

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL

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### UNIVERSITY EDUCATION

Ph.D. Education (Guidance & Counseling), University of Michigan, February, 1983.  
M.S. Clinical Psychology, Eastern Michigan University, December, 1973.  
B.A. Psychology, University of Michigan, April, 1972.

### PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE & CERTIFICATES EARNED

Licensed Psychologist, State of Michigan	6301001615, 1985 - present.
Licensed Psychologist, State of California	PSY 10272, 1987 - present.
Licensed Psychologist, State of Arizona	3843, 2006 - present.
American Board of Forensic Psychology, Diplomate	2006 - present.
American Board of Professional Psychology (Forensic), Diplomate	2006 - present.

### FACULTY POSITIONS

National Judicial College, Reno, Nevada. (1996 - present).  
National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges, Reno, Nevada. (2000 - present).  
National Institute for Trial Advocacy. Participated in the development of and instruction for Modern Divorce Advocacy. (2006 - 2008).  
Arizona State University, Department of Psychology, Tempe, Arizona. Adjunct Faculty (2006 - 2008).  
Alliant University, San Francisco, California. Adjunct Faculty, supervising a student intern (2004-2005).

### COURT-RELATED POST-GRADUATE EDUCATION

**Maintains Continuing Education to Fulfill Continuing Education Requirements of CA Rule of Court 5.225 and Arizona Revised Statutes. (Complete listing of continuing education courses meeting these requirements and other forensic courses available upon request)**

2006	32 Hour Divorce Mediation Training, Sponsored by Cramer & Associates.
2004	Collaborative Practice for Mental Health and Legal Professionals, Sponsored by the Contra Costa Collaborative Practice Association.

- 1994-2010 Custody Evaluation Training, Sponsored by the Association of Family & Conciliation Courts.
- 1983 Divorce Mediation Training, Sponsored by the Michigan Council for Family and Divorce Mediation.

**FORENSIC EXPERIENCE**

- 2009 - present Director of Forensic Programs for the Steve Frankel Group. The Steve Frankel Group provides online continuing education for mental health professionals and attorneys across the country. As Director of Forensic Programs, I am in charge of recruiting speakers and mentors for the forensic mentoring program. Additionally, I provide continuing education offerings in a range of forensic matters via the Steve Frankel Group website ([www.sfrankelgroup.com](http://www.sfrankelgroup.com)).
- 1987-Present Private Practice. Custody evaluations; Critiques of custody evaluations and expert witness consultation in a range of divorce-related and other forensic areas with a primary specialty in relocation.
- 1987-1994 Santa Clara County Juvenile Court, San Jose, California. Psychologist/Evaluator.  
 & 2005-2006 Panel of Juvenile Court Evaluators. Psychological Evaluations of families in Juvenile Court system.

**EXPERT WITNESS APPOINTMENTS AND TESTIMONY**

Appointed as an expert to perform court-appointed child custody evaluations under Section 730 of the Evidence Code in the following California counties:

Alameda	Butte	Contra Costa	Glenn
Los Angeles	Nevada	Placer	Sacramento
San Joaquin	San Mateo	Santa Clara	Stanislaus
Solano			

Also appointed as an expert to perform court-appointed child custody evaluations in Macomb County, Oakland County, and Wayne County, Michigan; Maricopa County and Pinal County, Arizona; and Calcasieu Parish, LA.

Admitted to testify as an expert witness in the following additional courts:

Juneau, AK	Fresno, CA	Monterey County, CA
Napa County, CA	Orange County, CA	San Francisco County, CA
Denver, CO	Broward County, FL	Orange County, FL
Chatham County, GA	Acadia Parish, LA	Manchester, NH
New York, NY		

## **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

- 1987-2004 Private Practice. Custody evaluations; Critiques of custody evaluations and expert witness consultation; Divorce mediation; Individual psychotherapy, children and adults; psychological evaluations. Primary areas of specialization include all aspects of problems of divorce.
- 1987-1999 Round-Up-Ranch, Biggs, California. Psychologist/Consultant.
- 1987-1990 Rubicon Centers, Inc., Fremont, California. Psychologist/Consultant.
- 1976-1987 Counseling Associates, Southfield, Michigan. Private Practice Psychologist.
- 1983-1987 Lutheran Social Services of Michigan, Detroit, Michigan. Psychologist Consultant.
- 1985-1987 Family Services Clinic, Macomb County Circuit Court, Mt. Clemens, Michigan.
- 1977-1982 Northwestern Guidance Clinic, Garden City, Michigan. Chief Psychologist.
- 1973-1977 Oakland County Child & Adolescent Clinic, Royal Oak, Michigan. Psychologist.

