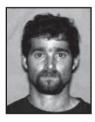


CHILD SUPPORT EVADER STEPHEN ZYGAJ

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needs your help locating Child Support Evader Stephen Zygaj, one of the Most Wanted Child Support Evaders in Texas. Zygaj, who was added to the

Child Support Evader list in September 2007, owes \$40,930 for the care of a 9-year-old son in Michigan.

In 2002, Zygaj was ordered to pay \$181 a week in child support. Zygaj did not follow the court's order to support his child financially. By 2004, he owed more than \$10,000.

After being given many opportunities to catch up on his payments, an arrest warrant was issued in April 2006 when Zygaj failed to appear at a court hearing to address his noncompliance.

Zygaj was released after serving five days in jail on the condition that he participate in a Bexar County program that provides job assistance and training to parents who are delinquent in their child support payments. Zygaj, who by this time owed more than \$30,000, did not show up for his scheduled appointment or appear at subsequent enforcement hearings. He now is wanted on a \$6,000 cash bond that when paid will go to the mother and child who are owed the support.

Zygaj has not made a child support payment in two years. By refusing to provide the financial resources his son needs, Zygaj has turned his back on his child and violated the law. A combination of missed payments and interest that accrues on unpaid child support adds up to more that \$40,000 in unpaid child support that Zygaj owes.

Investigators from the Attorney General's Office have searched the state for Zygaj. He is believed to be living in the San Antonio area. He may be working for cash or self-employed to avoid garnishment of wages to pay child support. Contact the Attorney General's Office at 866-EVADERS (382-3377) to report information that may lead to the arrest of Stephen Zygaj.

Last Address San Antonio, TX
Occupation General Laborer
Born 1/3/69
Height 5'8"
Weight 140 lbs.
Color of Eyes Brown
Color of Hair Brown
Race Caucasian
Tatoos Wolf, Pink
Panther, and Tazmanian Devil
holding a beer mug on arms

The Child Support Evaders are selected because they have the ability to take responsibility for their children, but refuse to do so. Incarceration is the only option for parents who flagrantly ignore a court's order to pay child support. The Attorney General's Office helps parents who lack the ability to pay child support by referring them to job training and employment services. Visit the agency's Web site **www.oag.state.tx.us** to find out about other Child Support Evaders, and to obtain information about the Attorney General's Child Support Division.

POINTS TO REMEMBER



MOST WANTED EVADERS

For a parent to be named as a Most Wanted Child Support Evader:

- Court-ordered delinquent support must be in excess of \$5,000
- Arrest warrant must have been issued for non-support
- Location of non-custodial parent is unknown
- Parent has not made any payments in the last six months
- Non-custodial parent must not be involved in bankruptcy proceedings
- Non-custodial parent must not be receiving welfare benefits

In order to make child support information public, the custodial parent must sign a confidentiality waiver.

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