

The Non-Payment of Child Support Lie:

During the first year of child support, Cheri would report me to GCSS saying that she didn’t receive payment—all lies. Every time this occurred, I would go to the Miller Rd. Child Support Office to talk with their lawyer and a caseworker to show them the signature confirmations and the bank and postal service record that the check or money order, how I sent each payment was cashed. Finally, I spoke with them about putting myself on self-report so I could do auto deductions to protect myself; but they informed me that you can’t do that in Georgia. Eventually your mom did that to me out of spite, for whatever reason that creates pleasure for her. I’ve always paid child support, except for twine when I was laid off like during the first few months of the pandemic—Georgia mandates no child support payments during the time a worker is displaced and I quickly found employment with GA DPH. Then a strange thing happened, your mom started writing “return to sender” on the envelopes. For five months, the USPS money orders in their certified, signature-only envelopes were being returned. She then called GCSS and tried to take me to court for nonpayment. I emailed her to meet me at the Family Law Center in the DeKalb County Courthouse, where they know your name and our case, and made her sign a receipt with the staff as witnesses in order to pick up the money orders she said she never received—was she mad! Why? Because she had to do the right thing, right? Right.



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Greenberg, Mark L. Final Email Request

Mark Greenberg <greenbergmark@gmail.com> Fri, Mar 1, 2019 at 11:19 AM
To: Cheri Smithson <cherismithson@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Witte, Steve" <switte@emory.edu>
Bcc: greenbergmark@gmail.com

Hi Cheri,

Here is the third certified mail with signature delivery of half of your legal fees returned as "unable to deliver", as an attachment. After this envelope was returned, I met with a lawyer, went to child protective services, and met with my case worker at child support services to ask the direction I should take to be able to make these payments, as you were refusing them, and to protect myself from these type of intricately designed attacks I know you don't see it that way, but it is my great hope that someday you will—for our son's sake.

I have \$500 for you which includes the payments you neither signed for at the address you emailed as a your home address nor picked up from your post office with USPS notices sent to the address you sent in your email, the address on the envelope, each via certified letter with signature delivery, with serial numbered, trackable USPS money orders. You can say that this didn't happen, but the physical evidence shows otherwise. I don't fault you, apparently it's what you feel you need to do, but it hurts Emmett. And, again, I know you don't see it that way, and again, I hope that someday you will—for Emmett.

In your previous email, you suggested we meet at either our home or yours. However, the professionals I met with and several friends felt that was a not a good idea and suggested a neutral location which would provide witnesses during the exchange. I will meet you at the DeKalb Family Law Center on the first floor of the DeKalb County Courthouse to hand you the money order, and ask that you sign a receipt stating that you received those payments in their waiting room. That would offer me the protection I need.

The March payment will occur during the month in the same manner. Please let me know well in advance when you can meet at the DeKalb Family Law Center at the DeKalb Courthouse. Their hours are 8:30am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday. I can meet anytime today between 3:30 and 4pm, for instance.

Regards,
Mark, Emmett's other loving parent
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Cheri Smithson <cherismithson@yahoo.com> Fri, Mar 1, 2019 at 11:53 AM
Reply to: Cheri Smithson <cherismithson@yahoo.com>
To: Cheri Smithson <cherismithson@yahoo.com>, Mark Greenberg <greenbergmark@gmail.com>
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I will meet you there at 3:30pm today.

On Fri, 3/1/19, Mark Greenberg <greenbergmark@gmail.com> wrote:

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Hi Cheri,

Thank you for meeting there today. It's so much easier and helps Emmett when you and I are cooperating, even if he didn't see that today. The women behind the counter at DeKalb Family Law Center know everything about Emmett, you, and I and are completely impartial. It was their suggestion that we meet there. Please find attached copies of the document you signed. I appreciate that you did as it was a protective measure for me. Non-combative co-parenting efforts help Emmett, ultimately. As I wrote before, it's a deep hope of mine that you'll come to that realization. That's not a criticism. For six years, I've never maligned you, even indirectly, because you're Emmett's mom.

Regards,
Mark, Emmett's dad
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