



CASE BARNETT
— LAW —



HOW WE HAVE SPENT OUR QUARANTINE

UPDATES FROM THE BARNETT HOUSE

When my family set out on our RV adventure in late February, I knew there were a few things that could cause us to end the trip early. But I was not expecting my wife to catch a virus that would soon cause a global pandemic.

Before I continue, yes, Nicole is doing okay now. She was one of the earliest COVID-19 cases in the state of California. Thankfully, Nicole only had to spend one night in the hospital, but she had to be quarantined in the bedroom for several weeks. The kids and I couldn't see her at all, and that was hard on the whole family. When she could finally come out into the rest of the house again, Finn and Harlow were so happy to see her.

The kids have been so rad through this whole thing. They're so young, but they know things have been different. Not going to Disneyland is a pretty big deal with our family. But Finn and Harlow understand that we've had to stay home so we don't get sick or get other people sick. They're already being home-schooled, but actually having to stay home all day was a big transition for them. Nicole usually takes them to the park or beach to learn outside in the world. Our entire schedules had to be reworked to try and keep our two little kids entertained all day. This might have led to a bounce castle in the living room. Honestly, I think Finn and Harlow were just happy to have Mom and Dad home all day long.

The entire firm began working remotely during the first week of March. This was before Governor Newsom announced the shelter-in-place order, but if I wasn't going into the office myself, then I wasn't going to make the rest of my team go in. Turns out, this put us really ahead of the curve. We were in a good place when the courts shut down and began hearing emergency cases only. As personal injury lawyers, we were fortunate because we could actually keep working on most of our cases. We are able to take depositions

and do mediations remotely using Zoom, and we have gotten more creative so we can keep pushing cases forward.

Our whole team has been just incredible during this process. These are tough times for everyone, but the team is still there for our clients and for each other. I especially want to shout out my associates Geraldine (Dena) Weiss and Jamal Mahmood. They are just gangbusters. Dena put herself on an extreme lockdown but was still crushing it. Meanwhile, Jamal has been such a beast, working to push cases forward. I had to set my phone to not accept calls before 5:30 a.m. because he was just on the grind nonstop. Our paralegals Gio and Paige have offered constant support to the attorneys and our managing attorney Rachelle has masterfully tackled each and every transition we have gone through.

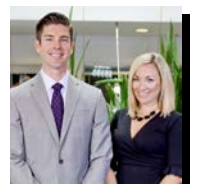
This year didn't start out the way anyone expected. We're halfway through 2020, and I honestly have no idea what the rest of the year will bring. For now, I think it's best to focus on the here and now. I'm grateful for my team who has been working so hard. I'm grateful that the firm has been able to continue operating and helping our clients through the pandemic, and I'm grateful that my family is healthy and safe.

As for that RV trip? We're hoping to hit the road again once everything calms down. It's good to have something fun to look forward to, whatever the future may bring.

—Case Barnett



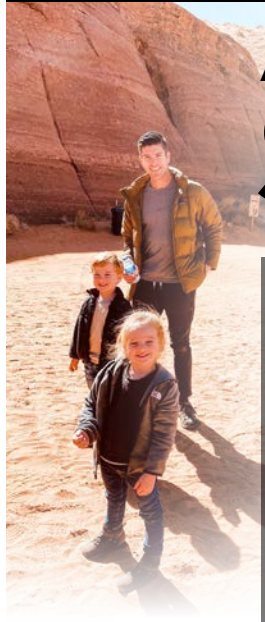
How to clear out a Target



A Very Special STORY TIME

Hello everyone!

Finn and Harlow here. This month, we're even joined by our mommy for a very special story. Father's Day is coming up, and we wanted to list all the reasons why our dad is the very best dad ever! But we couldn't agree on a list, so we each made our own!



To the Best Dad Ever

My daddy is my Prince Eric because:

1. He lets me cook dinner with him every night and tells me I'm "the best helper ever."
2. He lets me steal all the dough to eat whenever we make homemade pizza.
3. He doesn't tell me to "stay outside" (like Mommy always does) when I come in the house covered in mud.
4. He tells THE best stories.
5. He is always patient with me, even when I am acting crazy.
6. When I wake up at night, he likes to come and hold me in my rocking chair. It's better than when Mom does it because he actually falls asleep in the chair and I get to sleep on his chest.
7. He is going to marry me.

—Harlow

My daddy is my superhero because:

1. He lets me lock him in "jail" when we play. He even falls asleep in jail sometimes!
2. He lets me do my favorite things like taking all of the spices out of the pantry to make "potions" and taking all of the pillows and blankets from our house into the backyard to make forts.
3. He understands me, and he always knows how to make me feel brave and strong. He tells me, "Courage is doing what you are afraid to do."
4. He lets me roughhouse and only has one rule for us: Don't shoot Nerf darts at the girls.
5. He helps me relax and fall asleep at night by telling me stories and giving me a massage.
6. He cooks us breakfast for dinner.
7. He loves Disneyland just as much as I do.

