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I founded the Law and Children column of the *New York Law Journal*, the daily newspaper of the New York legal community, to heighten awareness of children's issues. The column has appeared regularly since 1996. To date, I have written approximately eighty (80) columns.

The column highlights new legal developments and discusses public policy issues relating to children including: child abuse, domestic violence, child custody, mediation, foster care, PINS, juvenile justice, and any other matter relating to children. The column also periodically highlights projects and important events for the child advocacy community.

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