

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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SHARWLINE NICHOLSON, individually and  
on behalf of her infant children, DENTINE 00-CV-2229  
BARNETT and KENDALL COLES, infants, (Weinstein, J.)  
and on behalf of all other similarly situated, (Pollak, M.J.)

Plaintiffs

-against-

NAT WILLIAMS, et al.

Defendants.

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EKAETA UDOH, individually and on behalf of  
her infant children, EDU UDOH, IMA UDOH,  
NSIKAK UDOH, and ASUNO UDOH, CV-00-5155  
(Weinstein, J.)  
(Pollak, M.J.)

Plaintiffs

-against-

NICHOLAS SCOPPETTA, et. al.

Defendants.

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SHARLENE TILLET, individually and on behalf of  
infant WINSON DENTON and UGANDA GRAY, 00-CV-6885  
(Weinstein, J.)  
Plaintiffs, (Pollak, M.J.)

-against-

NICHOLAS SCOPPETTA, et al.

Defendants.

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JACK B. WEINSTEIN, Senior District Judge:

Plaintiffs charge that the Administration for Child Services and others have inappropriately

removed children from their homes on the basis of reports of domestic violence without adequate pre- or post-removal investigation and adjudication of rights, when the children were not in danger of harm. They allege that this practice violates their fundamental right to the integrity of the parent-child relationship free of governmental interference, as protected under the Fourteenth Amendment. They request injunctive relief.

Since serious charges are made of present and continuing deprivation of constitutional rights to custody of children, the parties shall be prepared for an immediate trial whether or not the court certifies the class. The case should be completed by the end of July, 2001.

If subclasses are to be denominated, the parties shall promptly (within ten days of this order) nominate lawyers willing, able and ready to represent the respective subclasses. The parties shall provide the court with curriculum vitae of such lawyers.

3) The clerk of the court shall post this order and arrange for its prompt advertisement in the New York Law Journal.

SO ORDERED

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Jack B. Weinstein  
Senior District Judge

Dated: June 14, 2001  
Brooklyn, N.Y.