



CHILD SUPPORT EVADER MARCUS SPANIHEL JR

by Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott

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your help locating Child Support Evader Marcus Spanihel Jr., one of the Most Wanted Child Support Evaders in Texas. Spanihel, who was added to the Child Support Evader's list in April 2008, owes \$45,484 for the care of one 16-year-old son living with his mother in a small town outside of Brenham.

In August 1993, Spanihel was ordered to pay \$480 a month in child support. Spanihel, who had the ability to make his payments, did not follow the judge's order to support his son financially.

By 2005, he owed more than \$20,000 in unpaid child support. After being given many chances to pay what he owed, a Lee County judge issued a warrant for Spanihel's arrest.

Marcus Spanihel has not made a single child support payment in more

than three years. By refusing to provide the financial resources his son needs, Spanihel has turned his back on him and violated the law. A combination of missed payments and interest that accrues on unpaid child support adds up to more than \$45,000 in unpaid child support Spanihel now owes.

Investigators from the Office of the Attorney General have searched the state for Spanihel, who may be living in Hallettsville, a small town in Lavaca County. He could be working for cash 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 Marcus Spanihel Jr.

Last Address Hallettsville, TX
Occupation..... Bricklayer
Born..... 10/24/60
Height..... 6'0"

Weight 170
Color of Eyes..... Hazel
Color of Hair..... Brown
RaceCaucasian
Distinguishing Marks.....Mole on right side of face

Child Support Evaders are singled out 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 at www.texasattorneygeneral.gov 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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