



Amicus Brief: NASW and 19 Chapters Including NASW-NYC, Oppose Final Rule

We are writing to inform you that as part of a coalition of organizations dedicated to protecting the health and welfare of all children, The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) signed an amicus brief filed by Arent Fox LLP in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California in support of the Plaintiff in *Jenny Lisette Flores, et al., v. William Barr, Attorney General of the United States, et al.* The brief opposes the Trump Administration's Final Rule overturning protections guaranteed to immigrant children under the Flores Settlement Agreement (FSA). NASW has released a statement announcing our support of the brief. It includes comments from NASW CEO Angelo McClain calling the policy "reprehensible and traumatic" to children. The statement was sent to more than 500 reporters around the nation. The following Chapters, in particular, support the position of their attorneys general in this lawsuit: NASW-CA, NASW-MA, NASW-CT, NASW-DE, NASW-DC, NASW-IL, NASW-ME, NASW-MD, NASW-MI, NASW-MN, NASW-NV, NASW-NJ, NASW-NM, NASW-NYS, **NASW-NYC**, NASW-OR, NASW-PA, NASW-RI, NASW-VT, NASW-VA, and NASW-WA.

[Link to NASW press release is here](#)

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To get involved, please see NASW Social Work Blog post that contains resources for social workers:

<http://www.socialworkblog.org/advocacy/2018/06/how-to-volunteer-to-help-immigrant-children-separated-from-family/>.

To learn more and be more involved with NASW-NYC locally, please reach out to our [Immigration & Global Social Work Committee](#).



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