

District Attorney Summer Stephan
San Diego County District Attorney's Office
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San Diego, CA 92101

Re: Renewed Request for Criminal and Public-Corruption Investigation — Malaika and Xayah Robinson

Dear District Attorney Stephan:

I have written your office twice concerning the serious circumstances surrounding Malaika and Xayah Robinson, their mother Evelyn Lopez, and the conduct of San Diego County Child Welfare Services and others involved in this case. Your office responded twice requesting additional evidence. I appreciate that your office responded, but I need to be direct: I am a grandfather and a private citizen. I am not a trained investigator, prosecutor, evidence technician, secretary, or professional case organizer. I have spent nearly two years trying to understand what was happening to my family, preserving the evidence available to me, and repeatedly seeking help from government officials and law-enforcement agencies.

My access to the underlying County records has been limited. I have obtained some reports and materials through my son, but I do not have complete access to social-worker notes, addendum reports, internal communications, or the full case record. What I do have includes recordings that capture how our family, and particularly Evelyn Lopez, was treated behind closed doors. Those recordings document intense pressure, coercive conduct, contradictions, and interactions that deserve serious scrutiny by an experienced investigator.

What I am asking for now is straightforward: assign an investigator and arrange a formal evidence review. Go through this evidence chronologically. Compare the addendum reports, social-worker notes, hearing transcripts, restraining-order proceedings, visitation history, public-speech timeline, medical records, photographs, videos, sworn statements, texts, court records, and the recordings we have preserved. Look at what was being said about Evelyn before our family began publicly exposing misconduct, and then look at what happened afterward. A trained investigator should be able to determine whether the written record matches what actually occurred.

Your office asked me for evidence. The evidence exists. The problem is that I do not possess the authority to obtain the complete government record or compel the people involved to answer questions. Your investigators do.

The chronology begins well before termination of parental rights. In 2024, Evelyn had been told she could go to Mexico to be with family if she located them, but she instead went to Missouri. Social worker Ashlee Purnell then pursued law-enforcement involvement and a warrant. Evelyn

was told that U.S. Marshals, Border Patrol, and other law-enforcement authorities were looking for her. She ultimately returned to California, surrendered, was jailed for approximately five days while breastfeeding, and missed Xayah's first birthday. The matter was treated as a misdemeanor and ultimately did not result in sustained criminal charges. That entire episode should be examined, including the warrant application, supporting declarations, communications between Child Welfare Services and the District Attorney's Office, and the representations made to Evelyn concerning federal law enforcement.

Norma Olivares's involvement during that same period also requires careful investigation. Norma traveled to Missouri more than once, took photographs, and began familiarizing herself with Evelyn and the children. During the second trip, Norma pressured Evelyn to return to California, telling her in substance to come back and get this over with so she would not be arrested by federal agents or other law enforcement. After Evelyn returned to California, Norma had her wait approximately two weeks so the children could become familiar with her before Evelyn surrendered. An investigator should determine when Norma learned of the child-welfare matter, what communications she had with Evelyn and Child Welfare Services, what representations she made concerning law enforcement, and how her role expanded.

There is another fact that cannot be overlooked: before these proceedings, I had never met Norma Olivares. Yet extraordinarily damaging statements concerning me later entered reports and proceedings, including accusations involving rape, sexual abuse, stalking or following, and other conduct that I categorically deny. Evelyn Lopez has denied making critical statements attributed to her. An investigator should trace every such accusation back to its original source, determine who repeated it, whether anyone verified it, what evidence supported it, and how those statements affected placement, visitation, restraining orders, and the treatment of our family.

The later chronology is equally disturbing. Evelyn participated in services, therapy, visitation, and reunification efforts. She progressed to unsupervised visitation. Social workers praised her relationship with her daughters and made extraordinarily positive statements about her parenting. Then our family began publicly criticizing San Diego County Child Welfare Services, publishing information, speaking at the Board of Supervisors, distributing information, and exposing what we believed were serious contradictions and misconduct inside the case. After that public speech, the case changed dramatically.

