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PSYCHOLOGIST REGISTRATION #: 2465 (May, 1992)

LANGUAGES: English, Serbo-Croatian

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. Clinical-Developmental Psychology (1990)
York University, Toronto, Ontario
Dissertation: "The influence of children's coping and parental conflict in litigating divorced families"

M.Ed. Applied Psychology (Counselling) (1984)
Ontario Institute for Studies in Education
University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario

B.A. (Honours) Psychology (1982)
York University, Toronto, Ontario

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Current Position **Clinical Psychologist in Private Practice:** custody/access assessments; parenting coordination; mediation and mediation/arbitration of parenting plans; family and marital therapy; individual counselling with children and adults; parent education and coaching; personality evaluations of children and adults.

Current Position **Team Member of "Family Solutions"**, a multi-disciplinary group of mental health professionals providing consultation and a wide variety of services to separated parents and their children.

- 1990 - 1999** **Staff Psychologist, Custody and Access Program, Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health,** Toronto, Ontario. Responsibilities include: custody/access assessments; child welfare assessments; young offender assessments; family mediation; psychological evaluations of children and adults; psychotherapy with children and adults.
- 2001- 2003** **Clinical Consultant, Markham-Stouffville Family Life Centre.** Consultation to a multi-disciplinary clinical team regarding child and family issues.
- 1993 - 1999** **Program Director/Principle Investigator,"For Kids' Sake" group treatment program for conflicted separated families, Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute.** Responsible for: research on and management of a treatment program to help parents reduce post-separation conflict and focus on children's needs, which incorporated concurrent groups for children and parents, respectively.
- 1988 - 1990** **Staff Psychometrist, Custody and Access Program, Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry.** Responsibilities included: conducting custody/access and young offender assessments; mediation; psychological evaluations; psychotherapy.
- 1987 - 1988** **Psychometrist/Family Therapist, The George Hull Centre** for Children and Families, Etobicoke, Ontario. Responsibilities included: family and individual therapy; cognitive and personality assessments of children.
- 1984 - 1985** **Therapist/Psychometrist, York Centre for Children and Families,** Richmond Hill, Ontario. Responsibilities included: family therapy; individual therapy with children; psycho-educational testing with children; liaison with schools and community agencies.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Full Member, Canadian Psychological Association

Member, American Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

Member, High-Conflict Forum, Toronto, Ontario (a multi-disciplinary group of agencies and private practitioners serving high-conflict separated parents and their children)

GRANTS:

Radovanovic, H. and Birnbaum, R., Hood, E. and McTavish, W. (1998-2000). A brief evaluation model for families in custody and access disputes: family and court outcomes. Federal Department of Justice, Ottawa, Ontario. \$30,000

Radovanovic, H., McDonough, H. & Hood, E. (1993-1995). Conflict and violence in separated families and child adjustment: a group method of preventative intervention. Health & Welfare Canada, Family Violence Initiative. \$84,825.00.

PUBLICATIONS:

Radovanovic, H. & Birnbaum, R. (1999). A brief evaluation model for access-based post-separation disputes: family and court outcomes. Family and Conciliation Courts Review, 37 (4).

Bagby, M., Nicholson, R., Buis, T., Radovanovic, H. & Fidler, B. (1999). Defensive responding on the MMP1-2 in family custody and access evaluations. Psychological Assessment, 11(1), 24-28.

Radovanovic, H., Motz, M., Hood, E., & Tam, F. (1997). Children's visitation refusal in high-conflict separated families. Journal of Psychiatry and the Law, 25(1), 33-49.

Radovanovic, H., Bartha, C., Magnatta, M., Hood, E., Sagar, A., & McDonough, M. (1994). Follow-up of families disputing child custody/access: assessment, settlement, and family relationship outcomes. Behavioral Sciences and the Law, 12, 427-435.

Radovanovic, H. (1993). Parental conflict and children's coping styles in litigating separated families: relationships with children's adjustment. Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology, 21(6), 619-713.

Radovanovic, H. & Sheese, R., (1985). W.G. Perry's model of intellectual and ethical development: Implications of recent research for the education and counselling of young adults. Educational Resources Institute Catalogue (ERIC, ED259286). Paper presented at the annual convention of the Canadian Psychological Association, Ottawa, Ontario, 1984.

