



Lawful removal of the child

Avoid becoming an "abducting" parent by knowing how to move across borders with your children in a lawful way



Experience shows that in many cases, the wrongful removal or failure to return (retention of) a child results from lack of knowledge on the part of the so-called abducting parent. Usually parents do not know the conditions in which they can move across borders with their children or the steps they should take when travelling abroad with their child in a lawful way.

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