## **INVITED PARTICIPANT & KEYNOTE ADDRESSES**

- Sept. 2011 “Legal and Psychological Perspectives on Child Relocation”, invited speaker at the 1<sup>st</sup> co-sponsored meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) and the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (AAML), held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- August, 2011 Invited Speaker on a panel at the American Bar Association meeting on the topic of “Families Matters”, held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- March, 2011 Invited Speaker on “Relocation Issues in Separated Families”, held at the Inter-disciplinary Wellington Family Courts Association, held in Wellington, New Zealand.
- June, 2010 Invited Participant to “Families Matters Symposium”, co-sponsored by the American Bar Association Family Law Section and the University of Baltimore Center for Families and Children, held in Baltimore, Maryland.
- Feb. 2010 “Managing High Conflict Families”. All day workshop training High Conflict Case Managers in San Diego County, California.
- Nov. 2009 “Developmentally Appropriate Parenting Plans”. Invited presentation to Oregon attorneys, judges, and mental health practitioners sponsored by Child Centered Solutions, Portland, Oregon.

- May, 2009 “Cooperative Co-parenting vs. Parallel Parenting: Guiding Families to Utilizing Best Post-Separation Communication and Decision-Making Strategies”, Keynote Address to the New York State Council on Divorce Mediation, Tarrytown, NY.
- Fall, 2008 - Workgroup Member, “Planning for Parenting Time: Arizona’s Guide for Parents Living Apart”, sponsored by the Arizona Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts.
- Fall, 2009
- Nov., 2008 “Focus on the Child: Through the Lens of the Parents”, Keynote Address at a Program Sponsored by Legal Aid of Sonoma County, Santa Rosa, CA.
- Oct., 2008 “Child Development & Parenting Plans”, Address to the Ohio Chapter American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Columbus, OH.
- Oct., 2008 “Psychological Issues in Relocation”, Address to the Ohio Chapter American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Columbus, OH.
- Oct., 2008 “An Emerging Consensus on Domestic Violence”, Address at the 2008 Family Law Judicial Conference, Phoenix, AZ.
- June, 2008 “Custody Evaluations: The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly”, Address at the Arizona State Bar Convention, Tucson, AZ.
- June, 2008 “Relocation Cases, Psychological Issues”, Address at the Arizona State Bar Convention, Tucson, AZ.
- June, 2007 “Effects of Domestic Violence on Children”, Keynote address at the 2007 Conference of Have Justice Will Travel, Mt. Snow, Vermont.
- May, 2007 “High Conflict Cases, Child Alienation, Personality Disorders, and Resolving Parental Conflict”, Keynote Address at the 2007 Conference of the San Diego Family Law Council for Children, San Diego, CA.
- Oct., 2006 “Experts in Your Court: Child Custody Evaluations”, Keynote Speaker at the 2006 Family Law Judicial Conference, sponsored by the Arizona Supreme Court, Phoenix, AZ.
- June, 2006 Hong Kong, China. Provided training to Social Service and Psychology Units for Hong Kong government on areas of child custody, high conflict divorce, alienation, domestic violence, coparenting and parallel parenting, parent education, and child custody evaluation.
- Sept., 2005 “Psychological and Legal Issues in Relocation Cases”, Keynote address to the Child Representative Seminar of the Domestic Relations Division, Chicago, IL.
- May, 2005 New York Matrimonial Commission. Testified to the commission on issues related to child custody evaluations. New York, NY.

- Jan., 2003 National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, “Domestic Violence and Child Custody”, A Program to develop curriculum for Family Court Professionals. Honolulu, HI. Nov., 2003 Hong Kong, China. Provided training to Social Service and Psychology Units for Hong Kong government on areas of child custody, high conflict divorce, alienation, domestic violence, coparenting and parallel parenting, parent education, and child custody evaluation.
- May, 2003 “Deconstructing the Forensic Child Custody Evaluation: Is it Fact or Fiction?”, Keynote address to the annual meeting of the New York State Interdisciplinary Forum on Mental Health and Family Law: New York, NY.
- May, 2003 “Family Court Best Practice: A Response to the Report of the Commission on Families in Colorado Courts”, Keynote address to the Annual conference of the Colorado State Inter-disciplinary Committee: Vail, CO.
- March, 2003 “Principles of the Law of Family Dissolution: Analysis and Recommendations”, Keynote program at the annual meeting of the California Center for Families, Children & the Courts: Los Angeles, CA.
- March, 2003 “Child Custody Evaluations: Thorough and Complex”, Keynote address at the Kansas Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC): Overland Park, KS.
- Nov., 2002 “Family Court Best Practices: A Conceptualization”, Keynote address at a workshop co-sponsored by the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education and the AFCC - New Jersey Chapter: New Brunswick, NJ.
- May, 2001 “Parenting After Divorce”, Keynote address at the 13<sup>th</sup> conference of the Children’s Rights Council: Bethesda, MD.
- Feb., 2001 “Standards of Practice for Child Custody Evaluations”, Keynote address at a statewide conference on standard’s for child custody evaluations. Palm Beach, FL.
- Sept., 2000 American Bar Association, Family Law Section, “High-Conflict Custody Cases: Reforming the System for Children”. The Wingspread Conference, Racine, WI.
- Jan., 2000 Ohio Task Force on Family Law and Children. Testified on issues of high-conflict divorce and children’s needs. Columbus, Ohio.

