

The Secrecy of the Family Courts should be lifted NOW!

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– in support of street efforts in Carmarthen / Wales

Background (Preamble):

This petition was started by Jane Davies in the streets of Carmarthen and published on [Unity - Injustice](#). It is an expression of campaigning efforts by many individuals, organisations and [John Hemming](#) as the first and foremost MP.

"Lifting secrecy" implies not issuing 'injunction', 'reporting restriction' or 'gagging' orders.

By publishing this petition and [this site on behalf of Vicky Haigh](#), I hope to raise awareness online.

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PS. Please note the [rally Against Child Abuse](#) on 4 June 2011 in London!

Petition:

We, the undersigned, believe that in the best interest of the Child, and because it is impossible to defend a system from accusation of bias and discrimination if it operates behind closed doors, the secrecy of Family Courts should be lifted NOW!

Comments – with reference to the number of the signatory

This list collates comments by the first 570 signers. I added categories, links and highlighted those comments that I found particularly poignant.

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Principles of Democracy and an Open Society

53. Power corrupts, secrecy hides corruption, where is the accountability?

74. Secret court proceedings are anathema to a free society.

107. Such levels of extreme secrecy with the accompanying threat of imprisonment for anyone seeking even advice or help is not in the best interests of family or child nor has it any place in a democratic State.

120. Secret courts are a symptom of a fascist society and are repulsive to any free society.

136. This law is an insult to an open society and the citizens therein.

165. Openness is the only way forward for society.

179. It barely needs comment, so obvious is the statement, that anything judged in our courts should be open and clear to all the people Are they not the people's courts, is this not a democracy? The people are waking up to the hidden hand of corruption in our system. End secrecy now.

204. Secrecy in a democracy is tantamount to criminal behaviour. Kidnapping children from parents is child abuse and using them as cash cow for profit is a disgrace. It is state sponsored criminal activity and we need to act together to defend all vulnerable children. Let's not wait for politicians. Let's use citizens' power to challenge and expose corruption.

259. Anything that cannot stand the cold light of day - is easily perceived as - un-democratic.

370. Stop this abuse of power now!

387. United we stand to gain results that we could not imagine. All that is required of us is to keep up the positive momentum of what is right and just and demand that the establishment who allegedly represent us DO THEIR JOBS THAT WE PAY THEM TO DO.

484. This is an affront to democracy and civilised society. Why does the Government not act?

561. Secrecy hides the abuse, which is how it's designed to be. These false walls have to come down so that the disinfectant of sunlight can cleanse the filth that goes on falsely in the name of children's 'best interests'.

Critique of the Judiciary

7. Repeal this secret law that says all [G-men](#) are immune from prosecution...

10. GOD willing the GB courts can be brought into line with the wishes of the people of this once great and much respected land before much blood gets spilt to obtain our God ordained natural RIGHTS. Good on you Sabine thank you.

32. The trouble with courts is they seem to think they're a law unto themselves, when in actual fact they are responsible to us the people.

37. Your system works against the founding principles of Habeas Corpus and should therefore be

returned to an open and transparent courtroom as the integral corruption of the UK's social service generates suspicions that they are a front providing fodder for kiddie fiddling orphanages.

89. It's not just family courts that this cloak and dagger issue should be removed from.

97. We need the Truth! Not only about family courts but ALL courts. We need the truth about the Act of Parliament "Cesti que vie" Are you alive! We need the truth about Strawmen and persons against real live men and women! We demand the TRUTH!

130. There can be no justice when proceedings are swathed in secrecy, no matter what 'kind' of 'court' they may profess to be. Surely, these 'family courts' are de facto and certainly not de jure. Put simply - Corporations, endov.

135. Any Institution that operates behind closed doors, in secret and not open to scrutiny is simply carrying out abuse of power. **The Secrecy of Family Courts is Abuse of Power!**

143. Justice must be seen for justice to be done. Secret justice hides the incompetent, enables the corrupt and empowers those of nefarious intent.