—Finn

Case is the best dad ever because:

1. He is our balance. We always joke that he is the odd one out in this house because the kids are so similar to me. The truth is that Case is our balance. Picture me, Finn, and Harlow piled on one end of a teeter-totter. Case is on the other side, balancing us out and making sure we don't crash to the ground.
2. Our family is his top priority. He is so involved in the kids' lives and is hands-on in all ways possible.
3. He takes the early morning shift and has done so for almost six years. He is so much better than me at being patient and happy at 6 a.m. When I wake up at 6 a.m. instead of 7 a.m., I am grumpy and he has happily — and smartly — allowed me to not get up when it's still dark outside.
4. He celebrates our children for who they are and gives them the freedom to explore ALL the things they are interested in.
5. He says "yes" a lot more than I do. "Dad, can we paint the ground with squished-up food instead of chalk?" Yes. "Can we put every single pillow we own and half of our furniture out in the dirty playhouse?" Yes. "Can we roast marshmallows before dinner?" Yes. "Can we leave 20 containers of water and soap under the bathroom sink to see what kind of things we can grow?" Yes. "Can we turn the entire living room into an obstacle course and leave it up for six weeks?" Yes. Our kids love when he's on duty because it is WAY more fun than when Mom is in charge.
6. I couldn't be the mom I am without him. He supports all of my crazy ideas, adventures, and plans and trusts me even when I want to do something he never would have imagined doing, like driving an RV across four states in two weeks.
7. He puts in time with our kids. With every choice he makes, he first thinks of how it will affect his family.
8. His kids will never question his love for them.

Nicole

New Firm Communication Policy: We now have an attorney answering our phone! That's right, we have done away with the traditional legal secretary role, and we have our managing attorney, Rachelle Staley, taking your calls. We want you to have access to an attorney whenever you need it. Now, if your attorney is in court or at a deposition, you can still chat with our managing attorney, who knows all of the details of your case. Of course, you can still call your attorneys and paralegals directly on their individual phone lines as well. Main Office: 949-565-2993 Case: 949.861.2990 Jamal: 949.234.8131 Dena: 818.269.1302 Paige: 949.891.0279 Gio: 949.482.1414



AN APP TO KEEP YOUR LIFE TOGETHER

Why Every Parent Needs Trello

In the best of times, it can be difficult to keep all the plates spinning. Between work, household chores, errands, the kids' school stuff, and everything else, keeping things organized is an impressive feat. These daily tasks became even more challenging when the COVID-19 pandemic hit. Suddenly, parents were juggling all those responsibilities from inside their homes while trying to work remotely and oversee home-schooling for their kids. If you've struggled to get your footing over the last few months, then do yourself a favor and download Trello.

Trello is a free organization app designed to give you a quick overview of everything that needs to get done on one screen. This flexibility comes from Trello's three simple parts: boards, lists, and cards.

- **Boards** house the overall project you're currently working on. This could be household chores, an RV trip plan, or your work to-do list.
- **Lists** divide a board into each stage of the process. Think of it as "To-Do," "Doing," and "Done." Did the clothes in the washing machine ever get moved to the dryer? If the laundry is still in "Doing," then the answer is no.
- **Cards** are the specific elements of a project that must be accomplished. A card might be "Clean the kitchen," "Call the school," or "Email coworker about that report." These break down every task into bite-size pieces.

Trello doesn't just help keep you organized. It can also help keep your team — be it your family or your coworkers — on the same page. A Trello board can be shared with multiple users, which makes it a great tool in a remote office workplace or to keep your teenagers on track when they're trying to get out of doing their chores.

This simple, effective app can help you gain a little more control over your life during uncertain times. Download Trello today and start getting more done with less stress.

OUR CLIENTS SAY IT BEST

"I have known Case professionally as a fellow attorney as well as being his client. As a colleague, he was well-respected, tenacious, thorough with the cases, and very dedicated to his clients. When I had a civil case arise that had complex issues, I turned to Case after a group of other attorneys from a big law firm couldn't handle it. We were up against a governmental entity and facing an uphill battle, given the mess that the previous law firm had made on the case. It was heartwarming to see Case give the same dedication he did to the clients we had in the past to my case. He was brilliant during the trial and won the respect of the judge as well as the hearts of the jurors. He won a very tough case in an extremely tough county. He is top-notch, and I am extremely grateful and honored not only have had him as an attorney and colleague but also call him a friend. You won't go wrong with Case!"

—Frances P.



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LESSONS WE CAN LEARN FROM MR. ROGERS

How the Television Star Shaped Childhoods

Fred Rogers may have passed away in 2003, but the world he created remains with us. In 2018, “Won’t You Be My Neighbor?” documented his life and outlook, and in 2019, “A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood” depicted Rogers and the journalist whose life was changed by the star of “Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood.”

These movies demonstrate that we’re still fascinated with the man behind Daniel Tiger and King Friday. Why? In part because the lessons Rogers so thoughtfully depicted are as relevant for today’s generation as they were for those who grew up watching his show.

IMAGINATIVE PLAY IS A FOUNDATION OF CHILDHOOD.

“Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children, play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood,” Rogers said. Rogers knew that play, which can seem inconsequential to grown-ups, is an important part of childhood development. Imaginative play allows children to step outside of their own perspective and experience another. In the process, they engage in abstract thinking and expand their universe. Mr. Rogers encouraged viewers to use their imaginations by creating a fantastical world called the Neighborhood of Make-Believe.

WE ALL DESERVE TO BE LOVED.

Rogers knew that not everyone has someone at home who tells them that they are special and loved. So he took it upon himself to tell viewers, ending each episode of “Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood” by saying, “You’ve made this day a special day by just your being you.”

FEELINGS ARE MENTIONABLE AND MANAGEABLE.

Rogers helped viewers understand that it’s okay to feel mad, sad, and scared, and he helped countless children learn healthy ways to cope with tough emotions. This was a mission dear to his heart. Margaret McFarland, a child psychologist at the University of Pittsburgh who became the chief psychological consultant for “Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood,” shared with Rogers the concept he turned to again and again on the show: “Anything that’s human is mentionable, and whatever is mentionable can be more manageable.”

You can explore more of Mr. Rogers’ enduring messages at MisterRogers.org. Share “Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood” with your children and show them a world where they can grow, learn, and play.

