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Dear Ms Jackson

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 16 June 2015. You made the following requests for information:

Please confirm if Cafcass recognises Parental Alienation and implacable Hostility as Child Abuse

Please see below for our response.

Freedom of Information responses can only disclose information which is already recorded, and therefore they do not give new opinions or views in response to queries.

For relevant information which is already recorded, please see Section 4.19 of the Operating Framework which sets out the position of Cafcass in relation to cases involving excessive negative stereotyping and/or implacable hostility by an ex-partner and the consequential 'alienation' of a child from one parent.

We hope that you feel your question has been answered effectively. If you are unhappy with the decisions made in relation to your request, you may ask for an internal review to be undertaken. If you are dissatisfied with the way the internal review is handled or with the final decision made at that review about the information released, you are free to contact the Information Commissioner's office (www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk):

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Yours sincerely,

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