160. When there are MPs willing to testify on the families' behalf but are not allowed by secret courts, then this is a clear misuse of power and using the letter of the law to defeat the spirit of the law...

222. Yes, let's have the secrecy removed from the family courts. But let's also have the collusion between solicitors, barristers and judges inherent in all of the family and civil courts stopped. When these people collude and conspire together it is always to the detriment of the ordinary people. In order to get justice in all matters we must bring back and adhere to the principles set down in the Magna Carta. The legal and judicial system that we are burdened with is not fit for purpose.

358. The people of the UK will not sit back and let this blatant abuse of power continue. Justice for Hollie Greig and all the innocents!

369. Justice must be seen to be done. Gagging the victims of miscarriage of justice only serves to destroy trust in the judicial system.

380. It's time to let compassion into the courts...

398. The Judges in my court hearings committed criminal offences. They refused my defence whilst sharing it with themselves and the other side. They breached the disability discrimination act, the HRA and more. They refused an assessment of Autism/Aspergers for my 20-year-old daughter and put her into danger.

414. Superinjunctions are in place to protect the innocent, not for people to hide behind the law after abusing the innocent.

416. Justice must be SEEN AND HEARD to be done.

Critique of Family Courts

2. The family courts are corrupted, they are a disgrace and an affront to all decent people.

16. The secret courts and all who operate in them are corrupt.

24. The secret family court system is totally corrupt and barbaric. It is rotten to the core.

36. I believe you would have a better chance of success if you asked for the gag on parents whose children have been taken to be lifted, as all citizens should have the right to protest if wronged by the State. Like rape victims, parents should have a choice as to whether they want publicity or not as some parents might want to avoid publicity and their views should be respected.

50. The current system stinks to high heaven. If we can't protect our children what have we become?

61. Rid the world of all repugnant family court secrecy laws!

85. How can parents protect their children from corrupt governments and agencies if it's behind closed doors? Have them out in the open for all eyes to see; now that's a FAIR trial?

146. It is in everybody's interest, the safety and welfare of a child. This does not need to be carried out in secrecy. Lift the Secrecy from the Family Courts.

171. Open the doors to secrecy as it is the best interests of the child and everyone else.

175. Abolish all so-called family courts and gaol the perps.

237. The working of our courts are a total disgrace. Sack the whole rotten shower and go back to Common Law and common sense. Remove expensive 'experts' the country cannot afford and put decent people in charge.

241. Justice shouldn't be served behind closed doors.

242. There is so much injustice going on behind the closed doors of the secret courts! It's shocking & inhumane! Of course there is corruption being allowed to happen due to secret courts! How can there be any True justice in these draconian secret courts!

247. Opening up the courts is the start but also the prosecution of experts and social workers etc needs to happen. The injustice goes on because there is NO ACCOUNTABILITY. If the persons writing lies and fabricating evidence knew they would face prosecution, they would not lie so readily to achieve targets and cash bonuses. There would not be malicious social workers who take a dislike to a parent for being challenging or complaining able then to use the children as a pawn to satisfy their own aim.

248. It is imperative for the wellbeing of Children and Families and also in order to protect the family ideal that the family courts should be made totally transparent and fully accountable to the laws of this country and its citizens. If the Family Courts working practices are completely legal then what have they got to worry about with total transparency? Children's identities can still be protected as

they are in Civil Court cases and have been for many years successfully.

263. I'd rather the family courts were closed down completely! But at least if they were open, then there would be a chance that the wickedness that goes on in there behind closed doors would be noticed directly!

308. It's about time, the family court has been abused by local government officials for too long. Underhanded procedures are taking place and this needs to stop. I have stood in court with families and seen the way agencies work the system for their own gain and not for the family. Unlocking the secrecy of family courts will make officials more aware and accountable to the decisions they make.

