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EDUCATION

2003	Certificate in Conflict Management Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
1994	M. A., Social Policy (M.S.W. Equivalent) McMaster University
1987	Bachelor of Social Work Ryerson University

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2011** Parenting Capacity Assessors Forum – The Offices of the Children’s Aid Society of Toronto:
Demonstrating the Reliability of Standardized Tests to the Courts
- Make Room For Daddy: The Father’s Panel
- Children’s Justice Conference, Seattle, WA: Effective & Ineffective Legal & Clinical Interventions
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Orlando, FL: 48th Annual Conference: Research,
Policy & Practice in Family Courts: What’s Gender got to do with it ?
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Toronto, ON: 3rd Annual Conference: How
Childhood Events Shape the Children & Families We Serve
- 2010** Hamilton/Halton Collaborative Law – Lunch & Learn
- The Halton County Law Association – Family Law CLE
- Attachment Theory & Parental Alienation Seminar, by Yvonne Parnell
- Ontario Collaborative Law Federation: Children: The Beneficiaries of Collaborative Practice
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts: The Future of Family Law
- Interdisciplinary Collaborative Practice Skills Training. Victoria L. Smith, Jane Tremblay and Sheila
Brown.
- Ten (10) hour Family Arbitration Training, Family Arbitration Ongoing Training Certificate. Dr.
Peter G. Jaffe, Philip Epstein, Hilary A. Linton and Alfred A. Mamo
- 2009** Ontario Chapter of Association of Family and Conciliation Courts: High Conflict and Physiological
Changes to the Brain. Dr. Jean Cliton.
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, 46th Annual Conference: Children, Courts and
Custody: Back to the future or Full Steam Ahead

Collaborative Family Training – Karen Thompson-Harry and Marie Nickle

- 2008** Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Annual Conference: Emerging Challenges for Family Courts.
- Jewish Child and Family Services: Smokescreen or Fire, Making appropriate Parenting Arrangements in Child custody disputes with Allegations of Abuse
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Annual Conference
- 30 hours Family Law Training
Hilary Linton, Riverdale Mediation
- Domestic Violence and Power Imbalance Screening Program, Dr. Peter Jaffe and Dr. Beverly Bain.
- 2007** High Conflict Divorcing Families: Practical Strategies to Prevent Alienation. Mathew J. Sullivan
- Collaborative Law Symposium: Rick Shields and Marion Corn.
- Family Law: Custody and Access. Torkin Manes.
- Divorce and Children's Adjustment: Current Research and Implications for Practice: Joan Kelly.
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy with Personality Disorders, Marsha Linehan
- 2006** 7th International Symposium on Child Custody Evaluations: Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Atlanta Georgia
- Family Arbitration for Non-Lawyers: Hilary Linton and Barry Fisher
- Family Law Arbitration: Changes to the Arbitration Act, Phil Epstein, Epstein Cole LLP.
- Divorce Poison: Clinical and Legal Considerations. Working with Families of Alienated Children. Presented by Dr. Richard Warshak, Jewish Child and Family Services.
- 2005** Peel/Halton Collaborative Law Training Groups, Richard W. Shields. Working with High Conflict Families of Separation and Divorce: Best Practice Approaches for Professionals, Jewish Child and Family Services.
- Cognitive Therapy for Patients with Challenging Problems. Dr. Judith S. Beck, Ph.D.
- 2004** Child and Spousal Support, Matrimonial Property Law in Canada. Family Mediation Canada.
- Cognitive Behaviour Therapy for Anxiety Disorders and Depression, Dr. Martin Antony, Ph.D.
- 2003** Custody and Access Assessment Training, Dr. Barbara Jo Fidler, Ph.D., Acc.F.M

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

- Registered through the Ontario College for Social Workers and Social Service Workers
- Registered through the Ontario Association of Social Workers (Reg#42445)
- Member of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals
- Member of the Conference Planning Committee, High Conflict Forum
- Member of Family Solutions, Toronto Chapter
- Member of the Halton/Hamilton Collaborative Law Group
- Member of the Peel/Halton Collaborative Practice Group
- Member of Jewish Child and Family Services, High Conflict Forum
- Member of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
- Accredited Mediator, Ontario Association for Family Mediation (Reg. #112).
- Past Vice President Hamilton Branch Ontario Association of Social Workers