New accusations appeared. Evelyn was portrayed as psychologically harmful. Sexual-abuse accusations entered the case. Her relationship with her daughters was attacked. Reports began presenting a narrative that there was little or no bond despite extensive evidence showing the opposite. Visitation became increasingly restricted. I was removed from contact with my granddaughters. The paternal family was increasingly treated as a problem. Eventually parental rights were terminated despite expert testimony warning that severing the mother-daughter relationship would cause catastrophic psychological and emotional harm.

That sequence demands investigation. Place the reports beside the recordings. Place the recordings beside the transcripts. Place the visitation history beside the dates of our public speech. Place the accusations beside what workers and others were saying before those accusations appeared. Determine who changed the narrative, when it changed, why it changed,

and whether evidence was distorted, omitted, manufactured, minimized, or presented in a materially misleading manner.

The repeated references to my blog and other protected speech are especially disturbing. My photographs, website, flyers, public comments, protests, and criticism of the County repeatedly became subjects within a child-welfare proceeding supposedly concerned with child safety. The restraining-order proceedings likewise require examination in that context. An investigator should determine whether genuine child-safety concerns drove those actions or whether protected criticism of government officials became part of the justification for separating a grandfather from his grandchildren and further isolating this family.

The fixation on the blog is not subtle. The blog, photographs, public criticism, and Internet content appear repeatedly throughout the history of this case. Evelyn was even questioned about whether I and others would remove material from the Internet. An investigator needs to examine the role of the guardian ad litem supervisor, social workers including Nicole Montzingo and David Miller, County Counsel, and others whose actions repeatedly intersected with our protected speech. Were visitation restrictions, restraining orders, escalating accusations, family separation, and ultimately termination of parental rights driven by legitimate child-safety concerns, or did retaliation and personal hostility infect decisions that were supposed to be about Malaika and Xayah? The complete record, recordings, reports, transcripts, and chronology can answer that question.

I should not have to reconstruct all of this by myself while the government possesses records I cannot freely obtain. My attempts to obtain addendum reports, social-worker notes, internal records, and other evidence have been difficult and incomplete. The County possesses reports and internal communications. Social workers created notes. The court possesses transcripts and recordings. Attorneys generated records. The timelines exist whether anyone wants to discuss them or not. Those records cannot erase the chronology.

The recordings are especially important because they preserve what people actually said. They allow contemporaneous statements to be compared directly against later reports, testimony, and court representations. I have preserved recordings and other evidence. I am prepared to identify them, explain their significance, and work with an assigned investigator on an appropriate method of reviewing and providing evidentiary copies while preserving the originals intact. I am not going to casually surrender irreplaceable original evidence into an administrative black hole without an investigator assigned and a documented process for handling it.

There is another question that deserves a direct answer. If Evelyn Lopez was truly such a danger to children that the government had to permanently destroy her parental relationship with Malaika and Xayah, then explain the present reality. Evelyn later gave birth to twins and has continued caring for her younger children. If she was truly the kind of danger portrayed in the dependency case, where is the evidence of that danger in her current parenting? The contradiction becomes even more serious because, immediately after the twins were born, Child Welfare Services attempted to pull those newborns into the same existing narrative surrounding Malaika and Xayah. Our family acted quickly and stopped that effort. An investigator should determine who initiated that response, what information was used to justify it, whether the

existing case was being improperly carried over onto newborn children, and why the supposed danger appears to have escalated alongside the family's public criticism while earlier periods included unsupervised visits, praise of Evelyn's parenting, and clear evidence of a strong mother-daughter bond.