319. The perceived secrecy of the family courts does not protect children.

320. If these courts have nothing to hide, there is no need for covert proceedings. Truth will emerge in the end and only the guilty have need to fear that.

338. Any secret court is akin to a totalitarian, Orwellian regime. And rife with corruption.

340. It's a disgrace how these so called courts try and make out that they are doing us a favour by keeping 'their' underhanded tactics away from the general populous! They are the majority of the problem, consigning children and their families to the most horrific of abuses!

344. Honesty, truth and real justice require no secrecy. Family courts are a complete farce and work to reverse what they claim to stand for and allow some to pervert true justice for their own benefit. We the public have grown beyond weary with the empty promises and claims and false law.

351. If these Child cases are held in Camera, I can only assume ALL the civil servants have something to hide and do not want flimsy evidence to be held up to scrutiny. From what I have seen over the decades, I do not believe most of those involved have read The Children's Act or those that have understand it and if they do are clearly ignoring its main statement, mainly directed at Judges, not to do anything unless it can be proven to be better than what exists: the Child's welfare is PARAMOUNT!

352. Closed court is hiding behind the colour of law to fraud and steal children with their lies! They all have it mapped out before going to court and you never get proper representation! And everyone is delusional diagnosed by unlicensed court appt. therapist. The children are drugged w/ blackbox drugs always! Also by just a regular doctor which is illegal! It is RICO!

439. Lift the secrecy of family courts now. Many things can wait, a child cannot.

Criticising Social Services

266. <http://britishss.blogspot.com/> Stolen from loving family Gestapo Social Services.

362. We are in the 21st century now, not Victorian times. The secrecy in family courts can cover up bad social services practices, which is all too common these days.

371. How much longer will morally derelict social workers take out revenge on society for their own sorry lives by persecuting loving parents.

Stop Hiding!

12. I abhor this system of secrecy. What have you got to hide? Come out from the shadows, stop hiding behind the system.

39. I believe if something is done behind closed doors it is because there is something to hide. I do not think that it benefits the children if it is behind closed doors, I feel it is immoral.

84. Stop this evil system now, yes you read correctly.

98. Freedom of information for all sides is the only way the truth can be determined.

111. Truth has nothing to fear.

116. It's time to lift the veil. Ultimately the truth will surface one day and when it does, there will be hell to pay for the kidnap and abuse of our children.

154. There is no place for secrecy where human rights are concerned - especially children.

173. Children's interests are best served in openness....not secrecy lift the ban now!

225. Secrecy in family courts is sickening.

229. Why of why do these courts have to be away from the public? We have come a long way from the time when we touched our forelocks or curtsied to the "upper classes" who were supposed to know better than the rest. Come into the 21st century and let people know what is going on.

231. Secrecy does not help a child, only bad parents or judgement.

255. When these courts operate in the interests of the children, they will have no need for secrecy.

300. Where there is secrecy there is no justice!!

304. Super Injunctions are just the icing on the cake for the judiciary. Most normal people unconnected with the Family Courts have no idea what is going on behind their closed doors, whilst burning up huge amounts of their taxes. Most of the industry which includes CAFCASS is rotten to the core and will do anything to protect their corrupt and unjust practices from the eyes of the general public. What they get up to behind those closed doors is nothing short of **State sponsored child abuse!**

306. The secrecy of the family courts only serves to hide its child abuse, the public must know what goes on inside its walls to ensure scrutiny leading to the actual best interests of children being paramount. A situation far from a reality today despite false claims to the contrary. Children first.

307. 75,000 people named Ryan Giggs on Twitter. Secrecy does not carry the will of the people.

333. Secrecy encourages corruption. The darkness it harbours allows for evil deeds to be done and without accountability.

334. Let us follow the US example!

341. Secrecy only means one thing. To hide from view. And can only be used to achieve one aim, to obfuscate the truth. The truth should have nothing to fear and therefore has no reason to hide! End all Secrecy including, state government, intelligence, military, religious the lot of it!

