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EDUCATION

The University of Denver, Denver, Colorado
School of Professional Psychology
Doctorate in Psychology, 1991 (Specialty Tool: Assessment)

The University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado
Master of Arts in Agency Counseling, 1986

The University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, 1979

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Clinical Practice: Approach to treatment is pragmatic and focused on solutions to presenting problems, primarily drawing on psychodynamic and cognitive theory. Specialty areas are: high risk adolescents and families; issues having to do with dissolution of marriage and/or step-parenting; phase of life problems for adults; eating disorders; identity issues; physical and sexual abuse of children and adults; trauma; and financial therapy.

Forensic Psychology: Approach to evaluation and expert witness testimony is based on scientific and objective fact finding and interpretation. Specialty areas include parenting rights and responsibility evaluations, dispositional evaluations for juvenile criminal cases; psychological evaluations of adults, adolescents and children; fitness to parent evaluations; personal injury evaluations including sexual harassment; independent medical evaluations; all aspects of criminal cases including competence, NGI, and mitigation; mitigation rebuttal for prosecution; expert witness testimony for prosecution and defense regarding physical and sexual abuse; consultation to attorneys regarding civil and criminal cases.

Teaching and Training:

2000-present: Adjunct professor at the University of Denver Graduate School of Psychology. Courses include Criminal Evaluation (2004) and Cognitive Assessment (2000); supervision of doctoral level students in therapy and assessment cases; guest lecturer in assessment seminar. Guest lecturer on subjects of malingering, Rorschach overview, and legal testimony in child sexual abuse cases.

1992-1997: Individual Course Consultant at Regis College *University Without Walls* masters degree in counseling program.

1992-1998: Staff training for juvenile treatment and detention facilities including topics such as: suicide assessment prevention, intervention; understanding and using psychological evaluations; treatment planning with the DSM-IV, basic counseling skills; professional boundaries and professional identity; group therapy; treatment of physical, emotional, and sexual abuse

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

- An Ethical Dilemma Masquerading as a State Statute”, Monitor, Colorado Psychological Association, October 2002.
- “Choosing an Expert - Psychologist or Psychiatrist”, Trial Talk, Colorado Trial Lawyers Association, February 1997, Vol. 46, Issue 2.
- Doctoral Thesis: Developmental Considerations in Planning Treatment for Latency Age Children of Divorce, The University of Denver, 1991.i
- Interviewer/Rater on Doctoral Thesis: Levels of Ego Development , The University of Colorado, 1978-1979.

PRESENTATIONS

- What You Don’t Know Could Frustrate You – Understanding Mental Health Diagnoses. Colorado Bench and Bar Family Institute. Breckenridge, Colorado. August 2005.
- Evaluating Child Sexual Abuse Allegations in the Context of a Parenting Rights and Responsibilities Evaluations. Colorado Bench and Bar Family Institute. Steamboat Springs, Colorado. August 2004.
- Choosing and Using a Mental Health Expert. Presented to Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, Colorado Springs, Colorado, September 9, 1999
- Introduction to Mental Health Issues. Presented at Colorado Capital Case Training Program, Vail, CO, June 12, 1999.
- Potential Effects of Divorce on School Age Children Presented to Boulder Interdisciplinary Committee on Child Custody. January 7, 1994
- Adolescent Risk Injury Prevention Sponsored by Division of Youth Services. 1994
- Motivation and Discipline of Employees Presented at Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police Supervisory Institute, Golden, CO. September 22, 1993
- Phobias - Causes and Treatment. Presented at Cherry Creek Community Conference. March 10, 1989.
- The Changing Family” Presented at Canadian-American Medical Dental Association, Aspen CO, March 4, 1988.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Private Practice in Denver, Colorado 1991 to Present: Over 6000 hours of civil and criminal forensic experience; Outpatient psychotherapy; Contract service provider to various agencies:

- Adams County Department of Social Services
- Adams County Adult Probation Department
- Arapahoe County District Attorneys Office
- Arapahoe County Juvenile Probation Department
- Arapahoe County Public Defenders Office
- Devereaux-Cleo Wallace Center
- Colorado Youthful Offender System
- Denver Children’s Home
- Denver County Department of Social Services
- Denver Victims Service Center
- Denver Women’s Center
- Denver Juvenile Courts
- Division of Youth Services (State of Colorado)
- Jefferson County Social Services
- Routt County Probation Department
- Summit County Department of Social Services

Field Placement and Internships 1987 to 1991

- University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Texas
- Cleo Wallace Center
- Arapahoe Mental Health Center
- Willow Creek Elementary School
- Colorado Boys Ranch

Individual, Family, and Milieu Therapy for Adolescents 1982-1986

- Excelsior Youth Center
- Adams County Adolescent Day Treatment Center
- Moffat County Youth Care Center
- Denver Children's Home

- PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONSUniversity of Denver School of Professional Psychology, Adjunct Faculty
- American Psychology Law Society
- American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children
- Colorado Psychological Association
- Metropolitan Denver Interdisciplinary Committee for Child Custody
- Association of Family and Conciliatory Courts

