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Forensic and Clinical Psychologist

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CURRICULUM VITAE

DEGREES EARNED:

- B.S. 1972 Michigan State University
Major: Psychology
- Ph.D. 1975 Kent State University
Major: Educational Psychology
Minor: Evaluation and Measurement

LICENSE AND CERTIFICATION EARNED:

- License as Psychologist
Ohio State Board of Psychology: 1977 (#2534)
- Certificate of Professional Qualification In Psychology
Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards: 2000 (#301)

SUPERVISED CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- 1971-72 Clinical Psychology Practicum
National Institute of Mental Health and Michigan State University
- 1971 Psychology Internship (undergraduate)
Fairlawn Center for Children
Pontiac State Hospital
Pontiac, Michigan
- 1975-76 Psychology Internship
Redmond Psychological Services, Ravenna, Ohio

INDEPENDENT CLINICAL PRACTICE:

In addition to forensic experience, Dr. Davidson has over 60,000 hours of clinical experience with children, adolescents, adults, couples and families. Extensive multi-cultural experience with populations representing diverse socioeconomic backgrounds. Experienced with treatment and assessment of mood

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disorders, bipolar disorder, adjustment reactions, sexual dysfunctions, eating disorders, abuse and neglect, childhood disorders, and anger management. Experienced with Court ordered therapy.

- 1973 - 1975 Ashtabula County Mental Health & Retardation Board
Ashtabula, Ohio
Director of Research and Evaluation. Assessed program effectiveness for mental health, alcohol, drug and transitional care agencies and provided staff training.
- 1975 - 1990 Davidson & Associates
Ashtabula, Ohio
Forensic and Clinical psychologist and managing partner in a group practice
- 1988 - 2002 Heart & Hand Foundation
Cleveland, Ohio
Chief Executive Officer of a non-profit organization providing psychological, educational, social, and recreational services to inner city children and families
- 1994 - present LifeLine Counseling and Forensic Center
Willoughby, Ohio
Forensic and Clinical psychologist and managing partner in a group practice

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- 1970 - 1972 Village Nursery School
Lansing, Michigan
Director of a preschool for three- and four-year-olds
- 1971 - 1972 MSAU Infant-Toddler Demonstration Day Care Center
Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan
Teacher in a model child-care center that was used to establish infant-toddler day care licensing laws for the state of Michigan.
- 1978 - 1980 The Children's Center
Ashtabula, Ohio
Vice-president of a skills oriented child-care program

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

American Psychological Association
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
American Psychology-Law Society
American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers
American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children
Ohio Psychological Association

RECENT SPECIALIZED TRAINING:

- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Open Forum: Ethics Code." July 10, 1998 (3 CE credits).

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- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Risk management with Potentially Dangerous Patients." June 19, 1998 (9 CE credits).
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Psychopharmacology: Basic Mechanisms and Applied Interventions." July 10, 1998 (10 CE credits).
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Health Psychology Through the Lifespan." May 26, 2000 (12 CE credits).
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "New APA Ethics Code".
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Understanding Sleep", May 26, 2000 (10 CE credits).
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Counseling and Psychotherapy of Work Dysfunctions" June 20, 2002 (8 CE credits)
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Integrating Family Therapy". June 19, 2002 (18 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing on "Interfacing with Domestic Relations Courts". Sponsored by the Ohio Psychological Association. April 29, 2004 (6 CE credits)
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "The "Expert" Expert Witness: More Maxims and Guidelines For Testifying In Court". May 12, 2004 (4 CE credits)
- American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "Working with Parents of Aggressive Children." July 20, 2004 (9 CE credits)
- Completed the American Psychological Association's Continuing Professional Education course entitled: "The Hidden Disorder: A Clinician's Guide to ADHD In Adults". July 26, 2004 (5 CE credits)
- Two-day workshop on "Conducting Child Custody Evaluations: An Advanced Seminar". Conducted by the University of Wisconsin and the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. September 8-9, 2004 (12 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Ethics & The Business of Forensic Practice". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. September 30, 2004 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop on "Legal Research Techniques for Forensic Psychologists". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. October 1, 2004 (7 CE credits)
- Three-day International Symposium on Child Custody, sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Sessions attended Included, *inter alia*, "Considering the Family Change: Recommendations and Long Term Interventions", " A Pragmatic Approach to Visitation Resistance", " Assessing the Data for Child Custody Evaluations", " Post-Evaluation Procedures and Ethical Considerations for Child Custody Evaluations" and plenary sessions. October 14-16, 2004 (11.5 CE credits)
- One-day "Skills Development Institute: Expert Testimony and Cross-Examination". Co-sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts and the National Institute of Trial Advocacy. October 13, 2004 (6.5 CE credits)
- One-day "Psychology and Ethics in Domestic Relations Practice". Sponsored by the Ohio State Bar Association. February 24, 2005. (3.5 CLE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "An Introduction to Forensic Psychology Practice". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. April 5, 2006 (7 CE credits)