345. Truth requires no blanket of secrecy.

367. Secrecy is the enemy of Justice.

532. I believe that no injunctions should be issued and only in cases of national security.

On Paedophilia

264. It seems that paedophile rings extend into the judiciary, the police and to state child 'care' officials. The secrecy of the family courts enables them to seize the children they desire.

322. The original Lisbon treaty said that no one should be discriminated against because of their sexuality. This did not include paedophiles. The revised treaty, which Gordon Brown signed and said that the public wouldn't understand, had the same law, but this time paedophiles were also granted the same rights to non discrimination as homosexuals etc...

388. Paedophilia in the judiciary, the police and government must be stopped.

On Freemasonry

329. Having known Vicky for many years and seen Romany grow up with her mother until she was stolen from her, I'm shocked and horrified by events. The whole sordid affair stinks of FREEMASON involvement at every level. Sadly what many people do not realise is the extent that our police and judiciary are being manipulated by these dangerous scum. This whole case is related to freemasonry and the corruption it preaches.

On Satanism

102. Put an end to the dark works of [satanism](#) in our justice system & hold the judges & mps accountable for their [satanist](#) works.

127. I would not like my kids snatched in the dead of night by a gang of cops and robbers without any just cause; then lied about in court about it, then lose my beloved children. This [satanic](#) system must be quickly ended before anarchy starts.

Trafficking Children for Money

9. The rogue elements in the judiciary, the legal system, the police and the social services, along with certain politicians, who carry out these state kidnappings for profit of children from loving families are now starting to be exposed, along with the establishment paedophile rings that are being

protected by these rogue elements in some cases (Hollie Greig scandal). Common Law must once more reign supreme - let the juries decide in future - not corrupt judges!

13. If there was not a problem in the UK with children taken by social services/CAFCASS, then WHY are there so many organisations to stop the abduction of children? We are in our thousands. It is thousands of children who need protection, because the laws are not protecting kids. The law has allowed foster and adoption agencies to set up as a business. So without the stolen kids, there are no businesses. £20.000 per child sold to foster care, £36.000 per child sold for adoption.

44. The family court is just legalised child trafficking.

88. You may notice -not many signatures from Aberdeen area - one key centre for covering up **kiddy fiddling**, especially when it is done blatantly within our well (monied) protected law fraternity; and extending well into Westminster (could it also include 5% of our judges?)? There you have it.....

118. We, the people, demand an equal and just society, based upon equal and just laws and legal processes. In order to achieve this we MUST have transparency in all judicial and corporate matters. We must instate processes where no corruption, misrepresentation, or misinterpretation of facts can occur. The law must be changed to stop all secret processes and full accountability must be shown. Stop the unlawful kidnapping of children and the conspiracy to miscarry justice in this way.

151. It is time to end the system where money is made from the Welfare of Children. This is nothing less than White Slavery!

161. No child is safe in this corner of Wales where this petition started. Child / baby snatching by the state is pandemic. The HM Partnership that reign supreme within this multi £m industry is out of control. The bleeding of the public purse surpasses the welfare of the commodity. Commodity being the innocent child.

172. Stop kidnapping our children for adoption targets. Social workers are trained liars with no hearts or souls. They abuse the babies using the police to rip them from mother's breast. They chase you across the country, then you end up with charges of abducting your own family. They then use this against you. They get top notch barristers who ask you questions in a form you don't even understand the question, while the Judge demands you answer. The guardian repeats: well the babies are very adoptable...

271. Without it, it breeds MASS CORRUPTION where they think that they can do as they please and wreck lives to suit their own agendas. The Adoption Market, and its conveyor belt of ripe pickings. Namely OUR OFFSPRING. If it wasn't geared at being secret, because it likes to hide what is REALLY going on, then there would not be an issue. It isn't to protect the minors, as they are already known by their communities. But to protect those who work in it , and more importantly FOR IT.