COLORADO PSYCHOLOGY LICENSE NUMBER 1733

Continuing Education

- 4/19/92 Scientific Method and Custody Evaluation. Presented by Bob LaCrosse, Ph.D. Sponsored by Boulder Interdisciplinary Committee on Child Custody. 4 Hours.
- 10/93 Trauma in Childhood - Treatment Implications. Presented by Ted Gaensbauer, M.D. & David Stevens, Ph.D. Sponsored by The Denver Psychanalytic Society. 6 Hours.
- 2/18/94 Custody Evaluation Procedures. Presented by Bob La Crosse, Ph.D. Sponsored by the University of Denver School of Professional Psychology. 4 Hours.
- 4/29/94 Difficult Clients in Custody Evaluations. Presented by Leona Kopetski, LCSW . Sponsored by the University of Denver School of Professional Psychology. 4 Hours.
- 10/14/94 Psychological Testing of Multiple Personality Disorders. Presented by Rich Mangel, Psy.D. Sponsored by Colorado Psychologists in Private Practice. 1 Hour.
- 10/7 - 10/9/94 18th Annual Child Custody Conference. Sponsored by Continuing Legal Education in Colorado, Inc. Cosponsored by Metropolitan Denver Interdisciplinary Committee on Child Custody and CBA Family Law Section. 10 Hours.
- 11/18/94 **Ethics of Forensic Practice: Law, Ethics, and Professional Practice. Presented by Stephen Golding, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 Hours.**
- 11/19/94 **Conducting Ethical, Competent Child Custody Evaluations. Presented by Sherry Skidmore, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 hours.**
- 1/20/95 **Diagnostic and Structured Interviewing: Applications to Forensic Evaluations. Presented by Richard Rogers, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 Hours.**
- 1/21/95 **Criminal Forensic Assessment: Exculpatory and Mitigating Defenses. Presented by Charles P. Ewing, Ph.D., J.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 Hours.**
- 3/23/96 **The Role of Psychologists in Death Penalty Litigation. Presented by Sandra McPherson, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 Hours.**
- 3/24/95 **MMPI and Rorschach in Court. Presented by Reid Meloy, Ph.D. and Richard Lewak, Ph.D. Sponsored by American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 Hours.**
- 5/11/96 Current Legal Issues in Investigating and Litigating Child Sexual Abuse. Presented by John B. Myers, J.D. Sponsored by Jefferson County Center for Child Advocacy. 4 Hours.
- 12/4/96 The Psychopathic Personality. Presented by Reid Meloy, Ph.D. Sponsored by Specialized Training Services. 7 Hours.

- 2/16,17/97 Personal Injury Evaluations. Presented by Stewart Greenberg, Ph.D. Sponsored by The American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 12 Hours.**
- 2/13/98 Psychobiology of Trauma. Presented by Steve Allen, M.D. Sponsored by the University of Denver School of Professional Psychology. 4 Hours.
- 2/21/98 Advanced and Intermediate Forensic Topics. Presented by Robert Meyer, Ph.D. Sponsored by American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 Hours.**
- 2/22/98 Forensic Assessment of Sexual Harassment In The Workplace. Presented by Herbert Weissman, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 6 Hours.**
- 5/22/98 The Magic and Distortion of Affairs. Presented by Dr. Loudis and Dr. Watson. Sponsored by University of Denver School of Professional Psychology. 4 Hours.
- 9/25-9/27/98 22nd Annual Child Custody Conference: Parental Responsibility, Colorado's New "Custody" Law. Sponsored by the Continuing Legal Education in Colorado, Inc. and the Metropolitan Denver Interdisciplinary Committee on Child Custody. Breckenridge, Colorado. 10 Hours.
- 10/9/98 Attachment Theory, Neurobiology, and the Psychotherapeutic Process. Presented by Betsy Rubin, Ph.D. Sponsored by the University of Denver School of Professional Psychology. 6 Hours.
- 11/14/98 Evaluating Parenting and Allegations of Child Abuse. Presented by Lois Oberlander, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 7 Hours.**
- 11/15/98 Preparation for the Diplomate Examination in Forensic Psychology. Presented by David Shapiro, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. 7 Hours.**
- 5/13/99 Violence Risk and Threat Assessment. Presented by Reid Meloy, Ph.D. Sponsored by Specialized Training Services. 7 Hours.
- 8/26/99 National Summit on Violence; Denver, Colorado. Multiple Presenters. 7 Hours.
- 9/18-19/99 23rd Annual Child Custody Conference: Children and Divorce. Sponsored by the Continuing Legal Education in Colorado, Inc. and the Metropolitan Denver Interdisciplinary Committee on Child Custody. Breckenridge, Colorado. 8 Hours.
- 11/5/99 Excusing and The New Excuses. Presented by Stephen Morse, J.D., Ph.D. Chicago, Illinois. Sponsored by the American Board of Forensic Psychology. 7 Hours.**
- 11/6/99 Forensic Evaluation of Child Sexual Abuse Allegations. Presented by Dr. H.D. Kirkpatrick. Chicago, Illinois. Sponsored by the American Board of Forensic Psychology. 4 Hours.**
- 5/19/2000 Healing the Helping Heart. Presented by Betsy Rubin, Ph.D. Sponsored by the

University of Denver Graduate School of Professional Psychology. 4 Hours.