Meanwhile, the evidence shows that Malaika and Xayah have suffered serious emotional and psychological distress from prolonged separation from their family. I possess well over half a dozen videos documenting their reactions, including crying, resistance to separation, emotional breakdowns, and other behavior showing the toll this case has taken on them. At the same time, County records and proceedings repeatedly focused on my blog, public speech, photographs, videos, and efforts to expose what I believed was misconduct. My YouTube channel, which contained family videos, music, and other material, was later shut down. I do not know who caused that action, but the broader fixation on my speech and online activity is documented throughout this case. An investigator should examine why so much attention was directed toward the family's speech while the children's documented trauma, their bond with their family, and serious safety concerns were being minimized or ignored.

These children are not the property of Norma Olivares or Ronald Rivas Silverio. They are not the property of San Diego County. They are not government inventory waiting for an adoption finalization. Malaika and Xayah already have a family: a mother, father, grandfather, siblings, extended relatives, and people who have fought relentlessly to remain in their lives. The government's responsibility was to protect these children and preserve their family whenever safely possible, not transform a temporary child-welfare intervention into permanent family destruction.

My own conduct also deserves to be examined rather than caricatured. At the Board of Supervisors, I sarcastically referred to myself as the most dangerous man in San Diego because that is the narrative this system tried to create around me. Yet I was RFA-approved as a family placement for Malaika and Xayah. The approval process required my elderly mother, who suffered from dementia and depended on me for her care, to undergo fingerprinting and Live Scan procedures simply because the girls might be placed in our home. Because of problems with the fingerprint equipment, I had to bring her back on consecutive days while staff manipulated her hands and fingers even though she did not understand why it was being done. My mother had worked in the medical field for decades as an EEG technician, and her longtime significant other, Deputy Dave Gaerin, was a 15-year veteran of the San Diego County Sheriff's Department and a former San Diego police officer. I was her conservator and trustee and cared for her for years. She was Malaika and Xayah's great-grandmother, yet despite my RFA approval, the girls were denied meaningful time with her in her own home before she died during the course of this case. An investigator should compare those facts against the dangerous-grandfather narrative and determine whether that characterization was ever based on actual evidence of danger or instead grew after I refused to stop speaking publicly about what was happening to my family.

What also demands investigation is the blatant use of government and court-appointed power against law-abiding adults and senior family members who refused to stop speaking. I was subjected to repeated restrictions, dragged into proceedings requiring roughly 80-mile round

trips, and forced to manage those demands while caring for my elderly dependent mother. At the same time, reports and proceedings repeatedly documented my speech, photographs, blog activity, public criticism, and media appearances, while negative characterizations of me were inserted into the record despite the absence of criminal conduct establishing that I was dangerous. This was not child protection. It was an abuse of authority used to burden, isolate, and punish citizens who challenged the system, and that abuse reached children, parents, a grandfather, and an elderly dependent family member. I have recordings and written evidence documenting this conduct, and I am asking your office to investigate who participated in it, how far it went, and what laws were violated.

Your office does not need to accept my conclusions. Investigate them. Assign an investigator and arrange a formal evidence review with me and with appropriate support present. I do not intend to sit alone in a room while discussing a case this serious. I would want a family advocate present, along with investigative journalists who have already reported on this case and can speak to the public record they have reviewed. I would also want the option of having an independent licensed social worker from outside California participate as a support person and professional observer. She has listened to portions of the recordings and has expressed grave concern about the conduct reflected in them. Depending on the circumstances, other appropriate witnesses or support persons may also need to be present. The purpose is not to create a spectacle. It is to ensure that the evidence is reviewed carefully, accurately, and with independent people present who understand the history of this case.

I have not limited my efforts to San Diego County. I have contacted officials and offices in Washington, D.C., including the White House, the Vice President, the First Lady, elected representatives, civil-rights authorities, journalists, newspapers, advocates, and filmmakers. Our family's case was also included in Ryan Matta's documentary *Never in America*, including footage concerning the San Diego Board of Supervisors and Malaika and Xayah. This case is no longer confined to a dependency courtroom or an internal County file. I will continue putting the record before people with the authority, platform, or responsibility to examine it.

