

*Battered Women, Abused Children, and Child Custody:  
A National Crisis*

*“Help, Hope, and Empowerment”*

Fifth Annual Conference  
January 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> 2008  
Friday Evening - Sunday Evening  
The Clarion Hotel and Conference Center  
Albany, New York

Visit [www.batteredmotherscustodyconference.org](http://www.batteredmotherscustodyconference.org) for additional information,  
hotel reservations, and conference registration.

*Limited scholarships will be available to assist battered mothers to attend the conference.  
See attached brochure for details.*

Come join with mothers and advocates from across the nation to hear and dialogue with presenters, including:

Wendy Murphy, Angela Shelton, Lundy Bancroft, Toby Kleinman, Joan Zorza, Diane and Kristen Hofheimer, Nancy Erickson, Barry Goldstein, Robin Yeamans, Garland Waller, Seth Goldstein, Geri Stahly, Joy Silberg, Rita Henley-Jensen, Renee Beeker, Dianne Post, Marcia Pappas, Ben Atherton-Zeman, Wendy Titelman, and many others who are working to combat the legal injustices facing protective mothers in the nation's family/divorce courts.

We are currently soliciting a few more workshops on topics related to  
SUPPORTING AND EMPOWERING PROTECTIVE MOTHERS

Possible topics include:

- Personal survival skills for litigants
- Strategies for choosing the right attorney
- Organizing local support groups or activist networks of protective mothers
- Legal strategies for mothers representing themselves pro se
- Strategies for recovery and healing from intimate partner violence and abuse and other self-help practices
- "Parenting Under Siege": Protecting your children when the court system won't
- Adult children who were ordered to live with an abusive parent or were otherwise separated from their protective mothers
- Publicizing and exposing improper and unethical court practices

If interested in presenting a workshop, please submit a one-paragraph proposal to [mhannah413@aol.com](mailto:mhannah413@aol.com).