

# The FACTS about the child discipline philosophy of John Lloyd Wilkenson

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In my immediate family, there are five siblings. In order of age they are: John Raymond Wilkenson (the eldest, born August 31, 1944), then Anita Lea Baillie (née Wilkenson, born August 20, 1946), then David Earl Wilkenson (born November 24, 1952), then Daniel Allen Wilkenson (born September 11, 1954), and the youngest, Susan Marie Withrow (née Wilkenson, born December 6, 1956).

During the course of a hideously acrimonious divorce between David and his dangerously disordered and chronic drunk driving alcoholic ex-wife, Johannah Clare Wilkenson (born , née Taylor), Anita and Daniel took it upon themselves to meddle in affairs which were none of their business, and about which they knew nothing, and tell the criminally defamatory lie – falsely reporting to the Mesa County Department of Human Services (MCDHS) that Mom (Mildred Beryl Wilkenson, née Baughman) and Dad were physically abusive to us when we were children. Additionally, Anita made the criminally defamatory accusation that Dad had sexually abused her. These are bald-faced lies, and the bald faced liars have never made the slightest attempt to shoulder the burden of proof for those lies with any clearly articulated specific facts.

Mom had nine siblings and Dad had three sisters. Not one person in the extended family could (or even wanted to) corroborate Anita and Dan's lies about Mom and Dad. The lies were simply that: lies told in the form of criminally conspiratorial (C.R.S. §18-2-201) criminal defamation (C.R.S. §18-13-105) and criminal false reporting (C.R.S. §18-8-111) to the MCDHS in a wannabe-clever effort to secretly “tweak” the government players against David in his divorce case.

One of Mom's nursing colleagues/friends told Mom that if one of her kids lied about her like that, she would disinherit them in a heartbeat.

The unvarnished WHOLE truth is that mom and dad did believe in spanking children when deemed necessary by the parents for good cause.

The spanking “tool” of choice was a piece of old black conveyor belt about 2” wide by 16” long by about 1/4” thick. When applied vigorously it did sting sufficiently to serve as an effective disincentive to earning more spankings.

All spankings consisted of between 1 and 5 swats, and were applied exclusively to the fully clothed buttocks of the child. The most common causes of spanking were 1) lying and 2) failure to do some chore as ordered. We didn't actually receive all that many spankings – maybe one or two per year each. More to the point, Daniel, as dad's “favorite son”, received less corporal punishment than the other siblings. Most spankings Daniel received consisted of only two swats. If memory serves, Daniel only received one or two 4-swat spankings, while the other siblings received a few 5-swat spankings. The rest of the few spankings Dan received while growing up consisted of 1-2 swats

In Anita's defense, there was one minor anomalous incident in 1951 in Roodepoort, South Africa (a suburb of Johannesburg), where my parents were stationed as missionaries, which Anita has always

resented. David had not yet been born. When Anita and I were about 6 and 4, we insisted on playing with matches while Mom and Dad were gone from the house. We had great fun lighting matches. We would “hide” the spent matches behind the kitchen stove. Our “fun” was discovered when Mom decided to clean behind the stove. Out of sheer desperation, Dad held out one of our index fingers and held a lit match under it until we cried. In addition, we were also given an ordinary spanking of a few swats. (I don't remember how many, but not more than 4 or 5 on the clothed buttocks.) This “tough love” punishment resulted in a small 2<sup>nd</sup> degree blister on the index finger about 1/4” in diameter. Anita never forgot or forgave Dad, but we did stop playing with matches, so the discipline worked.

To Anita's detriment, during Dave's acrimonious divorce case from his ex-wife, Johannah Clare Wilkenson, (née Taylor), Anita tried to call Johannah's first ex-husband, Paul Sowerby at work, to spin him against Dave. Paul didn't take the call. See P 30 L 2 through P 31 L 9 of Paul Sowerby's 180-page deposition at <http://bit.ly/1Os3BRl>.

There is NO WAY Mom and Dad's child disciplining philosophies were “abusive” by the common reasonable standards of their day and time.

Many religious parents in our folks' day (40s and 50s) used to like to quote Proverbs 22:15 (KJV) “Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.” Many intellectually lazy parents of that day didn't realize that “rod” is a biblical metaphor for “correction”. They incorrectly thought a “rod” of some sort WAS the biblical “correction”. Despite the fact my Dad was among that group, the infrequent spankings he administered to his kids were absolutely non-abusive by the standards of that day.

After Anita and Dan's criminal conspiracy, defamation, and false reporting to MCDHS, I followed the EXACT procedure outlined in Matthew 18:15-17. First, I went to Dan alone and was scoffed at ostensibly because, being seriously damaged by inherently evil and inevitably-corrupting human politics, he thought he had the “politics” in his church under control. Next I went to Dan with Mom and Dad and tried to discuss the issue with him in front of them, and was again scoffed at. Right in front of Dad, Dan said, “I don't think you would want to discuss Dad's child-discipline philosophy in public.” Dad just sat there with a silly little grin on his face, seemingly oblivious to Dan's total disrespect and ingratitude toward our parents. So, per Mt 18:17, I wrote a “Common Sense” pamphlet (see at <http://johnwilkenson.com/files/Common%20Sense.pdf>) and distributed it to the membership of Liberty Baptist Church (LBC), which eventually resulted in the LBC firing Dan as their pastor. The membership at LBC eventually had their fill of Dan's wannabe-clever “politicking”. Some of them apologized to David and me later for not believing us sooner.

At Dad's funeral, Dave walked up to Dan and offered to bury the hatchet. Dan refused, saying something to the effect that he'd rather stay bitter and unforgiving.

Anita hates my guts for outing her in front of Dad. For years she had pretended that Dad behaved inappropriately towards her in some way at some point in time. I finally got tired of her manipulative crap and called her on it in front of Dad. I wanted to know the truth. Anita refused to confront Dad in front of me. Instead, she stomped out of our parents' house furious with me. She has never forgiven me. Her behavior has never been that of a genuine victim of sexual “abuse” or rape. It has always been comprised of cutesy innuendo and 100% devoid of specific facts.

So our family has remained estranged to this day.

Scripture verses applicable to this situation include Proverbs 28:23, Luke 17:3, and 1 Thes 5:21.

In my opinion, Johannah Wilkenson, David's dangerously disordered, domestically violent and chronic drunk driving ex-wife, took advantage of Anita's unfortunate proclivity for lying and meddling in the affairs of others. While hiding her own family's history and her own personal record of mental problems, Johannah perceives herself as clever and tries to pretend she knows something about my family. She once threatened my life and has cyberstalked me for years. (See my aggregation of some of her unwanted nasty emails at <http://bit.ly/1GFye4I>.) I wish she would go hump somebody else's leg for awhile. Not wanting to hear anything from her or about her, I want only to be let alone by her.