- 2/23, 2/24/2001 Three Views of Traumatic Stress: Applied Neuroscience and Clinical Practice. Presented by Bessel van der Kolk, M.D. Sponsored by Advanced Therapeutics. 14 Hours.
- 5/4, 5/5/2001 Challenging Conventional Wisdom on Divorce, Parenting Time and Removal. Presented by the Colorado State Interdisciplinary Committee. 10 Hours.
- 6/14/2001 Assessment Training with Dr. Robert Prentky; Juvenile Sex Offender Standards Training Series. Sponsored by the Colorado Sex Offender Management Board - Office of Domestic Violence & Sex Offender Management. 3 Hours.
- 8/12/01 "Rethinking Alienation: A practical Guide for Legal and Mental Health Professionals. Presented by the Colorado Interdisciplinary Committee. 7 Hours.
- 10/19/2002 "Legal and Ethical Risks and Risk Management in Professional Psychological Practice." Sponsored by The American Psychological Association Insurance Trust. 6 Hours.
- 2/17/03 Trauma: Mind and Body – Memory, Mastery and the Sense of Self. Presented by Bessel van der Kolk, M.D. and Pat Ogden, Ph.D. 3 Hours
- 10/23-35,2003 **Advanced Intensive Forensic Workshop: Juvenile Justice Issues, Mens Rae Assessments, Miranda Waivers, Death Penalty Assessments, Personal Injury Evaluations, Testimonial Jurisprudence, Child Custody and Termination of Parental Rights, Testamentary Capacity, Employment Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, ADA, Sex Offender Risk Assessment, Violence Risk Assessment. Presenters: Randy Otto, Ph.D., Alan Goldstein, Ph.D., Mary Connell, Ed.D., Stuart Greenberg, Ph.D., Bill Foote, Ph.D. Sponsored by the American Board of Forensic Psychology. 24 Hours.**
- 8/6-8/8/04 Colorado Bench and Bar - Family Law Institute. Steamboat Springs, Colorado. 12 hours.
- 1/7-2/4/05 "Attachment: Foundations and Frontiers" Presented by the Denver Psychoanalytic Society. Rex McGehee, M.D. 3.5 hours
- 5/5-5/7/05 "The New Frontier of Dispute Resolution: Dangerous Liaisons and the Death of Due Process." Sponsored by the State of Colorado Interdisciplinary Committee and the Colorado Chapter – American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. Breckenridge, Colorado 12.5 hours.
- 11/04/06 "Colorado Divorce: Best Interest of Children." Sponsored by Colorado Legal Education. Denver, Colorado. 6.5 hours.
- 11/10-12/07 Family Law Institute. Sponsored by Colorado Legal Education. Breckenridge, Colorado. 12 hours.
- 11/27-28/07 "Violence Risk and Threat Assessment." Dr. Reid Meloy. Denver, Colorado. 10.5 hours
- 12/6/07 "Treating Compulsive Sexual Behaviors." Dr. Paul Simpson. Denver, Colorado. 6 hours.

- 1/11/08 “Evaluators Under Fire: The Limits of Conclusions and Recommendations – A Critical Discussion of the Limitations and Value of CFI and APR Recommendations and Evaluations.” Sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. 4 hours.
- 4/2/10/14/08 Sponsored by the Colorado Legal Education. 1 hour.
- 9/4/08 “Psychopharmacology.” Sponsored by PESI, LLC. 6 hrs.
- 1/31/09 “An Introduction to Therapeutic Assessment: Using Psychological Testing as Brief Psychotherapy.” Dr. Stephen Finn. 6 hours.
- 2/6, 7, 8/09 “How Therapeutic Society, the Journal for Personality Assessment Helps Clients Access Split-off Affects, and Heal Shame.” Dr. Stephen Finn. 16 hours.
- 3/6/09 “Expertise, Ethics, and Helpfulness to the Court: Promises and Perils in the Role the University of CFI.” Dr. Bill Austin and Dr. Jonathan Gould. 6 hours.
- 4/2/2010 “Response to Intervention for Psychologists.” Presented by the Society for Personality Assessment, Colorado Assessment society, and the University of Denver Graduate School of Professional Psychology. 4 hours.
- 6/2-6/5/10 47th Annual Conference of Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. “Traversing the Trail of Alienation.” Denver, Colorado. 16 hours.
- 12/15/10 Collaborative Law Level One Training. Sponsored by Colorado Collaborative Law Association. 6 hours.
- 8/8-8/9,2011 Purposeful Planning Institute Rendezvous. Denver, Colorado. 15 hours.
- 9/8/2011 Future Think: Be Prepared. 2011 Financial Planning Symposium. Colorado Financial Planning Association. Denver, Colorado. 6 hours.

Ongoing attendee at monthly Metropolitan Denver Interdisciplinary Committee Luncheons
 Ongoing attendee at quarterly Rorschach seminars with Dr. Irv Weiner