

This is Chloe Combe Rivas, my beautiful and loving little girl who was abducted by her non-custodial mother on March 15, 2006 across international border to Mexico. Chloe at that time was 2 ½ years old.

Chloe is an U.S citizen, born and raised in Kansas City for the first years of her life. Her mother Aline Rivas Vera (referred in this letter as the kidnapper) is a Mexican citizen who was in the U.S. on a student visa at Park University in Parkville, MO.

My name is Didier Combe and I have lived in Kansas City since 1991. I was born in France and I am an U.S citizen. I settled in Parkville while opening my restaurant, Café Des Amis in 2000, and I am Chloe's father.

I was granted full legal and physical custody of my daughter Chloe in 2006 by the Platte county circuit court in Missouri. The kidnapper failed to appear at any of the hearings which were set up prior to the abduction.

Since the kidnapping of my daughter, these were issued by local and federal agency against the kidnapper:

-CLASS D FELONY PARENTAL KIDNAPING filed on May 9th 2006 by the Platte county prosecuting attorney.

-CLASS E FELONY filed on June 27th 2006 indictment by the grand jury in the United States district court for the western district of Missouri western division.

-A FEDERAL WARRANT FOR THE ARREST OF ALINE RIVAS VERA filed on June 20th 2006 by the United States of America.

-INTERPOL FILED A RED NOTICE (*"To seek the arrest or provisional arrest of wanted persons with a view to extradition"*) against Aline Rivas Vera,

-INTERPOL FILED A YELLOW NOTICE (*"To help locate missing persons, often minors, or to help identify persons who are unable to identify themselves"*) for Chloe.

I have been working closely with the U.S. State Department, the FBI, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, where Chloe is listed as a missing child since March 2006.

www.missingkids.com out of Missouri

In the past two years I went many times to Mexico to meet with the Mexican central authorities who are working with the US state department, and Mexican family court. I have been represented by a lawyer in Mexico City since October 2006.

On March 15th 2006, Chloe was taken from her family in Kansas City and taken in hiding to Mexico City. Since that day Chloe was cut from everyone she was living with in Kansas City, which includes:

Her maternal grandmother (kidnapper's mother), maternal uncles (kidnapper's twin brother and younger brother), paternal grandparents, paternal aunt (my sister), paternal and maternal cousins, friends and myself her father.

I filed a Hague application with the US state department on April 2006.

The Hague convention was signed by sixty eight countries in the world. Here is the definition and job of the Hague as stated on the US state department web site." *The countries that are party to the Convention have agreed that a child who is habitually resident in one party country, and who has been removed to or retained in another party country in violation of the left-behind parent's custodial rights, shall be promptly returned to the country of habitual residence.*" Mexico has signed the Hague convention treaty in 1991 . Still Chloe is not back .

In Mexico numerous attempts were made by the Mexican government to serve the kidnapper so the case could move in front of a judge. It took over one year to happen because of the kidnapper's hiding. When finally the kidnapper was brought to court in front of a Mexican family judge, the process was stopped by the kidnapper three times for a total of eight months of appeals; all were denied by a Mexican federal judge.

Both the kidnapper's mother and twin brother went to Mexico City several times to make deposition in favor of Chloe's return to the US against the kidnapper. Both were part of Chloe's life before she was kidnapped and they will be part of her life upon her return to the US. Both have no news of the kidnapper .

Finally a decision was made on April 24th 2008 and the judge declared that Chloe should stay in Mexico. None of the reasons shown by the kidnapper were valid according to the Hague convention, and that was confirmed by the family judge in his verdict.

The family judge made his decision stating that Chloe now was used of living in Mexico so she should stay in Mexico, regardless of the international law in which that case falls under.

This is a wrong decision that I am appealing.

I am not the only one this is happening to. There are hundreds children kidnapped in the U.S every year by the non-custodial parent. Drastic measures need to be taken to rectify this issue that affect thousands of families in the US.

On March 15th 2006 my life was shattered. I have spent every day of the past two years trying to get Chloe back with her whole family. I have given all my time and finance for Chloe's safe return here in the US.

Now I am seeking help,

My sources: [-www.missingkids.com](http://www.missingkids.com)

[-www.interpol.int](http://www.interpol.int)

-www.interpol.int/Public/Children/Conventions/Hague28eng.asp

-www.state.gov

-www.tsjdf.gov.mx

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