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# PIRRO'S 'FAMILY' PAL

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Jeanine Pirro, the Republican candidate for state attorney general, found herself standing next to a liberal Democratic candidate for Congress yesterday at a City Hall press conference to denounce alleged discrimination against mothers in Family Court.

“The issue is simply about mothers losing their children because they had the audacity to either pass on information or report that their child may have been sexually abused,” Pirro said.

Joining Pirro was Chris Owens, who is looking to assume his father’s Brooklyn seat in the House, City Councilwoman Letitia James and Amy Neustein, who has been waging a two-decade battle to reform the Family Court system. Owens said the issue cuts across political lines.

Afterward, Owens aides handed out leaflets that included calls to “Stop Bush” and “Out of Iraq – Now.”

Gov. Pataki and Mayor Bloomberg have yet to endorse an AG candidate.

“I am confident that at the end of the day, we will have the support of both of them, and I look forward to continuing to reach out to people throughout the state,” she said.