This is our family. These are human beings, and what has been done to Malaika and Xayah has affected an entire family across generations. This is not an abstract case file or a bureaucratic exercise. This is my granddaughters' childhood. I have two other sons and an extended family that includes grandchildren who have served this country and their communities, including a grandson who served in the Army and now works as a K-9 police officer in Southern Illinois, a granddaughter serving in the Army, other grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Malaika and Xayah belong to that family too. They should be growing up knowing their parents, grandfather, siblings, cousins, aunts, uncles, and extended family, not living through a prolonged family-separation nightmare in the home of a private caregiver while their own family is kept at a distance. The damage is not theoretical. It is being done to real children, in real time, and the years being taken from them cannot be given back.

There is also a human cost that no report, court order, or administrative phrase can capture. I know what it feels like to wake up every day with an emptiness in your chest because someone else has the power to keep you from children you love. I miss my granddaughters every single day. I cannot hug them, talk with them normally, watch them grow, or simply be their

grandfather. If that is what this has done to me, I can only imagine what it has done to their mother. I have video of Evelyn outside the courthouse after her parental rights were terminated. She was in shock. No mother should be reduced to that because government actors abused their power and turned a child-welfare case into punishment. What has been done to this family is cruel, degrading, and deeply wrong. San Diego should be ashamed that this was allowed to happen.

I believe in law and order, accountability, and reporting crimes when I see them. I have always believed government has a duty to protect people, not prey on them. But when government actors use their authority to retaliate against protected speech, manufacture or repeat damaging accusations, isolate children from their family, and punish the people demanding accountability, they stop looking like protectors and start looking like predators themselves. I am the kind of person who reports wrongdoing to law enforcement and expects the system to do its job. I have a big heart, but I will never tolerate what has been done to my granddaughters and my family. I will continue challenging every order, restriction, and action I believe was produced through retaliation, abuse of authority, or denial of due process, and I will continue demanding independent review.

We are demanding justice. We are demanding the return of Malaika and Xayah to their family. This family has fought relentlessly because these are our children and because the bond they have with their mother, father, grandfather, siblings, and extended family is real. Even one of the social workers directly involved in retaliatory and punitive actions against our family reportedly remarked that she had never seen a family fight so hard. Those actions included restricting family contact, escalating accusations, attacking the family bond, and helping drive this case toward permanent separation after we spoke out. That statement says more than she may have realized. A social worker participating in those actions could still see how fiercely this family was fighting to remain in these girls' lives. Families do not fight this hard for years because there is no bond. They fight because the bond is real, the loss is real, and the injustice is real.

What has happened here is a gross miscarriage of justice. A private caregiver was given extraordinary access and influence while this family was increasingly pushed away, restricted, attacked, and portrayed as dangerous. The people who should have been examining the contradictions instead allowed the destruction of this family to continue. If the County and everyone involved acted properly, an independent investigation will establish that. If they did not, Malaika and Xayah deserve far more than another administrative explanation.

I am not backing away. Your office has asked twice for evidence, and I am telling you again that substantial evidence exists. The shifting narratives, the timing of adverse actions after protected speech, the contradictory reports, the recordings, the restrictions, the attacks on family bonds, the conduct of public officials and private individuals, and the progression toward termination require serious investigation. What is needed now is not another request that a civilian assemble an entire government-corruption case by himself. What is needed is an investigator with the authority to obtain the complete record, compare the evidence, interview the witnesses, identify the sources of damaging accusations, and determine who did what and why.

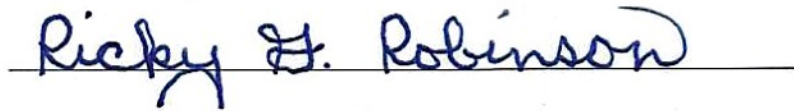
I am prepared to spend my remaining years pursuing the truth, accountability, justice, and the return of Malaika and Xayah to their family. I will continue preserving evidence, contacting authorities, speaking publicly, working with journalists and advocates, and exposing what happened for as long as necessary. Protected speech does not become misconduct simply because government officials dislike being criticized. Nothing will persuade me to abandon my granddaughters, and nothing will make this family disappear.

