

Best Interest of the Child

In Illinois, custody determinations are made by the court based on the "best interest of the child standard." The old days of the "tender years doctrine" (when courts presumed children would best be served by an award of custody to the mother) are long gone. In these days of two-income households, working moms, involved fathers, day care, etc., fathers and mothers stand on equal footing. Certainly, some judges still look at cases from an old school perspective and tend to favor mothers. On the other hand, other judges have been known to show a bias in favor of fathers. If your case is heading toward a custody contest, be sure to work with an attorney who is familiar with all aspects of Illinois custody law as well as the personal tendencies of the judge that will be handling your case. Call our attorneys to discuss the facts of your case and how they may be viewed by your judge and how best to posture your case for success.

This article was written by the law office of Cowell Taradash, P.C., whose attorneys are familiar with the latest court decisions, recent changes in the law and even the tendencies of many judges. We can help. Contact us at 866.987.6723 or info@illinoisdivorce.com.