

(a) In any juvenile cause, the judge may award a judgment in favor of a wronged person and against a parent for acts of willful or malicious destruction or theft of any property owned by the wronged person, or any medical expenses incurred by an injured person willfully or maliciously caused or committed by the child of that parent [who is under 18 years of age].

REVISOR'S NOTE: The phrase "who is under 18 years of age" is proposed for deletion as unnecessary in light of the definition of "child" in §3-801(e).

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(A) [When used in] IN this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(B)[(a)] "Adult" means a person 18 years old or older.

(C)[(b)] "Child" means a person under the age of 18 years who is subject to the jurisdiction of the court.

(D)[(c)] "Child in need of supervision" means a child who:

(1) Is required by law to attend school and who is habitually truant from school;

(2) Is habitually disobedient, ungovernable, and beyond control of the person having custody of him, without substantial fault on the part of that person;

(3) Deserts his home or place of abode, without just cause or consent;

(4) Departs himself so as to injure or endanger himself or others; or

(5) Commits an offense applicable only to children.

(E) [(d)] "Court" means the district court for Montgomery County sitting as a juvenile court.

(F)[(e)] "Delinquent child" means a child who violates a law or ordinance of the State or county, or who commits an act which would be a crime if committed by an adult.

(G)[(f)] "Dependent" or "neglected child" means a child who is:

(1) Destitute, homeless, abandoned;