288. Family courts, Social Services stealing our children & if a person does not conform they are categorized as having some syndrome or other that the psychologist authorises and all this without having the child at home since birth.

295. Stop this legal kidnapping, now!

On behalf of Victims

1. Why didn't it occur to me to start this petition as soon as I was alerted to these dreadful child snatching cases? Let's hope LOTS of signatures WILL make a difference SOON! Every day passing is a day of irreparable TRAUMA for children and completely unnecessary for parents!

11. My family has been caught up in a case with our children Joshua and Jessica and it's time the truth came out about the system.

40. Google or YouTube [HOLLIE GREIG](#).

69. My own children were entered into a High Court totally without my knowledge - and I would sincerely appreciate your help.

109. Having personally experienced these [satanic](#) orientated malpractices within our court systems to my utter dismay! Therefore, I ask what percentage of judges, senior politicians, lawyers, and public authorities are deeply involved in these kiddy fiddling circles?? When these facts are exposed by the ordinary people of this once great country, then only then will true justice prevail!?

141. The [Charter for Grandchildren](#) is a family friendly charter. It does not supersede the rights of parents in any way. The intention is the authorities must look more closely at the role grandparents can play in a child's life rather than they be put into care or force adopted. This destroys a child's self esteem and renders them bitter, resentful, and unmanageable and the majority of kids in care end up as non-achievers and join gangs for that family feeling they have been forced from their family.

155. This tyranny has to stop! I can point you to a mother whose children are in danger, but the police and Social Services don't want to know...why is that? There is something fundamentally EVIL about this current process and let's be honest evil masquerades in the shadows and darkness of CLOSED COURTS. Open them up and let them be subject to the scrutiny of God given light.

162. About time all the unmarried mothers from 60s and seventies sued, they had their babies taken because they were too naive and scared to buck the system and then had to live with what they had done. It takes years to recover, within hours they were out of the doors of the mother and baby home.

178. Hey teacher, leave those kids alone! No secrecy anymore.

180. How long can you go on protecting paedophiles? When are we going to see the [Hollie Greig](#) case investigated?? The world is watching now.

191. Stop the dehumanized esoteric agenda that is designed to psychologically and emotionally abusing, deprive and debilitate our children whilst undermining our nation.

194. Children belong with their parents not with the courts. If there is a problem the situation should be judged by peers, people who know them and have gone to school with them. Their friends, those are peers not the strangers on the street.

209. If children were the same shape as footballs we'd respect them more!

210. Above the entrance of the Old Bailey, inscribed in stone, are the words:- 'Defend our Children

and Punish the Wrongdoer.' Who's kidding who?

265. People of the world the time has come to unite and protect the innocent no matter from which end of the world we live we are one, we have been forever, so brothers and sisters, I stand here with you and my voice is loud as ever. Greetings from Slovenia!

280. There should be no secrecy around the well being of any child.

336. STOP THE CORRUPTION!! GOOGLE HOLLIE GREIG!! SEE THE ATROCITIES UNDERTAKEN AGAINST THE MUSA FAMILY!!

342. It is time to realize that PAS is a disease and a parent who participates in this action is emotionally abusing the child(ren). These children suffer emotionally without contact with their alienated parent, grandparents, relatives and friends who they loved and entrusted their feelings with. They are living in a hell while breathing on earth.

379. I am a victim of the secrecy and corruption of the UK family court system. I and my child have suffered appalling injustices. I have been gagged twice for threatening to speak out! I have also been falsely arrested and handcuffed for NOTHING, just because my 13 Y.O. child wanted to come home to me after an ABDUCTION. I am a healthy loving mother. I always gave very generous contact to the father, yet my child was abducted and the family courts did NOTHING except reward the father! (High Court)

384. I know what it's like to have my childcare skills questioned by some sanctimonious bitch in social services and that's why I support these entirely sane and rational women and their struggle to get stories about their bastard ex-husbands into the papers.

