other Direct Service Staff</a>
05/12/10 to 05/14/10	Clearwater Beach, FL	The 17th Annual National Foster Care Conference: Footsteps to the Future	Daniel Memorial Institute <a href="#">Go to the Site</a>	Foster Care Issues Attachment Child Welfare Parenting
05/17/10 to 05/21/10	Louisville, CO	15th Annual Rocky Mountain Child Advocacy Training Institute	National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA), National Association of Counsel for Children (NACC), and the Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center <a href="#">Go to the Site</a>	Child Advocacy Intensive Training <a href="#">For Attorneys</a>

To view the Conferences and Trainings Calendar, click on *Conferences and Trainings/MCLE*, and then select *Upcoming Conferences and Trainings*.

The calendar includes local, California, and out-of-state events, and also includes trainings that are offered via teleconference, webinar or other distance learning method. Some of the trainings are offered by the Administrative Office of the Courts, but the majority are sponsored by other organizations and agencies.

Use the search features at the top to search by date or location. Or simply scroll through the pages to learn about a variety of upcoming events.

Tip: Some conferences and trainings are for a limited audience (usually limited by geographic area, or by profession). These requirements are indicated in the *Topics* column.

# Conferences and Trainings/MCLE – Distance Learning

Distance Learning Courses are courses that you can take on the internet or in some other way that does not involve attending an in-person training event. Many distance learning courses offer continuing education credits to attorneys, judicial officers, and other professionals.

On CalDOG, click on *Conferences and Trainings/MCLE*, and then select *Distance Learning* to find courses that are offered for-credit. Select *8 Hours of Initial Training* to access a group of courses that meet the 8-hour training requirement for attorneys who would like to be court appointed to represent parents and children. These courses are also relevant for judicial officers and other professionals who are new to dependency. Select *Other For-Credit Courses* to see additional distance learning courses that are not part of the 8 hours of course work.

Tip: These courses are all free, so they are a great way to meet continuing education requirements.

The screenshot displays the CalDOG website interface. On the left, a navigation menu lists various categories, with '8 Hours of Initial Training' circled in red. A red arrow points from this link to the main content area on the right. The main content area shows the '8 Hours of Initial Training' page, which includes a summary of the training materials, a video player, and a list of related materials. The page title is '8 Hours of Initial Training' and the content describes materials that meet the initial 8 hours of training or education for dependency attorneys. The page also includes a summary section with a 'View' button, a video player, and a list of related materials.

# Briefs, Motions and Writs

The *Briefs*, *Motions*, and *Writs* button on the main menu opens separate buttons for these three types of documents. Click one to view sample documents of that type. These redacted documents have been generously donated by practitioners throughout California and are provided for reference and ideas about content, organization and formatting.

Tip: These documents may not be legally accurate. Before relying on any cases or legal arguments found within these donated documents, be sure to *Shepardize* and do any other necessary legal research.

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The *Briefs*, *Motions*, and *Writs* pages are organized by topic, as seen in the example to the left.

The *Motions* section gives you an additional option to view documents by motion type, such as 388 motions, a motion for the appointment of an expert, or a motion for a blood test.

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**About the Listings in This Directory**

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The *Reunification and Family Maintenance (FM) Service Providers* button opens four other buttons to allow you to:

- Search by county;
- Search by type of provider (such as therapists, or substance abuse treatment programs);
- Search by name, for an individual, agency or organization; or
- Browse a list of names.

# Service Providers - Search by County

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If you select *Reunification and Family Maintenance (FM) Service Providers* and then select *Search by County*, this checklist of all California Counties will appear.

Select one or more counties, then click *Search* and you will get a list of all service providers listed on the website for that county or counties.

# Service Providers – County Listings

This is a sample of service provider listings in one county.

If you click on any item in this list, it will open to show more complete contact information and other notes about the services offered.

The screenshot displays the 'caldog California Dependency Online Guide' website. The main navigation menu on the left includes links for Home, California Law, Conferences and Trainings/MCLE, Briefs, Motions, and Writs, Reunification/FM Service Providers, Experts, Publications, and Links. The main content area shows 'Reunification/FM Service Provider Listings' for Tuolumne County. A table lists various providers, with 'Center for a Non Violent Community (CNVC)' circled in red. A red arrow points from this entry to a detailed view of the provider on the right. This detailed view includes a table with 'Service Provider' and 'Provider Type' columns, and a text box titled 'About the Listings in This Directory'.

