

About us.

You were appointed an attorney from our agency during your shelter hearing due to your indigent status. The average attorney employed at RC1 has practiced law for over 18 years, and the average parent advocate has over 12 years of dependency experience. The legal representation team aims to provide RC1's clients with the best legal service possible.



Our Info

For information regarding your legal rights and case contact your attorney.



Parent Support Specialists Contacts



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Know your Parental Rights

Office of Regional Criminal Conflict and
Civil Regional Counsel

Parents have a fundamental right to raise their children, but it may be limited to protect a child’s safety and wellbeing.

You have the Right To...

- Visitation with your child
- Present placement options for the children
- Be appointed and represented by a lawyer who will guide you through the legal process and provide legal advice.
- Participate in Court Proceedings

You should be informed..

- Placement Decisions
- Your child’s education, you have the right to participate in your child’s education and attend school meetings.
- Medical decisions and emergencies
- You should be informed of all court hearings

Right to participate...

Except in extreme cases of abuses, the court’s obligation is to return your child to you once it is safe. The child welfare agency (Disc Village or Camelot) must help return your child. The court will want to know what the agency is doing to help you. Remember, your attorney and Parent Support Specialists (if assigned) are here to help and guide you. Reach out to them for any concerns regarding your case.

Parent Support Specialist Program

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You have a duty to stay in touch with your attorney, case manager, and if assigned, parent advocate. If your phone number or address changes you to notify everyone listed above immediately. Please check your phone and email daily to stay up to date on your case, to review documents, or return phone calls.



You also have the Right To...

- Translation and interpretation services.
- Participate in your case planning and services.
- Decision-making when it involves your child.
- Notification of decisions when they involve your child.
- Help with transportation to court and other appointments if you need it.
- Receive a copy of your case plan and discuss it with your case worker and attorney.
- Be treated with respect.
- Know if any laws or policies change that affect your case.
- Be told by phone and by letter about court hearings.

Communication

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