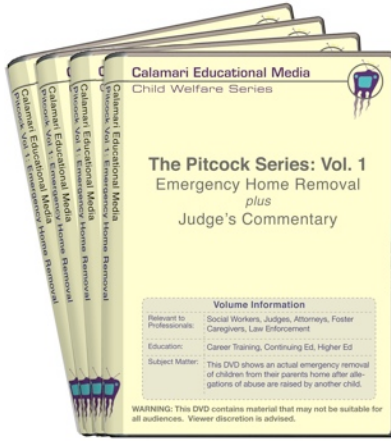


# Calamari Educational Media Child Welfare Collection



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## The Pitcock Series (4-DVD Set)

On an evening in March 2000, we followed Child Protective Services on a response call to an investigation of alleged physical abuse. Originally aired in an abbreviated form on national television, the documentary case study constitutes our premiere offering of Calamari Educational Media. This series follows the Pitcock family from the night their children were removed from the home through the story's epilogue two years later.

**The series includes: DVD #1 The Home Removal, DVD #2: The Initial Pitcock Hearing & Emergency Foster Care Visitation, DVD #3 Grandparent Caregivers and Follow-Up Hearing, DVD #4: Pitcock Counseling and Resolution**

*"The documentary projects by Calamari Productions have helped open my eyes to the personal stories and experiences of the children who enter my courtroom. These projects are invaluable in illuminating the myriad issues facing children and families who enter the juvenile justice and child welfare system, and offer great professional insight for me as a judge when determining what's in a child's best interest."*

**Hon. Mary Beth Bonaventura**  
Chief Judge, Lake Superior Court Juvenile Division

## The Vanessa Bell Story

Little Asia Bell was a cocaine positive infant. Until Vanessa can carry out the treatment programs prescribed by the courts, the child is put in the care of her grandmother. This DVD examines the role courts play in her rehabilitation and demonstrates the work of the social worker assigned to her case.

## The Chelsea Felton Story

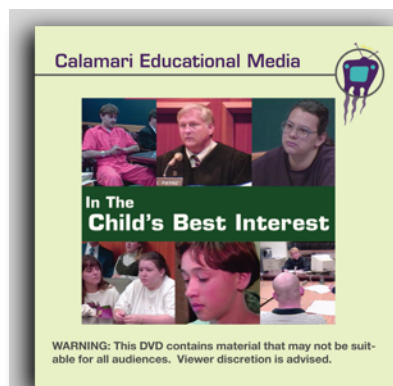
Since she was a toddler, Chelsea has displayed severe behavioral problems that have left her mother unable to care for her. Dramatic mood swings, violent outbursts, and false calls to emergency 911 operators claiming her mother is dead all led Linda to finally give her child away to the custody of the state.

This DVD covers Chelsea's story from its beginning when her mother makes the wrenching decision to turn her daughter over to the state, her placement at a residential treatment facility, and the follow-up seven years later. Included are interviews with Chelsea and her mother, the family's social worker, placement facility staff, and others.

## Social Work Home Visitation: Melissa Evans

When 15-year old Melissa Evans gives birth to a baby girl who is born with cerebral palsy, she has nowhere to turn for help. After leaving the hospital without her newborn, Ravon, the baby becomes a ward of the state. Due to her medical condition, Ravon is placed in the home of a Special Needs Foster parent.

This DVD contains a home visit by Melissa's social worker and we see how she handles both cases, that of Melissa and of her baby. Included is the social worker's oversight of Melissa administering medication to her infant daughter.



## In The Child's Best interest

Winner of the national Edward R. Murrow Award and Emmy Awards, this documentary includes extraordinary footage of actual juvenile court proceedings involving sexual abuse, interviews with the kids and families affected, as well as with the juvenile judges and service professionals charged with helping at-risk kids and families.

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# What The Experts Have to Say About Us

## testimonials & endorsements

**Hon. Randall T. Shepard**  
**Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court**

“(Calamari’s work is) a first-rate example of in-depth television news reporting. Calamari Productions successfully balanced the privacy concerns of the participants with the desire to present an accurate portrayal of life in Indiana’s juvenile courtrooms. The result was a compelling and thoughtful production. As a result of the meticulous attention to court guidelines the five members of our Court granted Calamari Productions further permission to continue filming in the juvenile courtrooms, even though all of Indiana’s trial courts are generally closed to cameras.”

**Hon. Evan Bayh,**  
**United States Senator**

This unprecedented project will serve not only to educate the public on the procedures of the juvenile justice system, but also to illustrate the human side of the courts through the eyes of children. It is my hope that through projects such as [Calamari Productions], we can raise public awareness of the problems facing our youth and work together to solve them. I am happy to lend my support to this worthwhile documentary.

**James Payne**  
**Director, Division of Child Services**  
**Indiana Family & Social Services Agency**  
**Former Chief Judge, Marion Superior Court**  
**Indianapolis, Indiana**

“Calamari Productions has gone a long way to de-mystify the inner workings of a Juvenile Courtroom and to open the general public’s eyes about the numerous challenges faced by the countless professionals involved within the Juvenile Court system. Calamari took on the Herculean task of producing television programming which depicted with vision and clarity the inside workings of three Indiana juvenile Courts. The breadth and depth of [Calamari’s] effort is almost impossible to describe.”

**David Remondini**  
**Counsel to the Chief Justice**

“(Calamari) lifted the veil so the world could view what goes on in the otherwise tightly secured proceedings. The payback for the courts is the camera catches teachable moments. The justices felt in depth documentaries would educate a large number of people and ideally bring resources to bear on some of these problems.”

Over the years Calamari’s contribution to education and training has been celebrated and endorsed by The National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges, The American Bar Association, The Indiana Dept of Correction and Dept of Child Services, Prevent Child Abuse America and many others.

### OUR GUARANTEE

If our material does not improve your curriculum, help better engage your incoming professionals, or perform according the value that we claim, we will refund your money in full.

## OUR WORK IN ACTION

*“Calamari Production’s unique collection of videos are an educators dream. In an arena that is too often out of the public eye, misunderstood and misperceived, there are few opportunities to give students and young professionals a window into juvenile justice and child welfare court practices and proceedings. Calamari’s work has not only opened our juvenile courthouse doors in a way that can serve as an invaluable teaching tool, but they have done so with balance, insights and a depth of coverage second to none.*

*I have had the privilege of using the Lake County Juvenile Justice DVDs in teaching and Bar programs. They are not only well received, but generate a nuanced dialogue that is invaluable as all parts of our community struggle to understand and improve practices in our juvenile justice system.”*

**Miriam Aroni Krinski** is a lecturer at the UCLA School of Public Policy and adjunct professor at Loyola Law School. She sits on the ABA Youth at Risk Commission, the California Blue Ribbon Commission on Foster Care and the California Judicial Council.

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