

# Curriculum Vitae

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<b>GRADUATE EDUCATION:</b>	University of Tennessee, Knoxville PhD in Psychology, 1984
<b>DOCTORAL DISSERTATION:</b>	“An Examination of the Academic Achievement and Social/Emotional Adjustment of Normally Hearing Children Reared by Deaf Parents”
<b>UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION:</b>	Maryville College Maryville, Tennessee BA in Philosophy, 1975
<b>LICENSURE:</b>	Tennessee Board of Examiners of Psychology: Clinical and School Psychologist (P1043)
<b>PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:</b>	
From 10/84 to present	Private Practice Licensed Clinical and School Psychologist Family Law Forensic Psychology Knoxville & Sevierville, Tennessee
From 9/84 to present	Consulting Clinical Psychologist Tennessee School for the Deaf Medical Clinic Knoxville, Tennessee
From 10/94 to present	Consulting Clinical Psychologist Sevier County School System Sevierville, Tennessee

From 06/16 to 12/21	East Tennessee Collaborative Alliance Divorce Coach and Child Specialist Founding Member & Board of Directors Knoxville, Tennessee
From 4/86 to 12/96	Consulting Clinical Psychologist Lakeshore Mental Health Institute Knoxville, Tennessee
From 12/90 to 10/96	Chief Child Clinical Psychologist Peninsula Psychiatric Hospital Louisville, Tennessee
From 9/82 to 6/84	Certified School Psychologist Sevier County School System Sevierville, Tennessee
From 9/80 to 8/81	Clinical Psychologist, Intern University of Louisville School of Medicine Norton Children's Hospital Bingham Child Guidance Clinic Louisville, Kentucky
From 9/78 to 6/80	School Psychologist, Intern Knoxville City Schools Knoxville, Tennessee
From 6/75 to 9/80	Nationally Certified Interpreter for the Deaf
From 9/75 to 8/77	Director of Program for the Deaf Institute of Human Resources Knoxville, Tennessee
<b>PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:</b>	American Psychological Association
	American Psychology - Law Society
	Appalachian Psychoanalytic Society - Past President
	Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
	Knoxville Area Psychological Association

<b>SPECIALIZED TRAINING (Recent Continuing Education)</b>	
May 2022	Webinar 05/19/2022 presented by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), "Authentication Issues with Digital Evidence in Child Custody Cases" by Nicholas G. Himonidis, JD, CFE, CCFS, CCFI. 1 CE hr.

March 2022	Webinar 03/24/2022 presented by PAR, Inc., "Assessing Emotional Disturbance in Schools: The Emotional Disturbance Decision Tree," Presenters: Carrie Champ Morera, PsyD, and Theo Miron, PsyS. 1 CE hr.
March 2022	Webinar 03/18/2022 presented by The American Insurance Trust (Trust), "Forensic Tips for the Practicing Psychologist Roundtable," Presenters: Leisl Bryant, Ph.D., ABPP; David Shapiro, Ph.D., ABPP; and Jeffrey N. Younggren, Ph.D., ABPP. 1 CE hr.
March 2022	Webinar 03/10/2022 presented by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), "Moving Family Disputes Online" by Bernie Mayer, Ph.D. and Colin Rule. 1 CE hr.
March 2022	Seminar 03/02/2022 presented by the Knoxville Area Psychological Association (KAPA), "Issues and Updates on Tennessee Law and Rules that Govern the Practice of Psychology." 1.5 CE hrs.
January 2022	Webinar 01/20/2022 presented by the American Psychological Associate (APA), "How to Explain Testing Results to Kids," presented by Liz Angoff, Ph.D. 1 CE hr.
January 2022	Seminar on 01/15/2022 presented by the Appalachian Psychoanalytic Society (APS), A Close Reading of D. W. Winnicott's "Use of an Object." Presenters: Jack M. Barlow, Ph.D and William A. MacGillivray, Ph.D, ABPP 3 CE hrs.
January 2022	Webinar 01/10/2022 presented by The Trust: Telehealth Community Chat #14 Presenters: Margo Adams Larsen, Ph.D. and Sara Smucker Barnwell, Ph.D. 1 CE hr.
October 2021	Webinar 10/05/2021 presented by AFCC, "DE&I Webinar: Identifying and Addressing Microaggressions." 1 CE hr.
September 2021	Webinar 09/28/2021 presented by KAPA, "Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD): A Conceptual Framework and Implications for Treatment" by Monica Johnson, PsyD 1.5 CE hrs.
September 2021	Webinar 09/21-24/2021 presented by AFCC and American Association of Matrimonial Lawyers (AAML) Conference on "Advanced Issues in Child Custody: Evaluation, Litigation and Settlement. Controversies in Parenting Coordination: Bridging the Divides; Refuse/Resist Cases: Getting the Mental Health and Legal Communities to Speak the Same Language; Technology in a Covid (or Post-Covid) World: A Practical and Ethical Guide to Family Law Practice; Parenting Coordination: Who's Calling the Shots?; Direct and Cross Examination of a Child Custody Forensic Evaluator." 12.5 CE hrs.
August 2021	Webinar 08/10/2021 presented by AFCC, "Coparenting, Without Contact and Other Conundrums: Can Parties Orders of Protection Really Have Joint Custody?" Presenter:Holly Friedland and Gregory Behringer. 1 CE hr.
July 2021	Webinar 07/19/2021 presented by KAPA, "The Six Keys to Distance Therapy: Essentials of Ethical & Legal Telehealth Practice" by Terry Casey, Ph.D. 1.5 CE hrs.

July 2021	Webinar 07/14 presented by AFCC, "Interviewing Children About Sexual Abuse: What They Know and How They Tell Us." Presenter: Mindy Mitnick 1 CE hr.
July 2021	Webinar 07/07 presented by AFCC, "DE&I Webinar: Culture Specific Family Conflict: Case Application." 1CE hr.
June 2021	Webinar 06/01-3/2021 and 06/7-11/2021 AFCC 58th Annual Conference "When a Child Rejects a Parent: Are We Part of the Problem or the Solution?; Making Sense of Complicated Situations; Evaluation Basics, Ethical Issues, and Rick Management; Trauma as a Potential Distractor or Illuminator in Exploring Resist-Refuse Dynamics; The Nexus of Family Justice Disputes and Seemingly Intractable Community Conflict; Navigating the Minefield: Complaints, Lawsuits, and Other High-Conflict Hazards; "Logging Off" Isn't the Answer: Domestic Abuse, LGBTQ Victims, and the Internet; When a Child Rejects a Parent: Becoming Part of the Solution; The Wise Practitioner: Integrating Self-Care, Ethics, and Purpose; Cases Involving Severe Resist-Refuse Dynamics: A Time to Say Goodbye.For Now; Ten Things Every Family Law Professional Should Know About Sexual Abuse in Child Custody Matters; A Four-Day Single Therapist Model for Complex Family Matters; How Professionals Contribute to the Problem or the Solution of Child Rejection; Resist-Refuse and Domestic Violence Allegations: Abuse, Anxiety or Alienation?; Acting Before It's Too Late: Prudent Early Intervention in Resist-Refuse Cases; Roadblocks, Minefields, and Obstacles to Implementing Intensive Family Interventions; Managing Realistic Resistance; Connecting Court Orders with Interventions for the Rejected Parent: Ethics and Efficacy." 28.5 CE hrs.
May 2021	Webinar 05/12/21 presented by AFCC, "Deconstructing a Child Custody Evaluation for the Court" by Lawrence Braunstein, Esq. 1 CE hr.
April 2021	Webinar 04/27/2021 presented by KAPA, "Treatment of Insomnia & Related Disorders" by Keith Hulce, PhD, MSCP, ABSM 1.5 CE hrs.
April 2021	Webinar 04/10/2021 presented by APS, "The Binds that Bond: Disavowed Vulnerability in Traumatized Couples." by Ortal Kirson-Trilling, PsyD 2.0 CE hrs.
April 2021	Webinar 04/01/21 presented by the East Tennessee Collaborative Alliance (ETCA) "Tennessee Family Law Update 2020" by K. O. Herston, Esq. 1 CE hr.
March 2021	Webinar 03/11/2021 presented by the AFCC, "DE&I Webinar: Does Diversity Matter in Family Law?" 1.0 CE hr.
March 2021	Webinar 03/09/2021 presented by Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts Knoxville Bar Association (KBA), "The Ethics of a Family Law Mediator: What to do when a Lawyer Gives Bonehead Advice." 1.0 CE hr.

March 2021	Webinar 03/06/21 and 03/14/21 presented by the APS, "What Do We Know When We Know a Person?" by Mark H. Waugh, PhD. ABPP 4.0 CE hrs.
February 2021	Webinar 02/23/21 presented by KAPA, "Childhood Experiences: The importance of assessing and addressing trauma." by Caleb Corum, PhD 1.5 CE hrs.
February 2021	Webinar 02/20/2020 presented by APA, "Unrepresented States: Theory and Clinical Consequences." 2.5 CE hrs.
January 2021	Webinar 01/26/2021 presented by the AFCC, "Claims and Counterclaims in Parental Alienation Research: What's a Family Court Professional To Do?" 1.5 CE hrs.
January 2021	Webinar 01/19/2021 presented by the AFCC "Apologies in Difficult Family Situations," by Robin Deutsch, PhD 1.0 hrs.
December 2020	Webinar 12/19/2020 presented by KBA, "Mediation-Practice and Ethics Update 2020." 1 CE hr.
December 2020	Webinar 12/15/2020 presented by the AFCC, "Marsha Kline Pruett, Shared Parenting Research 2020: The Envelope Please..." 1 CE hr.
December 2020	Webinar 12/10/2020 presented by the Pearson Clinical Assessments, "An MMPI-3 Overview." 1 CE hr.
December 2020	Seminar 12/08/2020 presented by the KAPA, "Dual Law and Ethics Presentations: Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Ethics of the Board of Examiners in Psychology/Duality Happens: Ethics and Multiple Relationships in Psychological Practice." 1.5 CE hrs.
December 2020	Seminar 12/05/20 presented by the APS, "The Limits of Intimacy and the Intimacy of Limits" by Steven Cooper, PhD. 2.5 CE hrs.
November 2020	Seminar 11/21/20 presented by the APS, "Relational Engagement and Its Underbelly: A Relational Analyst Looks at Both Sides (Fall Conference, Part 2)" by Joyce Slochower, PhD. 2 CE hrs.
November 2020	Webinar 11/19/2020 presented by the AFCC, "Providing Effective Testimony for Mental Health Professional" by Mike Kretzmet, JD, CFLS, AAML 1 CE hr.
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November 2020	Seminar 11/14/20 presented by the APS, "Relational Engagement and Its Underbelly: A Relational Analyst Looks at Both Sides (Fall Conference, Part 1)" by Joyce Slochower, PhD. 2 CE hrs.

November 2020	Webinar conferences 11/09-11/13/2020 presented by the AFCC, “Encapsulated Delusion? How Do We Identify It and What Do We Do?, Parenting Coordination During Custody Litigation: Challenges and Opportunities, Affirming LGBTQ Children in Custody Matters, Thinking Differently about the Value of Collateral Information, Deception and Malingering in Child Custody Cases: Research Based Strategies, A High Conflict Case: Trauma’s Impact on Memory, Children, and the Courts” 9 CE hrs.
September 2020	Seminar 09/21/20 presented by APS, “How to Use Parallel Process in Supervision Without Falling into a Trap” by William Salton, PhD. 2 CE hrs.
September 2020	Webinar 09/16/2020 presented by AFCC, “ Dealing with Difficult Clients: Whose Side Are You on Anyway?” by Jeff Soilson, JD 1 CE hr.
September 2020	Webinar 09/09/2020 presented by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists, “Navigating Terminations: Complexities, Ethics, and Risk Management.” 1 CE hr.
August 2020	Flash Webinar series 08/25-09/03/2020 presented by AFCC, “Parenting Coordination in Cases Involving Intimate Partner Violence,” “Effective Use of Parenting Coordination: Considerations for Legal and Mental Health,” “Enhancing Efficacious Parenting Coordination,” and “Voices or Ghosts? The Place of Children in Parenting Coordination.” 6 CE hrs.
August 2020	Webinar 08/19/2020 presented by AFCC, “Sociopaths: The Con Artists of Family Law” by Will Eddy, LCSW. 1 CE hr.
August 2020	Webinar 08/07/2020 presented by APA, “WS #505: Your Practice Journey: Strategies to Envision and Promote an Ideal Practice That Grows With You.” 2.5 CE hrs.
August 2020	Webinar 08/06/2020 presented by APA, “WS #403: Addressing Premature Termination in Psychotherapy: Strategies for Engaging Clients.” 2.5 CE hrs.
August 2020	Webinar 08/05/2020 presented by APA, “WS #307: Ethics and Law for the Practicing Psychologist.” 2.5 CE hrs.
June 2020	Webinar 06/23/2020 presented by AFCC, “Psycho-judicial Responses to Resist-Refusal Cases.” 1.5 CE hrs.
June 2020	Webinar 06/18/2020 presented by APA, “Successfully Marketing Your Telehealth Practice.” 1 CE hr.
June 2020	Webinar 06/11/2020 presented by AFCC, “Parental Alienation: False Positives and Real Remedies” by Richard A. Warshak, PhD. 1.5 CE hrs.
June 2020	Webinar 06/09/2020 presented by AFCC, “Allegations of Child Abuse During Child Custody Disputes” by Michael Saini, PhD, Stacey Platt, JD, and Taina Laajasalo, PhD. 1.5 CE hrs.
June 2020	Webinar 06/04/2020 presented by ETCA, “Tennessee Family Law Update 2019” by K. O. Herston. 1 CE hr.

May 2020	Webinar 05/19/2020 presented by AFCC, "Dynamics, Not Diagnoses: Assessing and Responding to the Best Interests of the Polarized Child" by Benjamin D. Garber, PhD. 1.5 CE hrs.
May 2020	Webinar 05/14/2020 presented by AFCC, "Parental Alienation: In Search of Common Ground for a More Differentiated Theory" by Matthew J. Sullivan, PhD. 1.5 CE hrs.
May 2020	Webinar 05/12/2020 presented by AFCC, "Concepts, Controversies, and Conundrums of Parent-Child Contact Problems" by Nicholas Bala, JD, and Barbara Fidler, PhD. 1.5 C E hrs.
May 2020	Webinar 05/09/2020 presented by Cincinnati Psychoanalytic Institute, "When Play and Talk Seem Impossible: Psychoanalytic Treatment of Aggressive Children" by Matthew Shaw, PhD. 2 CE hrs.
May 2020	Webinar 05/07/2020 presented by APA, "Transforming Uncertainty into Opportunity: The Science of Serendipity as a Tool for Innovation in a Fast-Changing World." 1 CE hr.
May 2020	Webinar 05/06/2020 presented by AFCC, "Mediation and IPV: What the Research Tells Us" by Amy Holtzworth-Munroe and Amy Applegate. 1 CE hr.
April 2020	Webinar 04/22/2020 presented by Our Family Wizard, "The Intersection of Technology, Domestic Violence, and Family Courts During COVID-19." 1 CE hr.
April 2020	Webinar 04/10/2020 presented by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists (NRHSP), "Sustaining Ourselves in Challenging Times: Ethical and Risk Management Perspectives." 1 CE hr.
March 2020	Webinar 03/20/2020 presented by NRHSP, "Pragmatics of Telepsychology Practice in the Age of COVID-19." 1 CE hr.
December 2019	Seminar 12/14/19 by APS, "Conflict at the Core: Applying Psychoanalytic Insights to Family Court Dilemmas" by Michael W. Sanders, PhD and Ronda Redden Reitz, PhD 3.0 hrs.
October 2019	Webinar 10/16/19 presented by AFCC, "Special Needs Children: A Risk Assessment Model for Developing Parenting Plans" by Daniel B. Pickar, PhD, ABBP. 1 CE hr.
September 2019	Seminar 09/21/19 presented by APS, "Too Much Pain: Working with traumatized children and adolescents" by Jill Bellinson, PhD. 3 CE hrs.
September 2019	Webinar 09/18/19 presented by The Trust, "Treating the Child of Divorced or Separated Parents—Ethical, Legal, and Risk Management Considerations" by Joe Scropo, PhD, JD. 1 CE hr.
September 2019	Webinar 09/11/19 presented by AFCC, "Psychological Testing in Family Law Matters" by Sol Rappaport, PhD, ABBP. 1 CE hr.
September 2019	Advanced Divorce Options Training 09/05/19 presented by ETCA by Steven Rutlen. 2 CE hrs.

August 2019	Webinar 08/28/19 presented by AFCC, "Not Just Alienation: Rejection, reintegration, and realities of troubled parent-child relationships" by Marsha Kline Pruett, PhD, ABPP and Leslie Drozd, PhD. 1 CE hr.
August 2019	Webinar 08/21/19 presented by AFCC, "I Don't Want to Go?" What's a Parenting Coordinator To Do?" by Barbara Fidler, PhD. 1 CE hr.
May 2019	Lerner Conference 5/11/2019 presented by APS, "Letters, Clinical Summaries, and Evaluations that Don't Suck" by Vance Sherwood, PhD. 2 CE hrs.
April 2019	Webinar 04/25/2019 presented by AFCC, "Set Another Place at the Table: Child Participation in Family Dispute Resolution" by Stacey Platt. 1 CE hr.
February 2019	Workshop 02/09/2019 presented by APS, "The Initial Interview in Clinical Practice" by James E. Gorney, PhD. 3 CE hrs.
January 2019	Webinar 01/09/2019 presented by AFCC, "Highlights of 2018 in Family Court Research: FCR and More" by Robert E. Emery, PhD. 1 CE hr.
November 2018	Live Webinar 11/30/2018 presented by The Trust, "Suicidality: Clinical, ethical and risk management issues" by Dan Taube, J.D., PhD. 4 CE hrs.
August 2018	Rule 31 Continuing Mediation Education by the Community Mediation Center (CMC), 08/28/2018. "Bridge Training: Mediating with CMC". Seminar topics: Facilitative Mediation Model, Ethics of mediating pro se cases, Program procedures for Juvenile Court mediation, and the Parenting Plan and common issues arising in parenting mediation. 5 CE hrs.
May 2018	Seminar presented 05/19/2018 by APS, "A Critical Look at Case Formulation: How is it really done?" by Jeffrey L. Binder, PhD, ABPP. 2 CE hrs.
March 2018	ContinuingEdCourses.Net, Inc., 03/18/2018, "Psychopharmacology for Child and Adolescent Mood Disorders: Problems and promise" by John Preston, PsyD, ABBP. 1 CE hr.
March 2018	ContinuingEdCourses.Net, Inc., 03/18/2018, "Treating Children and Adolescents with ADHD: An overview of empirically based treatments" by Russell A. Barkley, PhD, ABBP. 6 CE hrs.
November 2017	Seminar presented 11/11/2017 by APS, "Action and Responsibility: Toward a Psychoanalytic Moral Theory," by Timothy L. Hulsey, PhD. 3 CE hrs.
October 2017	Fall Conference presented 10/21/2017 by APS, "Cultural Competence in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy," by Usha Tummala-Narra, PhD. 6 CE hrs.
May 2017	Seminar presented 05/20/2017 by APS, "History Beyond Trauma: The enduring legacy of Davoine and Gaudilliere" by James E. Gorney, PhD. 3 CE hrs.

April 2017	Conference presented 04/28/2017 by the University of Tennessee Department of Psychology, "Using the Therapeutic Relationship in Understanding and Managing Patients with Complex Characterological Issues" by Mark Sexton, PhD. and Andrew Stewart, Phd. 3 CE hrs.
March 2017	Introductory and Advanced Collaborative Divorce Training conducted March 9-11, 2017 by the Interdisciplinary Collaborative Divorce Trainers in Knoxville, Tennessee. 21 CE hrs.
Nov 2016	Tennessee Family Law Update conducted November 16, 2016 by Herston Law Group in Knoxville, TN. 2.5 CE hrs.
Nov 2016	Three-day 12th AFCC Symposium presented November 3-5, 2016 on Child Custody Evaluations in Atlanta, GA. Attended workshops: Psychological Testing (6 hrs.), Expert Witness, Relocation Evaluations, Allegations of Child Abuse (4 hrs.), Parent-Child Contact Problems, AFCC Guidelines for Examining Intimate Partner Violence, Child First Evaluations. 16.5 CE hrs.
July 2016	Rule 31 Special Training July 29-30, 2016 in Domestic Violence Issues, approved by the Tennessee Supreme Court Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission, in Knoxville, Tennessee, at the Family Justice Center, trainer, The Community Mediation Center. 12 CE hrs.
July 2016	"Child Inclusive Mediation and Counseling, an Introduction to the Child Inclusive Approach to Child Consultant Skills" by Jennifer E. McIntosh, PhD, <a href="http://www.childrenbeyonddispute.com">www.childrenbeyonddispute.com</a> July 26-28, 2016. 18 CE hrs.
June 2016	Four-day 53rd Annual AFCC Conference conducted 6/1-6/4/2016 in Seattle, WA . Workshops attended: Violence; Marriage & Family Trends in the 21st Century; Forensic Interviewing with Children; Research Update on Domestic Violence: Analyzing, treating, lawyering and judging; Attorney and Parenting Evaluator Collaboration to Best Serve the Modern Family; Examining Attorney-Expert Relationships: Ethics and choices; Changing Role of Fathers; Unsubstantiated Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse; Resuscitating Frye; Child Custody Assessment. 20.5 CE hrs.

<p>March 2016</p>	<p>Four-day conference conducted 3/9-3/12/16 under the auspices of the American Psychology-Law Society (APLS) in Atlanta, GA. Attended workshops: Neuropsychology and Forensic Mental Health Evaluations: Psychological testing in child custody evaluations; Ethical Considerations in Forensic Psychology; Testifying and Consulting as an Expert Witness; Forensic Case Formulation; Assessment of Civil Capacities; Research, Ethics, and Practice in Trial Consulting; Children's Disclosures: Overcoming reluctance &amp; understanding recantation; Victims and Trauma; Empirical Examinations of Children's Lie-Telling/ Truth-Telling Behaviors; Child Emotional and Sexual Abuse; Antisocial/ Borderline Personality; Emerging Issues in Juvenile Forensic Evaluation; Reducing Bias in Forensic Mental Health Evaluations; Child Psychopathy and Its Dimensions; Forensic Psychology and Law; Predictors of Child Custodial Case Outcomes; Child Memory and Interviewing. 28 CE hrs.</p>
<p>November 2015</p>	<p>Three-day Regional Conference conducted 11/5-11/7/15 by AFCC, in Columbus, OH. Workshops attended: Listening to the Voice of the Child; Mediating Never-Married Parents; Understanding Children's Reported Needs and Perceptions; State v. Clark: Who May Report What Children Say? Can We Trust the Child's Voice?; Relocation: It's all about the child; Parental Alienation and Gatekeeping. 16.5 CE hrs.</p>
<p>October 2015</p>	<p>Completion of Rule 31 Family Mediation training 10/26-30/15 conducted by the Fleming Law Firm and Mediation Center in Nashville, TN. 40 CE hrs.</p>
<p>July 2015 - January 2014</p>	<p>Peer consultation with Ronda Reitz, PhD: a seasoned Child Custody Evaluator. 45 + CE hrs.</p>