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MEDIA ADVISORY– FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**SPECIAL SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON CHILD CUSTODY ISSUES HOLDS
PUBLIC HEARING IN SPRINGFIELD**

WHO: Supreme Court of Illinois – Special Supreme Court Committee on Child Custody Issues

WHAT: Public hearing is being held by the Special Supreme Court Committee. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain comments in order to help identify ways to improve the process of resolving disputed child custody matters. The goal is to identify practices and procedures that will ensure custody determinations are timely and consistent with the best interests of the child.

Among those scheduled to testify at the public hearing are: George Boyle from Prairie State Legal Services; Michael Kerr from the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; Cheryl Howard from the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence; William J. Scott, Jr., from the Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; and several private citizens.

WHEN: Friday, March 28, 2003 – 10 a.m.

WHERE: Illinois Authors Room – Illinois State Library – 300 S. Second Street, Springfield