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**Subject:** Bring-Your-Child-To-Work-Day at a work comp hearing

Hello members of the Work Comp Advisory Council,

In a conversation with Steven Peters, I was asked to outline an unusual situation that occurred during a work comp hearing that took place in April 2023, in Milwaukee.

On April 27 of this year, the day of the hearing, Atty. Ronald Stadler brought his school-aged son with him to the hearing. We were told that it was bring-your-child-to-work day. I was not asked by the judge, nor anyone else, if this was ok with me. It was not. It made me very uncomfortable and it seemed to put my case in the backseat. The hearing, which was about me being assaulted at my part-time job, suddenly became about this child that was in the room with us. My full-time job is as a paraprofessional at a grade school. I therefore am a mandatory reporter of children being endangered or put in inappropriate situations. Discussing a physical assault on a woman doing her job seemed to me to be an inappropriate situation in which to place a child.

If there is not a precedent in regard to children being allowed at work comp hearings, I ask that you please address this issue and propose appropriate guidelines.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about this event, or would like to discuss this further.

Respectfully submitted,  
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