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Private Clinical Practice 1991 – Present

Services Provided to Adults, Children, Adolescents and Families

- Mediation/Arbitration
- Therapeutic Reunification Therapy
- Parenting Coordination
- Closed & Open Mediation
- Custody and Access Assessments – Qualified Expert in carrying out Section 30 Assessments.
- Pre and Post separation and divorce counselling.
- Educational consultation to parents regarding the effects of separation and divorce on children.
- Parent/Adolescent conflict resolution.
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy.
- Individual and Couple Therapy (Treatment of depression, anxiety, emotional, physical and sexual abuse, adolescent behavioural issues, mental health problems, relationships issues, substance use, stress self-esteem, work related problems, grief and trauma)
- Family Therapy

Services Provided to Legal Counsel (In addition to above)

- Consulting
- Assessment Critiques
- Referrals

Hatts Off Family Services 1989 – 1993

- Individual and Family Therapy provided to Adolescent Children's Aid Society Wards and Crown Wards.
- Facilitated the implementation of parenting plans for parents re-establishing relationships with their children.
- Assisted children and families transitioning from foster care to home care.
- Facilitated communication between separated parents regarding care and co-parenting of their children.
- Assisted children and families to transition during custody changes.
- Provided counselling to children, adolescents and their families on a range of issues.

Ministry of Correctional Services 1987-1995

- Developed and implemented Discharge Planning Program for forensic offenders.
- Developed and implemented Case Management for Forensic Offenders
- Provided clinical services to forensic offenders.

WORKSHOPS, PUBLICATIONS & PAPERS

- Trainer: : Children Resisting Post Separation Contact: Concepts, Controversies, Assessment & Intervention, 04/11
- Presenter: Children's Justice Conference: Effective & Ineffective Legal & Clinical Interventions, 05/11
- Presenter: Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Orlando, FL: 48th Annual Conference: Research, Policy & Practice in Family Courts: What's Gender got to do with it ? 06/11
- Presenter: 1 Day Workshop with Dr. Barbara Jo Fidler: Children Resisting Post Separation Contact 09/11
- Presenter: Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Toronto, ON: 3rd Annual Conference: How Childhood Events Shape the Children & Families we Serve 10/11

2003-2010

- Presenter: The Halton County Law Association: Family Law CLE, 12/10
- Presenter: Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, 47th Annual Conference: The Future of Family Law, 10/10
- Presenter: Ontario Collaborative Law Federation: Children: The Beneficiaries of Collaborative Practice, 09/10
- Panellist Organization of Counsel for Children's Aid Societies of Ontario, 06/10
- Panellist and Presenter: Peel Regional Symposium: Enriching Collaborative Services to Families in Conflict, 09/09
- Presenter: Parenting Coordination with High Conflict Parents. Peel Collaborative Law Group 04/09
- Presenter: Alienation: Clinical and Legal Interventions. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts 46 Annual Conference with Linda Chodos, M.S.W., R.S.W., Hon. Clifford S. Nelson and Dr. Barbara Fidler, Ph.D. 05/09
- Presentation of "Parenting through Conflict" to Simpson Wigle Barristers and Solicitors, 06/06
- "Managing Parent-Teen Conflict", *Moods Magazine*, Summer 2006.
- "Spare the Children: The Emotional Impact of Separation and Divorce", *Moods Magazine*, Summer 2005
- "Structuring and Implementing Mediation Internships," Family Mediation Canada – 2004
- "Divided Paths, Shared Futures – Separation and Divorce Through the Eyes of Your Children", YWCA – 2004.
- "Common Pitfalls of Shared Parenting", YWCA – 2003.
- "Separation, Divorce and Co-Parenting *Without* Conflict" – 2003.