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Box 44086  
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The Hon. Michael D. Harris, Premier of Ontario  
Ontario Legislature  
Queen's Park, Ontario  
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Dear Premier Harris:

Attached, please find a copy of my judicial complaint against Justice Karswick of the Brampton family court. This complaint was made after I experienced, first hand, the gross violation of the rights and freedoms of both my daughter and myself to have a meaningful relationship with each other as father and daughter. What I experienced in court, I found frightening and grossly unjust and a violation of any reasonable standards of morals or ethics as well as a violation of my constitutional rights as a citizen of this Province. What has gone so grossly wrong with our laws and our justice system in this province as to permit judges, at will, to destroy a child's relationship with one of the parents for no just reason and allow the remaining parent to abuse the child?

Justice in a free and democratic society is a fragile thing that must be seen in a court of law, not just written in words on paper. It seems that this basic principle is being ignored by many of our judges, to the point where justice in our family courts has become a joke and disgrace for all fair minded people of the Province of Ontario. I believe that protection of basic human rights is something that extends beyond the boundaries of any particular constituency and that each and every elected representative in the Province of Ontario must fully inform themselves as to what is happening in our family courts and to take positive steps that will put an end to the injustices being perpetrated upon children and families by our courts. It seems that our family justice system is out of control and unaccountable to not only the people of Ontario, but to people right across Canada. The harm being caused to children and families in this province as a result of the adversarial family court process has huge economic impact on this province, which ultimately leads to a lower standard of living for all the people of the Province of Ontario.

I would greatly appreciate your personal feedback on this most important issue which is adversely affecting many children and families in every corner of this province.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the initials 'MM' with a stylized flourish.

Mike Milne

cc: Various government representatives and agencies