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- One-day workshop dealing with "Sexual Offender Evaluations: Risk Assessment & Risk Management". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. April 6, 2006 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Forensic Applications of the MMPI-2". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. April 7, 2006 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Assessment of Pretrial Competencies". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. April 9, 2006 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Competency to Stand Trial and Forensic Ethics Update" and "Introduction to Evaluating Juveniles' Adjudicative Competency" sponsored by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and the Ohio Association of Forensic Psychiatric Center Directors, June 9, 2006 (6 CE credits)
- One-day "Custody Evaluations and Risk Management". Sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, October 19, 2006 (7.0 CE credits)
- Two-day International Symposium on Child Custody, sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Sessions attended included, *inter alia*, "Domestic Violence Assessment In Custody Evaluations", " Application of Gatekeeping to Child Custody Evaluation", " Effective Use of Collateral Sources", " Child Custody Evaluations: A Courtroom Survival Guide" and plenary sessions. October 20-21, 2006 (15 CE credits)
- Three-day workshop "A Survey of Forensic Psychology Practice: Issues & Applications". Sessions attended included, *inter alia*, "Juvenile Justice: Competence; Waiver/Transfer Evaluations; Personal Injury: The Law and a Model for Determining Damages; Civil Rights: Sexual Harassment and the ADA; Substituted Judgment; Developments in Violence Risk Assessment; Developments in Sexual Violence Risk Assessment; Parenting Plans: Child Custody and Access Evaluations; Parenting Evaluation in Child Protective Matters; Ethics and Business of Forensic Practice; Evaluation of Miranda Waivers; Evaluation in Strict *Mens Rea* Cases; and Death Penalty Assessments: Ethics and Practice. Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. November 2-4, 2006 (24 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Advanced Topics in Expert Testimony: The Evidence". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. January 18, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Advanced Topics in Expert Testimony: The Presentation". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. January 19, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Jury Selection: Research & Practice". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. January 10, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Role of the Forensic Psychologist in Death Penalty Litigation". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 22, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "The Defendant: Impact of Mental Disability in the Criminal Law Process". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 23, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Adolescents as Adults in Court". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 24, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Forensic Assessment of Tort Liability & Damages". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 25, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- One-day workshop dealing with "Advanced Issues in Child Custody Evaluation: Domestic Violence and Alienation". Sponsored by the Association of Family and

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- Conciliation Courts and National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. September 27, 2007 (7 CE credits)
- Two-day Regional Training Conference: Applications for High Conflict Families, Domestic Violence and Alienation sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts and Conciliation Courts and National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges.. Sessions attended included, *inter alia*, "Conducting Focused Evaluations", "Evaluating Allegations of Child Abuse & Neglect in Complex Child Custody Cases", "Assessing the Feelings of Children in High Conflict", "Evaluating Toxicology" and plenary sessions. September 28-29, 2006 (19.5 CE credits)
 - One-day workshop dealing with "Pre-Employment Evaluations for High Risk Professions". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. October 27, 2007 (7 CE credits)
 - Two-day International Symposium on Child Custody Evaluations, sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Sessions attended included, *inter alia*, "Advanced Issues in Psychological Testing", "Deconstructing the Evaluation Process: What Exactly Are We Doing", "Domestic Violence in Separating Families: Debate and Dilemmas in Developing Appropriate Parenting Plans", "Revisiting Custody through Relocation: Interdisciplinary Perspectives", "Social Capital and Integrated Approach to Child Custody Evaluations: Application to Relocation Cases", "Testimonial and Non-Testimonial Roles in Child Custody Cases". September 25-26, 2008 (13 CE credits)
 - Completed the American Psychological Association's Insurance Trust course entitled: "Assessing and Managing Risk in Psychological Practice", October 5, 2008.
 - One-day workshop dealing with "Evaluating Parents in Child Protection Cases". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. April 24, 2009 (7 CE credits).
 - One-day workshop dealing with "Preparing for Board Certification in Forensic Psychology". Sponsored by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. April 26, 2009 (7 CE credits).

FORENSIC EXPERIENCE:

Civil and criminal court forensic examination and expert witness testimony provided on a variety of juvenile and adult matters. Experienced in examination (juvenile and adult) of competency to stand trial, mental state at time of offense (NGRI), issues mitigating criminal responsibility, child custody, civil competence (guardianship), termination of parental rights, child and adolescent sexual abuse, juvenile and adult sexual offender, pre-adolescent sexual behavior problems, chemical dependency, domestic violence, treatment placement, and the psychological impact on adults of childhood sexual abuse.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS:

Lake County Bar Association, Painesville, Ohio. "Forensic Psychology." January 31, 2007.

Cuyahoga County Public Defender – Juvenile Division, Cleveland, Ohio. "Forensic Mental Health Assessments." March 23, 2007.

Ohio Juvenile Defender Leadership Summit, Dayton Ohio. "Juveniles that Sexually Abuse: Research, Forensic Examination and Risk Assessment of Children and Adolescents and Disposition." April 20, 2007.

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Ohio Juvenile Defender Leadership Summit, Dayton, Ohio. Panel on "Fundamentals of Trial Practice: Disposition and Post-Disposition Advocacy." April 20, 2007.

Ohio House of Representatives Committee on Criminal Justice. Testimony at the request of Governor Strickland and Representative Bolon on the Adam Walsh Act (SB-10) regarding Sex Offender Registration. June 14, 2007.

HONORS:

1974 - 1975	Kent State University Fellow
1992	UNICEF Child Health Award <i>Awarded for work with Cleveland's inner city children</i>
1993	The 414th Presidential "Point of Light" as named by President George Bush.

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