Self-Confessed Victims

252. Having been involved in the system since 2002 I fully agree that the Secrecy of the Family Courts should be lifted.

286. I went to court three times in 2007 to the high court in LONDON to the Family court and my rights were violated! THINGS NEED TO BE CHANGED ! Corinne GOUGET

405. Stop stealing children! Give me back my family! I was only 10 when the state and lying social workers took my darling niece and nephew. I have cried and cried since I miss them so much. I know the SS lied but the Judge said I was too young to give evidence. I WILL NEVER FORGET THEM.

476. I am a victim of the family court and flawed action by my solicitor put me in contempt of court.

In Support of the Petition

35. This is just the beginning of people speaking out!

57. Hope this works!

72. I believe that so called "family courts" should not exist.

114. I am signing this petition to help end the secrecy of the family courts, so that knowledge of the

horrific stealing of and abuse of children can be made available to everyone. It has to end. Soon.

185. This petition deserves the fullest backing & support from everyone as the Family courts are doing irreparable harm by using secrecy, where open disclosure is even more necessary than in any other court! The innocent suffer as a result of an insidious Agenda disguised as "care", being served to line the pockets of wolves in sheep's clothing & a monumental number of 'miscarriages of justice' where vulnerable children are ripped away in cold blood from loving parents who may have hit on hard times.

257. We, the undersigned, believe that in the best interest of the Child, and because it is impossible to defend a system from accusation of bias and discrimination if it operates behind closed doors, the secrecy of Family Courts should be lifted NOW.

267. Best of luck, secrets are the last thing that stand between us and forgiveness and acceptance of one another on this earth. Judgements are the second.

274. It's High Time that the children across the world are no longer deceived and manipulated by those who are supposedly protecting them, whilst innocent families look on in horror, completely powerless to intervene on any level, as more "VICTIMS Families" are being destroyed by those who have one agenda to fulfil and that's their own sick and twisted one, which is protected by this mask they call "The Secrecy of the Family Courts". Enough is enough. THIS MUST CHANGE. You have my Full Support!

297. This is real!!!

315. It's a huge pity that Northern Ireland isn't part of this petition. Nevertheless, as we follow closely what is happening in England and Wales I support this petition wholeheartedly.

356. I support this specific petition in the interests of transparency and Open Justice for families and affected. I wish the campaign all the best. David Whelan

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455. Name and shame!

457. This injustice needs to be rectified now.

475. I agree with this. This should be lifted. I myself am experiencing currently injustice of a system I once believed in.

In Support of Vicky Haigh

393. An inspirational Mom! Keep fighting hun! Your little girl needs you, too. And to SS YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED.

404. I have seen enough to know this is cruel and wrong.

449. How frightening that a council should bully an individual in such a way and not give reason. It is accusation without any form of substantiation. It is evil.

517. How I feel about this case is unprintable!!!!!!

535. Vicky Haigh.....Truly shocking case - despicable man, despicable brother, despicable and inept council.

554. Far from protecting the Child, these secret courts are covering-up serious crimes that these secret Kangaroo Courts are committing against Children, Mothers, Fathers and Grandparents.

These secret courts are trading in children and breaching EU Community law. Therefore, if you have the misfortune of coming before them like Vicky Haigh; request the court to transfer your case to the European Court of Justice for a ruling, as they are breaching Union laws.

Where is Viviane Reding of the EC?

555. Vicky, I read some of your letters to your daughter with an aching heart. Hang in there; you are a strong woman doing an amazing job exposing this thoroughly corrupt, evil system. I too have a b..... ex who is protected by corrupt Authorities [see <http://www.sharonkilby.co.uk>] I repeatedly told my persecutors that the beast they are protecting will one day bite them... Message to all the people with the power to help Vicky and her child reunite: grow a backbone and do the right thing.

Spiritual Support

403. "Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness." (Isaiah 59:9)

"Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops."