



PSYCHOLOGICAL CENTER
for Expert Evaluations, Inc.

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Licensed Psychologist #PY8460
Practice Limited to Clinical & Forensic Psychology

Licensure

2011 **Florida Licensed Psychologist**
License #: PY8460, Expires May 31, 2016

Education

2010 **Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)**
Clinical Psychology, Forensic Concentration
Carlos Albizu University, Miami
(Formerly Miami Institute of Psychology)
APA Approved Doctoral Program

2005 **Master's of Science (M.S.)**
Clinical Psychology, Forensic
Concentration Carlos Albizu University,
Miami, FL (Formerly Miami Institute of
Psychology)

2003 **Bachelor's of Arts (B.A.), Psychology**
University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL

State Expert Qualifications

2010-Present Florida: Qualified Expert Witness (Daubert)

2014-Present Maryland: Qualified Expert Witness (Frye Reed)

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Professional Employment

- 2012-Present **Psychological Center for Expert Evaluations, Inc.**
Forensic Psychology Practice, Palm Beach Gardens, FL
Owner/President: Specialization in family law matters, providing:
- Child Custody and Parenting Evaluations (Social Investigations)
- Focus on Balanced, Unbiased Procedures
 - Research Informed Recommendations
 - Guided by APA and AFCC Standards
- Child Custody Litigation Consultation
- Behind-The-Scenes Mental Health Consulting
 - Disclosed Expert for Court Testimony
 - Work Product Reviews/Rebuttal Witness Testimony
 - Mental Health Cross Examination Question Development
- Psychological Evaluations
- Ordered by Family Court or Dependency Court
 - Adult/Child Psychological Evaluations
- Counseling & Therapeutic Services
- Individual Therapy
 - Reunification Therapy
 - Therapeutic Supervised Visitation
 - Court Involved/Court ordered cases

Current Professional Contracts & Affiliations

- 2012-Present **15th Judicial Circuit, Palm Beach County, FL**
Contracted Court Appointed Expert Witness
Included in the following Registries: Social/Home Investigations, Psychological Evaluations, Probate/Guardianship Examining Committee, Adult and Juvenile Competency Evaluations, Determination of Mental Retardation, and Developmental Disabilities Examining Committee
- 2012-Present **ChildNet**
Credentialed Provider
Approved for psychological evaluations, supervised visitation, therapeutic supervised visitation, and therapeutic services for children and adults involved with the Department of Children and Families/Child Protective Services
- 2012-Present **Justice Administrative Commission (JAC)**
Contracted Due Process Vendor
Psychological Evaluations and Expert Witness Testimony

2012-Present **Florida Department of Education/Vocational Rehabilitation**
Approved provider of psychological evaluations and therapeutic services

Previous Professional Experience

2010-2011 **C.O.R.T.E. Program, Delray Beach, FL**
Post-Doctoral Resident, Clinical/Forensic Specialist
Provided psychological evaluations for physically, mentally, and sexually abused children involved in dependency cases, parental fitness evaluations, custody evaluations, expert witness testimony, individual therapy, and group therapy for a forensic population

2009 **Highridge Family Center, West Palm Beach, FL**
Pre-Doctoral Internship, Second Rotation
Provided individual, family and group therapy in a residential facility for children and adolescents involved with, and at risk for, entering into the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

2008-2009 **Youth Service Bureau, West Palm Beach, FL**
Pre-Doctoral Internship, First Rotation
Provided court ordered psychological assessments, parent education groups and brief family therapy for individuals in a community based, outpatient setting

2006-2008 **The Chrysalis Center, Delray Beach, FL**
Primary Therapist and Psychological Examiner for physically, sexually, and mentally abused children involved in child protective services. Integrated psychological assessments were also provided to the perpetrators of abuse.

2006 **The Watershed Addiction Treatment Program, Delray Beach, FL**
Primary Therapist
Provided individual, family and group therapy to adults in a residential, dual diagnosis facility

2005-2006 **Sandy Pines Hospital, Tequesta, FL**
Primary Therapist
Provided individual, family and group therapy to children and adolescents in a residential psychiatric hospital. Children were treated for psychological disorders, often associated with exposure to sexual abuse, physical abuse, mental abuse, and traumas of attachment.

- 2005-2008 **Palm Beach County Detention Center, West Palm Beach, FL**
 Practicum Student
 Provided individual and group therapy, psychological assessments, crisis intervention and suicide risk assessments to inmates housed in the general population and psychiatric units
- 2004-2005 **Goodman Psychological Center, Miami, FL**
 Practicum Student
 Provided individual therapy, family therapy, and psychological assessments to children, adolescents and adults in an outpatient setting

Specialized Training

- 2014 **Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse in Custody Litigation: Memory and Behavior**
 Kathryn Kuehne and Pamela Ludolph
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, San Antonio, Texas
- 2014 **Case Review and Analysis: A Cost Effective Means of Custody Dispute Resolution**
 Pamela S. Ludolph and William G. Austin
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, San Antonio, Texas
- 2014 **When Child Welfare Comes Knocking**
 Judith A. Algeo and John Shanken-Kaye
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, San Antonio, Texas
- 2014 **Parenting Plans for Infants and Young Children: A Case Study Approach**
 Marsha Lline Pruett, Arnold T. Shienvold and B.F. “Biff” Pennypacker, III
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, San Antonio, Texas
- 2014 **The Activities and Roles of Consultants: How Many is too Many?**
 David A. Martindale, Milfred “Bud” Dale, Robert A. Simon, S. Margaret Lee and Robin M. Deutsch
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, San Antonio, Texas
- 2014 **The Relocation Case in Court Legal and Psychological Issues**
 Phillip M. Stahl, Michael Kretzmer and Hon. Mark Juhas
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, San Antonio, Texas
- 2014 **Examining Unintended Consequences**
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
- 2013 **Supervised Visitation: Child Sexual Abuse Training**
 Clearinghouse on Supervised Visitation at Florida State University

- 2013 **Intersection of Mental Illness and Substance Abuse**
Clearinghouse on Supervised Visitation at Florida State University
- 2013 ***Daubert* and the Mosaic of Child Custody Assessment**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Jonathan W. Gould, PhD, ABPP; Gary L. Nickelson, Esq.
and Moderator Gaetano “guy” Ferro, Esq.
- 2013 **Deconstructing the Custody Evaluator’s Report**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Pamela Sloan, Esq. and Philip M. Stall, PhD, ABPP
- 2013 **Parenting Plan Evaluations and Intimate Partner Violence**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Nancy Ver Steegh, JD, MSW and Leslie M. Drozd, PhD.
- 2013 **Challenging Psychological Testing in Custody Litigation**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Timothy M. Tippins, Esq.
- 2013 **Transparency and the Rights of Clients**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Harold A. Mayerson, Esq.; Larry Fong, PhD; Hone. Dianna
Gould-Saltman; Andrew Shepard, JD and Moderator Arnold T. Shienvold,
PhD.
- 2013 **Developing Parenting Plans that Benefit Children: Current Research
and Practice Implications**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Joan B. Kelly, PhD.
- 2013 **Cross Examining the Expert in Custody Litigation**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Timothy M. Tippins, Esq.
- 2013 **Advanced Issues in Child Custody: Evaluation, Litigation and settle-
ment**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
- 2013 **Ethics & Beyond: Sensitivity in the Performance of Evaluations in
Family Law Actions**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by David A. Martindale, Ph.D
- 2013 **Visitation: Why It’s Worth All the Effort**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by The Honorable Lynn Tepper & Mimi A. Graham, Ed.D.

- 2013 **Assessing & Differentiating Parental Gatekeeping & Alienation in Parenting Time Recommendations**
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
 Presented by William G. Austin, Ph.D
- 2013 **Who Represents the Child?**
 Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
 Presented by Angela Vigil, Esq.
- 2013 **Initial Examining Committee Member Training**
 Florida State Guardianship Association, Inc.
 Heart of Florida Chapter – FSGA
- 2010 **Florida Forensic Examiner’s Training**
 University of South Florida, Louis de la Parte, Florida Mental Health Institute Department of Mental Health and Law & Policy
 Presented by Randy K Otto, Ph.D., ABPP & Chris Slobogin, J.D., LL.M
- 2009 **New Florida Standards for the Diagnosis & Treatment of Learning Disabled Student: Response to Intervention**
 Florida Psychological Association
- 2008 **Family Violence Interventions**
 Palm Beach County Youth Affairs Division
- 2008 **Parenting Education/S.T.E.P: Trainer’s Workshop**
 Palm Beach County Youth Affairs Division
- 2006 **Young Offenders, Mental Disorders and Immaturity: Challenges for Lawyers and Mental Health Professionals**
 Presented by Dr. Thomas Grisso & Law Professor Michael Dale

Presentations Given _____

- 2011 **Disorders of Attachment and Bonding**
 Foster Children’s Project, Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County

Dissertation _____

- 2010 Tolbert, K.M., Attachment focused care: A pre-service training program for adoptive parents and foster caregivers. 2010
 Doctoral Dissertation

Volunteer/Pro Bono Activities

2013-Present **Palm Beach County Medical Society, Project Access**
Pro Bono Psychological Services, Department of Health

Professional Associations

2014-Present **Mental Health Association of Palm Beach Gardens**
Board Member

2014-Present **Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers**
Member Status

2014- Present **Florida Bar: Family Law Section**
Affiliate Member Status

2013-Present **Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC)**
Member Status

2013-Present **Supervised Visitation Network (SVN)**
Member Status

2013-Present **Society for Child and Family Policy & Practice, Division of APA**
Member Status

2013-Present **Adult Development and Aging, Division of APA**
Member Status

2012-Present **American Psychology-Law Association, Division of APA**
Member Status

2012-Present **American Psychological Association (APA)**
Member Status