I am also enclosing a five-page investigative article documenting one of Malaika and Xayah's final visits with Evelyn Lopez, including photographs of the girls holding pink I LOVE MOM signs outside a San Diego County Sheriff's facility. Those photographs capture something no bureaucratic phrase can erase: two young children openly expressing their love for their mother while the government was moving toward permanently severing that relationship. The article is one of multiple investigative reports concerning this case, and I am providing it because your office should see the human consequences of the decisions reflected in the records I am asking you to investigate.

Please contact me to arrange an investigative meeting and evidence review.

Please be advised that this letter and any supporting materials may be published online or otherwise made available to the public as part of my continuing effort to document this case, preserve the record, seek accountability, and ensure that what has happened to Malaika and Xayah is not buried or forgotten.

For the record,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ricky G. Robinson". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

Ricky G. Robinson

August 13, 2026

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PUBLIC DEMAND FOR HELP TO DA SUMMER STEPHAN

DA Summer Stephan's own words: *"Silence just allows the perpetrators to continue."*



Malaika and Xayah Robinson are unjustly imprisoned in a real-life Cinderella horror story inside San Diego County's foster prison. Both girls are suffering and missing their mother, but *Malaika* especially has reported being treated badly by caregiver Norma Olivares. San Diego County protects Olivares while keeping both girls from their mother, newborn siblings they have never met, and family who love them. This child-welfare fraud has gone on for over two years.

Summer Stephan, investigate the grudge-driven, coordinated wrongful kidnapping of Malaika and Xayah Robinson: cruelty, lies, psychological warfare against their mother Evelyn Lopez, catastrophic harm to the children and family, reckless disregard for human life, and character assassination of their RFA-approved grandfather, a senior caregiver, conservator, and trustee. Investigate the federal foster-care funds being used to keep children trapped in the foster prison. This is documented. The proof is undeniable.

For speaking out and exposing corruption, the *Robinson-Lopez* family was relentlessly attacked with retaliation, false allegations, poisoned court records, retaliatory restraining orders, psychological cruelty, elder harm, covered-up abuse and sexual-abuse concerns, abuse of power under color of law, First and Fourteenth Amendment violations, family destruction, and a gross miscarriage of justice.

Help bring *Malaika and Xayah* home from San Diego County's cruelest acts of child-welfare fraud.



SAMPLE OF EVIDENCE AVAILABLE FOR INVESTIGATIVE REVIEW

This is only a small sample of the evidence our family possesses. It is not a complete inventory, and I am deliberately not identifying every person involved or the manner in which every piece of evidence was preserved. An assigned investigator can review the evidence directly and compare it against County reports, court records, sworn statements, visitation decisions, restraining-order proceedings, and the chronology of our protected speech.

We possess undeniable evidence documenting repeated intimidation, coercive pressure, psychological punishment, and abuse of authority directed at Evelyn Lopez during the reunification process. One social worker in particular repeatedly lectured and pressured her, isolated her for conversations, and on one occasion physically blocked a doorway and prevented her from leaving immediately after an emotionally devastating visit. Evelyn was already under extreme stress and experiencing panic attacks. She later spoke publicly at the San Diego County Board of Supervisors about how she was being treated. Instead of her concerns being taken seriously, the pressure against her escalated, accusations intensified, her character was attacked, and the case ultimately moved toward termination of her parental rights.

We also possess evidence directly supporting what Evelyn publicly described about the way she was treated. This is not a situation where investigators must simply choose between the word of a vulnerable mother and the word of government employees. The underlying evidence exists and can be reviewed. It should be compared against later reports, testimony, accusations, and the timing of adverse actions that followed her public criticism.

Additional evidence documents pressure tied to housing and family separation, discussions about adoption while reunification was supposedly still being pursued, statements treating Malaika and Xayah as belonging to the court rather than their mother, repeated attention to photographs, blogs, QR codes, protests, public comments, podcasts, and other protected speech, and material contradictions between what occurred and what was later written in reports.

