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Court order enforces \$50,000 maintenance payment to struggling dad

In a divorce, one spouse can be ordered to pay the other maintenance, which was formerly called alimony, especially if one earns a significantly higher income than the other.

The Law Offices of Jeffery M. Leving Ltd., based in Chicago, recently represented a dad whose wife had a high-powered job, and in their divorce, she was ordered to pay him several thousand dollars a month as maintenance. A few months after the divorce was finalized, she stopped paying. According to court documents, she quit her job and moved to California, to an unknown location.

Renowned divorce attorney Jeffery M. Leving, founder and president of the firm, believes the wife's disappearance was intentional, to evade this support obligation. An arrearage of \$50,000 built up.

Leving will talk about this case on his weekly radio show, the Dads' Rights Legal Hour, 9-10 a.m. CST Saturday, Jan. 14 on Power 92.3 FM in Chicago.

"At one point, Dad was struggling to support himself, so he called us for help," Leving says. "My private detective located the adverse party, and we hauled her into court."

The Leving legal team developed a strong case by subpoenaing records from the ex-wife's former employer. They presented the evidence to the judge, and won. The judge found the ex-wife in civil contempt, and ordered her to pay the full maintenance arrearage within 30 days.

"I'm pleased that this result, modified for broadcast, relieves this dad from financial stress," Leving says. "He had every right to depend on this support, and now he'll be receiving it."

*Jeffery M. Leving is founder and president of the [Law Offices of Jeffery M. Leving Ltd.](#), and is a strong advocate. He is the author of *Fathers' Rights, Divorce Wars and How to be a Good Divorced Dad*, the latter of which was endorsed by President Obama and by Cardinal Francis E. George, then the archbishop of Chicago. To learn more about Leving and his latest court victories, follow him on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#), and view his videos on [YouTube](#).*

