



Family Law

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YOUR EX DOES!

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You are truly caught in a hard place. In a perfect world, both parents would contribute equally to the cost of regular clothing and inside shoes. You are not saying so, but it sounds like your ex is not buying new inside clothes and shoes, or not purchasing items of similar quality to yours.

Unfortunately, in many cases the good new clothing disappears into a “black hole”, never to return, and forcing the other parent to pay twice to outfit the children.

One solution is to stick to your guns with the inside clothing staying

at your place – but you can see that this upsets the children. From the children’s point of view they want to use their nice stuff, no matter which parent they are with.

Another solution is to take the high road. The truth of the matter is that the happiness of your children is the most important thing, and down the road your children will remember that you did the right thing. Your relationship with them as adults will be that much stronger for it.

Wishing you a safe and prosperous 2018 from your friends at Shank Law.



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My wife and I have a separation agreement which provides that we proportionally share the costs of the children’s outside clothes; I’m OK with this. Recently, my ex told the kids that I am a cheapskate because I insisted that the children’s inside shoes and other clothes that I have paid for, stay. Otherwise they don’t come back. Now the kids are upset with me. Help!



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