We also possess evidence concerning discussions about what members of our family would have to remove from the Internet in order to make restraining orders go away, including names, photographs, and references to the children and private caregiver. There is also evidence concerning a statement that there was a bid on the children. Those

matters should be examined alongside the timing of visitation restrictions, restraining orders, escalating accusations, removal of family contact, and termination of parental rights.

This evidence is not limited to one incident or one disagreement. It reflects a broader pattern in which lawful criticism of government became intertwined with decisions affecting children, visitation, family relationships, and court proceedings. Journalists and advocates who have examined portions of what we possess have expressed substantial interest in the underlying evidence. I am asking the District Attorney's Office to review that evidence directly and compare it against the official record.

CONSTITUTIONAL AND FEDERAL CIVIL-RIGHTS PROTECTIONS

First Amendment — Retaliation for Protected Speech

The First Amendment protects speech, public criticism, protest, publication, and petitioning government. Government officials may not lawfully use governmental authority to punish citizens because they exercised protected speech.

Fourteenth Amendment — Familial Association and Family Integrity

The Fourteenth Amendment protects constitutionally recognized family relationships from unwarranted government interference. Government actions that improperly interfere with the parent-child relationship, family association, reunification, or continued family contact may implicate substantive due-process protections.

42 U.S.C. § 1983 — Civil Action for Deprivation of Rights

42 U.S.C. § 1983 provides a civil remedy when a person acting under color of state law deprives another person of rights secured by the Constitution or federal law.

18 U.S.C. § 242 — Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law

18 U.S.C. § 242 addresses willful deprivation of federally protected rights by persons acting under color of law.

18 U.S.C. § 241 — Conspiracy Against Rights

18 U.S.C. § 241 addresses conspiracies to injure, oppress, threaten, or intimidate persons in the exercise or enjoyment of rights protected by the Constitution or federal law.

The evidence should be reviewed as a connected pattern involving protected speech, governmental retaliation, family separation, coercive use of authority, and interference with constitutionally protected family relationships. We possess the underlying evidence. The task now is for trained investigators to determine who participated, who knew what was occurring, how official authority was used, and what criminal and civil-rights consequences follow from the documented conduct.

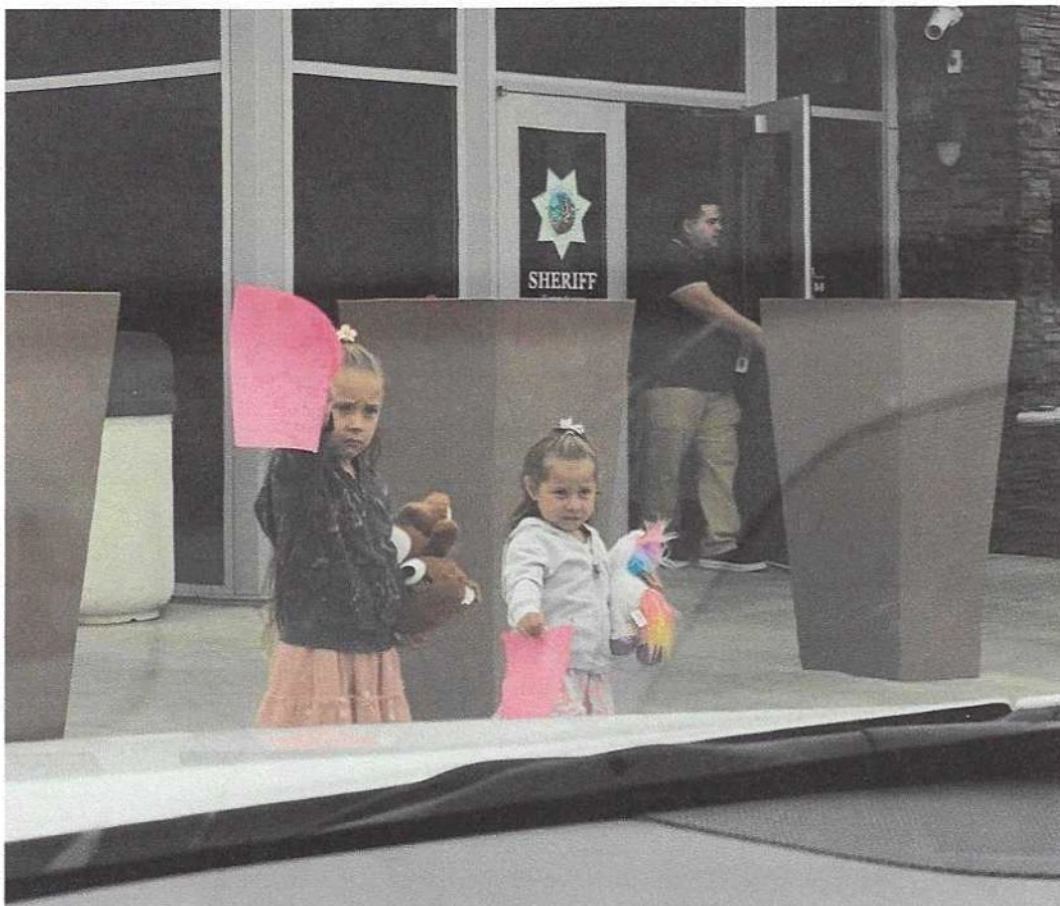
"I Love Mom": San Diego Girls Forced to Say Goodbye During Final Visit After Judge Terminates Mother's Parental Rights

