

## **Perkins Coie Mentioned in The Imprint—Lawsuit Alleges End-to-End Failures in Alaska’s Child Welfare System**

Perkins Coie was mentioned in "[Lawsuit Alleges End-to-End Failures in Alaska's Child Welfare System](#)," an article in *The Imprint* regarding Perkins Coie's partnership with A Better Childhood, The Disability Law Center, and Northern Justice Project to bring a classaction lawsuit against the state Department of Health and Human Services to protect Alaska children from systemic failures in the foster care system.

The Northern Justice Project, Alaska Disability Project and the law firm Perkins Coie joined A Better Childhood in representing the plaintiffs, which include 13 children from four families.

The lawsuit outlines a litany of problems in the state's child welfare continuum, beginning with alleging a failure to regularly make reasonable efforts to prevent removal. Three of the young plaintiffs were removed from their mother after she was evicted by her landlord. OCS did not help the children's mom find housing or services before removing them, the lawsuit alleges.

[Read the full article on \*The Imprint\*.](#)