Name	Type	County
<a href="#">All</a>		
<a href="#">Alano Club</a>	Substance Abuse Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Center for a Non Violent Community (CNVC)</a>	Domestic Violence	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Chantana Echoes, Inc.</a>	Substance Abuse Assessment, Testing and Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP)</a>	Medical Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">ICWA Resources Directory (link)</a>	Tribes — Services for Indian Children and Families	All Counties
<a href="#">InfoNet</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Kene Me-Wu Family Healing Center, Inc.</a>	Domestic Violence	Tuolumne
<a href="#">KingsView Behavioral Health and Recovery Services</a>	Mental Health Diagnostic and Treatment Center — Substance Abuse Assessment, Testing and Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Maynard's Chemical Dependency Recovery Centers, Inc.</a>	Substance Abuse Assessment, Testing and Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Raising Healthy Families</a>	Parenting Classes and Instructors	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Sonora Parent Nursery School</a>	Parenting Classes and Instructors	Tuolumne

Service Provider	Provider Type
Center for a Non Violent Community (CNVC) <i>Formerly Mountain Women's Resource Center</i> 19900 Cedar Road North PO Box 1147 Sonora, CA 95370 <b>County:</b> Tuolumne <b>Phone:</b> 209-588-9305 or 209-533-3401 (24 hour Crisis Line) <b>Fax:</b> 209-588-9272 <a href="#">Link to Site</a>	Domestic Violence  All services are free and confidential.

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# Service Providers by Type, Within a County

After searching by county, you have the option to select *Narrow Search by Type* to find just one kind of service provider in that county.

In the following example, we searched for all services in Tuolumne County, then narrowed our search by type to view agencies under *Substance Abuse: Treatment* within Tuolumne County, which yielded this list of substance abuse treatment agencies within the county.

The screenshot shows the CALDOG (California Dependency Online Guide) website. The top navigation bar includes the logo and the text "JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA" and "California Dependency Online Guide". A search bar is visible at the top right. The main content area is divided into a left sidebar with navigation links and a main content area. The left sidebar includes links for Home, California Law, Conferences and Trainings/MCLE, Briefs, Motions, and Writs, Reunification/FM Service Providers, Experts, Publications, and Links. The main content area shows the breadcrumb trail: "Reunification/FM Service Providers > Providers by County > Provider Listings > Narrow Search by Type". Below this, the heading "Narrow Search by Type" is displayed, followed by "Service Provider types in Tuolumne:". A list of service provider types is shown, with "Substance Abuse : Treatment" circled in red. A red arrow points from this link to the "Listings Found" section. The "Listings Found" section displays "Service Provider Type: Substance Abuse : Treatment in County or Counties: Tuolumne". Below this, a table lists the service providers found:

Service Providers	Type	County
<a href="#">All</a>		
<a href="#">Alano Club</a>	Substance Abuse Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Changing Echoes, Inc.</a>	Substance Abuse Assessment, Testing and Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">KingsView Behavioral Health and Recovery Services</a>	Mental Health Diagnostic and Treatment Center — Substance Abuse Assessment, Testing and Treatment	Tuolumne
<a href="#">Maynard's Chemical Dependency Recovery Centers, Inc.</a>	Substance Abuse Assessment, Testing and Treatment	Tuolumne

On the right side of the page, there is a sidebar titled "About the Directory" with the text: "These listing professional reunification services to their families routinely up Administrat does not gu To help exp e-mail us th information providers u".

# Service Providers by Type, Statewide

To search statewide for service providers of a certain type, click on *Reunification/FM Service Providers* in the main menu, and then select *Search by Type*. This will yield a list of types seen below.

The image displays two screenshots of the CALDOG (California Dependency Online Guide) website. The left screenshot shows the main navigation menu with 'Search by Type' highlighted in red. The right screenshot shows the 'Reunification/FM Service Providers by Type' page, which lists various service categories such as Developmental Disabilities, Disability, Domestic Violence, Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), Medical, Mental Health, Parenting Classes and Instructors, Psychiatry, Psychologist, Regional Centers, Services: Online Directories, Substance Abuse, Therapy, Tribes, and Wraparound / In-Home Services. A red arrow points from the 'Search by Type' menu in the left screenshot to the 'Reunification/FM Service Providers by Type' page in the right screenshot.