California's Court Crisis —It's Extreme



JULIE M. ANDERSON HOLBURN

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SAN DIEGO, Calif. — On June 4, San Diego mother Evelyn Lopez and her two young daughters were brought together for what family

members describe as their final visit after a San Diego Juvenile Court judge terminated Lopez's parental rights on May 26.

The final visit took place at the Sheriff's Station, located at 11486 Campo Road in Spring Valley, California, where photographs obtained by *Unveiled and Uncensored* show Malaika, who turns 5 in November, and her 3-year-old sister Xayah holding handmade pink signs bearing messages including "I ♥ Mom" and "I Love Mom."

Family members say the children were emotional as they said goodbye to the only mother they have ever known and loved.

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The visit came just days after newly appointed San Diego Juvenile Court Judge Devon L. Lomayesva terminated Lopez's parental rights despite years of visitation records, emotional video footage, and expert testimony that supporters say documented a strong and loving bond between the children and their mother.

1. **Case Information:**
 Case Name: *Michelle Lopez*
 Case Number: *2026-00000000*
 Superior Court of California, County of *San Diego*
 Judge: *Michelle Lopez*
 Date: *May 29, 2026*
 Case Number: *521339AB*

2. **INSTRUCTIONS:**
 a. You or your attorney must fill in items 1 and 2 and sign this form at the bottom of the page. If possible, to help process your appeal, fill in items 3-7 on the reverse of this form.
 b. For most appeals, you must file a written notice of appeal within 60 days after rendition of the judgment or the making of the order being appealed. In matters listed by a referee, within 90 days after the order of the referee becomes final. Read rule 8.50 of the California Rules of Court.
 c. To appeal an order transferring jurisdiction to the central court, you must file this notice of appeal within 30 days. Read rules 9.77(a) and 9.40(a)(2).
 d. To file an appeal of an order for transfer to a trial court, you (1) may ask the juvenile court to stay (delay the effective date of) the transfer order and (2) must file the appeal before the transfer to trial jurisdiction is finalized. Read rule 9.423 and the authority commission comment.
 e. If you are not the county welfare department, district attorney, child, child's parent, or child's legal guardian, you may have a right to challenge a decision by the juvenile court, but only in very limited circumstances. You may need a court order granting you access to records in the juvenile case file. For more information, please see information on Requesting Access to Records for Parents With a Limited Right to Appeal (Juvenile Court 20-201, PDF). You can get form JV-201-002 at any courthouse or county law library or online at www.courtinfo.ca.gov.
 f. I appeal from the findings and orders of the court (specify date of order or judgment):
 3. This appeal is filed by:
 a. Appellant (name): *Michelle Lopez*
 b. Address: *747 S. Mission Road, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92108*
 c. Phone number: *619-588-5004*
 d. Name, address, and phone number of person to be contacted, if different from appellant:
 e. Appellant has been granted access to records in the juvenile case file, and a copy of the court's order under Welfare and Institutions Code section 827(a)(2) or Order After Adversity Review or Petition for Access to Juvenile Case File (form JV-574), is attached.
 4. I represent that the court appeal is attorney on appeal: ☒ yes ☐ no ☐ was not represented by an appointed attorney to the juvenile court.
 5. Items 3-7 on the reverse are: ☒ completed ☐ not completed.

