



Family Law

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YOUR EX DOES!

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First, child support is the right of the child, and the non-residential parent is required to pay support. The gender of the non-residential parent is irrelevant; being female doesn't release you from the obligation to pay child support for a child who is living with the other parent.

Child support is in place so that both parents contribute to the child's standard of living. However, the amount of child support payable is directly related to the income of the Payor; if your ex earns much less than you, her child support obligation would be much less. Assuming that you and your ex have exchanged last year's income tax returns and notices of assessment, you know what she earns.

Go to mysupportcalculator.ca

and it will tell you the amount she should be paying per month in child support.

Should you continue having difficulty in collecting child support from your ex, I encourage you to send an email or text confirming her income and the amount of child support she owes per month. Should she still persist in not paying it all or paying too little according to the child support table, I urge you to seek out the assistance of a family lawyer who can help you obtain an Order from the Court which will assist you with enforcement from the Family Responsibility Office, among other benefits.

Your friends at Shank Law.



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LAWYER

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I always paid child support to my ex when our daughter lived with her. Now our daughter is living with me, and my ex doesn't want to pay child support. When she pays, she pays much less than I did. This can't be right! What can I do about this?



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