

Miller Family-Closing Summary

The Miller family was referred to the agency after an anonymous report raised concerns for the welfare of John Miller. John Miller was later placed in an agency approved foster home while his family worked on their issues. Mr. and Mrs. Miller obviously didn't care for this caseworker and I felt that they were difficult to work with too. They showed no respect for the authority of this agency throughout their involvement with the agency.

He didn't think foster care was a good experience.

Mr. Miller successfully completed an alcohol evaluation and has begun treatment at The Alcoholic's Counseling Center (TACS). TACS counselor, Joe Smith has been in communication with this worker and has found Mr. Miller to be doing well in treatment.

The agency filed an indicated abuse report naming Mr. Miller as perpetrator as he broke a rib on his son John. Mr. Miller was arrested for the incident and is still awaiting trial. He will most likely receive 2-three years probation.

During this worker's meetings with John, he appeared anxious. John had trouble maintaining eye contact and often got up from his seat and paced while we spoke. John told me meeting with him made him nervous. He expressed that it was his fault that everything happened the way it did and he didn't like meeting with me for fear he would get someone in trouble.

While in foster care, John stayed in the Nice foster home. They have a swimming pool.

John returned home from foster care 9 months after his original placement. At that time, Mr. and Mrs. Miller had completed all of the objectives listed on their plan. John has been home for six months now and things are stable in the home.

John's school work has been greatly improved since returning home compared to his work while in foster care. His attendance has been perfect and he has gotten all A's and B's on his report card for the last two marking periods. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have attributed that improvement to their being more interested in John's schoolwork and their hiring of a tutor to assist John after school.

After missing three of our first four scheduled appointments, the Millers have not missed an appointment since John has returned home six months ago.

Since John's placement, the Millers have cooperated with the agency's imposed safety plans that included supervised visits for Mr. Miller. Since John has been home, the safety plan has included Mr. Miller and John never being home alone, Mr. Miller being in treatment, and John knowing to call the police or go to his neighbors if he felt threatened. As all of the family service plan objectives have been completed, John is considered safe at home.