PUBLISHED REPORTS:

McDonough, H., Radovanovic, H., Stein, L., Sagar, A., & Hood, E. (1995). For Kids' Sake: a group treatment model for high-conflict separated families. Parents' group manual. Toronto, Ontario: Health and Welfare Canada.

UNPUBLISHED REPORTS:

Radovanovic, H., & Stein, L. (2009). Group interventions for children of high-conflict divorce: A review. High-Conflict Forum. Toronto, Ontario.

Saini, M., Freeman, R., Burrows, S., Fidler, B., Gertner, E., Goldberg D., Popielarczyk, L., and Radovanovic, H. (2005). Dimensions of Conflict Measure. High-Conflict Forum. Toronto, Ontario.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

Radovanovic, H. et al. (May 2009). Family Law: Fundamentals in Custody and Access. Ontario Bar Association Continuing Legal Education. The Great Debate: What form of decision-making is in the best interest of children in high conflict cases? Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H et al. (April 2007). Experts in Family Law Proceedings: Effective strategies and best practices for family law practioners. Assessors: understanding their roles and responsibilities. Osgoode Hall Law School, Professional Development. Toronto, Ontario.

Carere, A., Chodos, L., Horowitz, T. & Radovanovic, H. (April 2005). The alienated child: characteristics and treatment approaches. Working with High Conflict Families of Separation and Divorce: Best Practices Approaches for Professionals. Jewish Family and Child Services/Hincks-Dellcrest Centre-Gail Appel Institute. Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (June, 2004). Focus on the Child: High Conflict Divorce and Child Refusal. Supervised Access Program Co-ordinator's Meeting, Ministry of the Attorney General. Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (January, 2002). Clinical interventions in high conflict cases: parent-child problems and parental alienation. Effective Advocacy in Family Law. Ontario Bar Association, 2002 Institute of Continuing Legal Education. Toronto, Ontario.

Fidler, B. & Radovanovic, H. (February, 2000). Working therapeutically to assist parent-child problems in high conflict divorce. Ontario Psychological Association Annual Conference. Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. & Birnbaum, R. (October, 1999). "Almost Mediation": A brief evaluation model for access-based disputes. Family Mediation Canada. Toronto, Ontario.

Birnbaum, R. & Radovanovic, H. (June 1999). New Interventions in the Millennium. A brief evaluation model for access disputes. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Vancouver, British Columbia.

Radovanovic, H., Bacchiochi, J., Bagby, M. & Buis, T. (June 1999). Defensive responding on the MMPI-2 in child custody/access evaluations. Harvey Stancer Research Day, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto.

Birnbaum, R. & Radovanovic, H. (April 1999). A brief evaluation model for access-based post-separation disputes; initial findings. Annual Conference of the American Orthopsychiatric Association. Washington, D.C.

Radovanovic, H. (October 1997). High conflict divorce and children's adjustment: legal and therapeutic approaches. Telemedicine Canada, Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (June 1997). Helping families deal with divorce. Moderator/Discussant at the Annual Meeting of the American Orthopsychiatric Association. Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H., C. Birnbaum, R. (June 1997). Changing the face of custody and access assessments. A brief evaluation model for access disputes. International conference on children exposed to family violence. London, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H., Motz, M., & Tam, F. (June 1996). Outcome evaluation of a group treatment program for high-conflict separated families. Poster presented at Harvey Stancer Research Day, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto.

Radovanovic, H., McDonough, H., Hood, E., et al. (February 1996). "For Kids' Sake": A group treatment program for high-conflict separated parents and their children. Poster presented at Child Psychiatry Day, Hospital for Sick Children.

Radovanovic, H., Sagar, A., & Osher, S. (May 1995). "For Kids' Sake": A novel group treatment approach for high-conflict separated parents and their children. Paper presented at Children and the Law: Prediction, Prevention, and Treatment. Annual conference of the Ontario Association of Court-Related Services, Toronto.

