

REGISTRATION FORM

Yes, I am interested in joining ICAAN. I understand that I may be contacted should a Hague Convention case arise in my area.

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LICENSED IN (NAME OF STATES)

Hague Experience: YES or NO

(CIRCLE ONE)

Malpractice Insurance: YES or NO

(CIRCLE ONE)

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International Child Abduction Attorney Network

NATIONAL
CENTER FOR
**MISSING &
EXPLOITED**
CHILDREN



JOHANN, A 5-YEAR-OLD BOY, HAS NOT SEEN his mother, Else, or his home for the past 8 months.

During divorce proceedings, Johann's father decided to take the law into his own hands. He abducted his son from Norway, the only home Johann knew, and brought him to the United States (U.S.). Two weeks later Else received a telephone call telling her Johann was not coming back. Terrified that she would never see her son again, Else filed a Hague application, which was forwarded to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC). A pro-bono attorney is desperately needed to send Johann home.

Johann and his mother need you.

You Can Help.

THE HAGUE CONVENTION

ON JULY 1, 1988, THE U.S. ADOPTED THE (1980) Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction (Hague Convention). Under a 1995 agreement between the U.S. Department of State, which acts as the U.S. Central Authority for the treaty, and U.S. Department of Justice, NCMEC handles all Hague Convention applications when children from other countries are abducted and believed to be in the U.S.

ICAAN PROJECT

IN A NATIONWIDE EFFORT TO ASSIST PARENTS, NCMEC is seeking attorneys who are willing to represent left-behind parents of children from other countries who have been wrongfully removed or retained in the U.S. The Hague Convention provides an excellent opportunity to gain international, family-law experience. The only requirement is a commitment to handle at least one case on a pro-bono basis. The majority of ICAAN attorneys specialize in family or international law; however, NCMEC can provide ICAAN members

with reference materials and issue briefs to help attorneys without prior Hague Convention experience.

Please note that once an attorney agrees to take a case, NCMEC provides

- A HAGUE CONVENTION APPLICATION THAT IS COMPLETE WITH TRANSLATIONS, COURT ORDERS, AND RELEVANT LEGAL DOCUMENTS
- INFORMATION ON THE POSSIBLE LOCATION OF THE CHILD AND RESPONDENT PARENT
- PROOF OF APPLICANT'S LOW-INCOME STATUS
- HELPFUL ARTICLES AND MODEL LEGAL FORMS RELATING TO THE HAGUE CONVENTION
- LEGAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

WE WOULD VALUE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO *accept a pro-bono case. If you are interested in joining ICAAN, please complete and return the form found on the other side of this panel or contact the International Division at 1-800-843-5678, or icaan@ncmec.org.*