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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON
FOR THURSTON COUNTY
FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURT

Kirsten Harris

Plaintiff/Petitioner,

vs.

Dawn Riley

Defendant/Respondent.

NO. 02-3-004360

TITLE OF DOCUMENT:

*Final Statement - Starcis Student
Of The Month Award*

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To Whom It May Concern,

The following is in regard to the Starcia Ague Non-Parental custody case.

Since bringing Starcia into my home in February, Starcia continues to shine. She has made "Student of the Month" at BHHS, is a "Greeter" for U-Turn, a Christian Group that travels to High Schools in our area, has fought to keep her grades up despite the days she's missed as a result of being in Protective Custody and the classes she's missed to attend court proceedings, is enrolled and waiting to attend Sylvan Learning Center to assist her with her two areas of study that are difficult for her (Math and Spelling), and is joining her high school dance team. She is the example of a perfect kid, and I cannot express how great she been in our home – she is a true joy and a great influence on the kids I have already, and she is a compliment to my family.

She is also working with Olympia Police Detective Steve Gallagher in regard to the sexual assault that she is the victim of that occurred to her while in her mother's care, Case no. CN 02-4123, and we have been assured that an arrest is imminent and that the case will also probably be re-opened in regard to the unsolved burglaries that her mother Dawna and the accused rapist Curtis Soard, friend and associate of Dawna's, were involved in at the time and since Starcia was enlisted as an accomplice, actually entering these homes at her mother's request, criminal "enhancements" may apply.

Dawna, on the other hand, has continued to make poor choices and my feelings toward her future and the future of the children in her home is grim.

Dawna began by the hours following our last court date, attempting to persuade her nephew (and Starcia's cousin) to come to my house and lure Starcia outside (Please see attached) thereby breaking the restraining order. Tumwater Police have been notified, case # C-6904, and this is scheduled for a pre-trial hearing June 6 at 9:30 am.

Dawna has allowed, and then subsequently had to evict, persons living in her home, against the landlord tenant agreement that I created for her and her landlord, and has also broken the verbal agreement we had in regard to the type of people that she is letting into her life and home, around her children, etc. She is hanging out with and around known convicted thieves and methamphetamine users, and allowing her on again, off-again, meth user boyfriend Steve Way to live with her on the weekends, and her behavior has been so bizarre it has elicited concerned phone calls from neighbors to her last support person Christine Alford – Christine attempted to contact Dawna in regard to these calls she was receiving but Dawna refused to come to the phone, preferring instead to let the woman living in her home at the time swear at and threaten Christine with arrest if she was to continue to "harass" Dawna.

Dawna also called me on Mother's Day, began to accuse me of paying cash for all the statements written against her, and then started screaming that I was harassing her and was no longer allowed to call her home according to her landlord Tom Budsberg. Subsequently, Christine Alford and I both spoke to her landlord Tom who claimed he said no such thing, and was very concerned with what was going on his home. His chief concerns were that Dawna was allowing

people in his home that were not paying him rent, and the fact that she was allowing people of questionable caliber to "hang out" in his home while he was at work. He simply wanted Dawna to continue paying her rent on time per our original agreement, with as little drama as possible. He also denied Dawna's earlier claim that Starcia could come and live in his house, he stated to me that he had *tentatively* agreed to weekends maybe, but there was no discussion regarding Starcia moving in, and such a thing would not be possible without raising Dawna's rent. I advised Tom that we had all agreed to certain things at the time of Dawna's move in, and that Tom allowing her to move people in was a breach of our verbal agreement, and that I would not be held financially responsible for her or her guests under these new circumstances. It is my understanding that since then Tom has enforced some of his rules, and the woman who was living there and fielding Dawna's phone calls has been evicted from the property.

The last thing that I want to express is a request really – It has come to my attention that Dawna has been awarded, or is on the verge of being awarded a personal injury claim in the amount of \$10,000.00. After attorney fees and doctor bills, this will likely be reduced to \$6,000.00. I would like the court to rule that any fees incurred by Barbara Timmer, all related court costs, or fees incurred by any other agency that is working on this case be financially reimbursed by Dawna. Her attorney is Steven P. Weinberg and Associates, at 1235 4th Avenue East, Olympia 98506. I would like to see a hold or lien put on this money, and for it to be disbursed accordingly. I also feel that if she has used Starcia's credit adversely, (and illegally), she should have to pay to rectify her Starcia's credit rating. Barbara Timmer was looking into this.

I also feel that Starcia would benefit from psychological testing, as would Dawna, and I think that Dawna should assume the cost.

I still want to give Starcia the best life possible, to devote my life to her, and I am still willing to work toward re-unification if that is possible. At this point however, I feel that it is in Starcia's best interest to stay with us so that her and her needs can be number one, to help her attain the level of success that she is entitled to.

I swear under penalty of perjury the above is true and correct.

Kirsten M. Harris

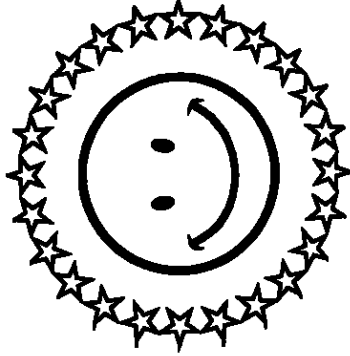
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STUDENT OF THE MONTH APRIL 2002

Starcia Ague

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