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Cuff v. Grossmont Union High School District

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Mother of two public high school students brought action against school counselor and school district for invasion of privacy after school counselor's provided a copy of her mandatory report of suspected child abuse by mother to the suspected victims' father.

The Court of Appeal held that:

- Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA) did not immunize counselor's alleged act of giving child abuse report to the suspected victims' father;
- Statute authorizing release of pupil records in an emergency did not immunize counselor's alleged act of giving child abuse report to the suspected victims' father; and
- Immunity statute for public employees' exercises of discretion did not immunize counselor's alleged act of giving child abuse report to the suspected victims' father.

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