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**Reunification/FM Service Providers by Type: Services: Online Directories**

>> [Narrow Search by Region](#)

Service Providers	Type	County
<a href="#">All</a>		
<a href="#">211 Bay Area</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Marin Napa San Francisco Solano
<a href="#">211 Community Action Partnership of Kern</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Kern
<a href="#">211 Contra Costa Crisis Center</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Contra Costa
<a href="#">211 Fresno County United Way Resource Database</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Fresno
<a href="#">211 Healthy City</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Los Angeles
<a href="#">211 Kings County</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Kings
<a href="#">211 Monterey County</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Monterey
<a href="#">211 Nevada County</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Nevada
<a href="#">211 Riverside County</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Riverside
<a href="#">211 San Bernardino</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	San Bernardino
<a href="#">211 San Diego</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	San Diego
<a href="#">211 San Luis Obispo</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	San Luis Obispo
<a href="#">211 Santa Barbara</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Santa Barbara
<a href="#">211 Santa Clara County</a>	Online Directory of Local Services	Santa Clara

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Once you select a type, you will see all the listings in the state for that type of provider.

Here, we have selected the type *Services: Online Directories*, which has yielded a list of county services directories. These listings include links to the online directories for each county.

Tip: These online directories, often called *211* or *Network of Care* websites, frequently contain additional information not listed on CalDOG. They are particularly helpful in very large counties such as Los Angeles.

# Experts

The *Experts* section, which provides listings for experts and expert witnesses on a variety of topics, functions exactly the same way as the *Reunification and Family Maintenance (FM) Service Providers* section.

Tip: You must verify the qualifications of any expert you use. Expert listings are collected from attorneys, child welfare practitioners and court administrators. Experts are screened for basic qualifications, but not evaluated. The AOC does not endorse these experts. Please let us know if you are aware of an expert that should be included in these listings.

The screenshot shows the website interface for the Judicial Council of California's CALDOG (California Dependency Online Guide). The header includes the logo and a search bar with 'Keyword search:' and buttons for 'Search' and 'Browse Topics'. A left sidebar contains navigation links: Home, California Law, Conferences and Trainings/MCLE, Briefs, Motions, and Writs, Reunification/FM Service Providers, Experts, Publications, and Links. The main content area is titled 'Experts > Experts by Type' and features a list of expert categories: Attachment & Bonding, Bonding, DNA Testing, Evidence Code 730: Appointment of Expert, Experts / Expert Witnesses, Forensic Interviewing, Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), Interviews, Investigation, Medical, Mental Health, Paternity, Psychiatry, Psychologist, Social Worker, Substance Abuse, and Therapy. A right sidebar contains a blue box with the heading 'Important: Verify Experts' Qualifications' and text stating that users must verify qualifications and that the AOC does not endorse the listed experts. It also provides an email link for recommendations.

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# Publications – Viewing Publications

The screenshot shows the CALDOG California Dependency Online Guide website. The header includes the logo and a search bar. The main content area displays a list of publications under the heading "Publications by Title: All". Each entry includes a "Download" button, a "View" link, and a summary of the article. The first entry is "Topic(s): Parental Rights — Non-biological Parents — Presumed Parents" by Frank H. Free, dated 2005. The second entry is "Topic(s): Medical: Diagnosis of Temporary Brittle Bone Disease or Osteogenesis Imperfecta — Medical Experts — Child Physical Abuse" by Joelle Anne Moreno, dated August 2003. The third entry is "Topic(s): Foster Youth — Career Development — High School Education" by New Ways to Work, dated June, 2009. A sidebar on the left contains navigation links such as Home, California Law, Conferences and Trainings/MCLE, Briefs, Motions, and Writs, Reunification/FM Service Providers, Experts, Publications, and Links. A "Log Out" link is also visible in the top right corner.

The image at left shows how listings for individual articles or other publications look on the website.

Each listing begins with topic words, and then includes the title of the publication, description, author, date, number of pages and the source or publisher.

Each listing also contains buttons on the left to view or download the item, or a link to view the item on the internet.

# Links

The screenshot shows the website interface for the Judicial Council of California's CALDOG California Dependency Online Guide. At the top, there is a header with the logo and a search bar. Below the header is a navigation menu with options like Home, California Law, Conferences and Trainings/MCLE, Briefs, Motions, and Writs, Reunification/FM Service Providers, Experts, Publications, and Links. The main content area is titled 'Links > Links by Type' and features a list of link categories with their respective counts. A sidebar on the right contains a box titled 'About These Links' with a disclaimer.

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