6. **Child Information:**
 a. ☒ child
 b. ☐ mother
 c. ☐ father
 d. ☐ legal guardian
 e. ☐ de facto parent
 f. ☐ county welfare department
 g. ☐ district attorney
 h. ☐ child's spouse
 i. ☐ other (specify relationship to child or interest in the case):

7. **Notice of Appeal:**
 a. Name of child: *Michelle Lopez*
 b. Child's date of birth: *6/29/2023*
 c. Name of child: *Michelle Lopez*
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Lopez Notice of Appeal. May 29, 2026.

On May 29, Lopez and her attorney filed an appeal challenging the ruling and seeking further review of the court's decision.

The developments have intensified public scrutiny of California's family and dependency court system and raised renewed questions about secrecy, due process, family separation, and governmental accountability.

Read more: [Despite County Records Acknowledging Strong Maternal Bond and Expert Warnings of Harm, San Diego Judge Terminates Mother's Parental Rights in Sealed Dependency Proceedings](#)

["The Bond Doesn't Exist": San Diego Juvenile Court Blocks Press Access in Contested Termination-of-Parental-Rights Case Involving Two Toddler Sisters](#)

According to records reviewed by *Unveiled and Uncensored*, San Diego County visitation reports repeatedly described Lopez as loving, nurturing, emotionally attentive, and appropriately bonded with her daughters. Yet the same dependency system ultimately sought and obtained an order permanently severing her parental rights.

Photographs from the final visit have quickly become symbolic of the central dispute surrounding the case: whether a court should permanently sever a parent-child relationship when county records, visitation observations, emotional video footage, and expert testimony documented an ongoing maternal bond.

For supporters of the family, the image of two young girls holding signs reading "I Love Mom" outside a Sheriff's station only days after their mother's parental rights were terminated raises broader questions about family preservation, judicial decision-making, and the extraordinary power dependency courts exercise over the lives of children and families.

How to Help

In addition to pursuing an appeal, family members say they are actively seeking legal representation to explore potential civil claims against San Diego County and Child Welfare Services arising from the handling of the case.

They are asking attorneys, civil rights organizations, legal advocacy groups, and others willing to assist with the matter to contact the family regarding potential representation, appellate support, or further legal review.

For now, Evelyn Lopez's fight to remain connected to her daughters continues in California's appellate courts. While appellate proceedings can take years to resolve, those close to the case hope additional media attention and legal scrutiny will bring greater examination of what they believe are profound questions involving family preservation, due process, governmental accountability, and the dependency system's extraordinary power to permanently separate children from their biological families.

As Lopez's appeal moves forward, those questions are now likely headed to California's appellate courts.

This ongoing series on the California family and probate court and CPS corruption crisis—and the broader nationwide family court crisis—aims to bring national attention to systemic failures and to advocate for meaningful reform and accountability.

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The time for action is now. Lawmakers, the media, and the public must act together to demand justice, accountability, and protection for families and children.

Are you committed to protecting America's children and restoring integrity to our legal system?

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