Radovanovic, H., Bartha, C., Tam, F., & Motz, M. (June 1994). Children's visitation refusal in high-conflict separated families. Poster presented at the annual convention of the Canadian Psychological Association, Penticton, British Columbia.

Radovanovic, H. (May 1993). Follow-up of families involved in custody/access assessments. Paper presented at the annual convention of the Canadian Psychological Association, Montreal, Quebec.

Radovanovic, H., & Bartha, C. (May 1993). Shared parenting in families disputing custody and access: results from a follow-up study. Paper presented at the annual conference of the Ontario Association of Court-Related Services, Belleville, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H., Bartha, C., & Hood, E., et al. (February 1993). Follow-up of families involved in custody/access assessments. Poster presentation at Child Psychiatry Research Day, Dept. of Psychiatry, University of Toronto, Toronto.

Radovanovic, H., Bartha, C., Hood, E., Sagar, A., & McDonough, H. (June 1992). A pilot study of families followed after involvement in custody/access assessments. Harvey Stancer Research Day, Dept. of Psychiatry, University of Toronto, Toronto.

Radovanovic, H. (June 1992). Patterns of conflict among separated parents. Paper presented at the annual convention of the Canadian Psychological Association, Quebec City, Quebec.

Radovanovic, H. (April 1991). Post-separation parental conflict and children's adjustment: the role of children's coping strategies. Paper presented at the annual conference of the Ontario Association of Court-Related Services, Kingston, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (March 1991). Parental aggression and children's coping strategies in litigating separated families. Poster presentation at the annual conference of the American Orthopsychiatric Association, Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (February 1991). Parental conflict and children's coping strategies in separated families: relationships with children's adjustment. Paper presented at Child Psychiatry Day, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario.

Butler, S., Radovanovic, H., MacKay-Soroka, S., & Wilks, C. (February 1991). Family Court Clinic survey of Metropolitan Toronto Judges. Poster presentation at Child Psychiatry Day, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario.

INVITED ADDRESSES/PRESENTATIONS:

Radovanovic, H. (April 2010). Children's developmental reactions to separation/divorce. Alternative Dispute Resolution Institute of Ontario. Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (July 1998). Developments in group work with high-conflict families: For Kids' Sake. Jewish Family and Child Services, Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (April 1998). Clinical work with high-conflict separated/divorced families. Markham Family Life Centre, Markham, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (December 1997). Kids talk about divorce. Communicating with your child after divorce. St. Lawrence Center Forum Series. Family Service Association of Metropolitan Toronto, Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H., & Bartha, C. (January 1994). Children's adjustment and reactions in child custody battles: implications for interventions. Youthdale Crisis Centre, Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (March 1992). The effects of separation/divorce on children's adjustment: implications for crisis intervention with children. Invited address, Kid's Help Phone Line, Toronto, Ontario.

Radovanovic, H. (April 1991). Court-ordered custody/access assessments: usefulness and limitations. Invited address, Office of the Official Guardian (Children's Lawyer), Toronto, Ontario.

REVIEW OF GRANTS AND PAPERS:

1992 Ontario Mental Health Foundation, extramural grants.

TEACHING:

2010- Instructor, Oshawa Psychotherapy Training Institute. Interventions with children and parents in high-conflict divorce: Basic concepts and skills. A workshop for mental health and legal professionals.

2001- 2004 Instructor, Toronto Advanced Professional Education (TAPE). Courses in family conflict and child development, and family mediation, for mental health professionals and graduate students in social work and psychology.

1996 - 2000 Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto. Responsible for: training psychology interns and psychiatric residents at the Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry; research and publication in the area of custody and access disputing families.

1999 – 2000 Course Instructor, University of Toronto, Faculty of Social Work (Continuing Education). Courses in: child development and family conflict/violence; and family mediation (respectively).

- 1993 – 1999 Clinical Supervisor, American Psychological Association accredited psychology internships. Clinical supervisor of doctoral level psychology interns at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (Child Psychiatry Program), Toronto, Ontario.
1994. Clinical Supervisor of psychologist on temporary registry, Ontario Board of Examiners in Psychology.
- 1992 – 2000 Adjunct Practicum Supervisor, York University and University of Toronto. Clinical and research supervision of graduate psychology students.