### **JUDICIAL INSTRUCTION**

Since 1996, presented numerous judicial education courses and workshops on various topics related to judicial stress, family law and domestic violence to judges throughout the United States, including judicial education programs in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho,

Illinois, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Utah.

Since 2008, several webinars for judges which have been available online.

### **PROFESSIONAL CONTINUING EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS**

**From 1995 – 2010 Approved Continuing Education Sponsor of the American Psychological Association, and Approved CE Provider of the California Board of Behavioral Science Examiners**

**From 1995 – Present Approved MCLE Provider by California Board of Specialization of the State Bar of California (Family Law).**

### **JUDICIAL, CONFERENCE, SEMINAR, AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS**

Since 1983, presented numerous workshops at various judicial, psychological, legal, and interdisciplinary conferences across North America, Hong Kong, and New Zealand.

- Judicial Stress, Unique Causes, Effects, and Management
- Relocation in Family Court
- Child Alienation
- Attachment, Child Development and Custody, including Issues Regarding Joint Legal and Physical Custody
- Developmentally Appropriate Parenting Plans
- Dynamics of Domestic Violence in Families
- Impact of Domestic Violence on Children
- High Conflict Cases in Divorce
- Child Custody Evaluations
- Report Writing and Testifying
- Consultation and Critiquing Custody Reports
- Special Master and Parenting Coordination
- Divorce Mediation
- Cooperative vs. Parallel Parenting
- Interviewing Children
- Witness Credibility & Suggestibility of Children
- Representing Children in Court
- Psychological Testing for Family Court
- The Use of Experts in Court
- The Use of Collaterals in Custody Evaluations
- Trial Advocacy Skills
- Preparing for Direct Examination and Cross Examination
- Relevant Research Regarding Family Court
- Ethical Issues and Experts in the Courts
- Personality Disorders in Family Court
- Residential Treatment and Foster Care of Children

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Stahl, P., “A Child Custody Evaluation: What Every Parent Should Know”, *Family Advocate*, 34, 1, Summer, 2011.

Stahl, P., *Conducting Child Custody Evaluations: From Basic to Complex Issues*, California: Sage Publications, 2010.

Stahl, P., *Parenting After Divorce*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Atascadero, California: Impact Publishers, 2008.

Stahl, P., "Keeping the Balance: Judicial Stress and Wellness", *Case in Point*, published by the National Judicial College, 7, 1, Spring/Summer, 2008, 3-4.

Stahl, P., "My Parents are Getting a Divorce", "In the Beginning", and "Wow! It's Confusing!", in "My Parents are Getting a Divorce", *Family Advocate: A Practical Journal by the ABA Family Law Section*, 29, 1, Summer 2006.

Stahl, P. And Drozd, L., (Eds.) *Relocation Issues in Child Custody Cases*, Binghamton, New York: Haworth Press, 2006.

Stahl, P., "Avoiding Bias in Relocation Cases", *Journal of Child Custody*, 3, 3/4, 111-126, Fall, 2006.

Schepard, A., Firestone, G., Ortiz, L., Rotman, A. and Stahl, P. *Allen vs. Allen: Advocacy in Divorce Disputes in a Multidisciplinary Environment, Faculty Edition*. Notre Dame, IN: National Institute for Trial Advocacy, 2006.

Sparta, S. and Stahl, P. "Psychological evaluation for child custody". In S. Sparta and G. Koocher (Eds.) *Forensic Mental Health Assessment of Children and Adolescents*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2006.

Stahl, P. "The Benefits and Risks of Child Custody Evaluators Making Recommendations to the Court: A Response to Tippins and Wittmann", *Family Court Review*, 43, 2, 260-265, April, 2005.

Stahl, P. "A 20-Year Personal Perspective on Child Custody Evaluations", *Journal of Child Custody*, 1, 3, 9-18, Fall, 2004.

Stahl, P. "A Child Custody Evaluation: What every parent should know", *Family Advocate*, 27, 1, Summer, 2004.

Stahl, P. "Understanding and Evaluating Alienation in High-Conflict Custody Cases", *Wisconsin Journal of Family Law*", January, 2004, 20-26. Also at [www.abanet.org/family/newsletters/2004/Mar\\_PhilStahlArticle.pdf](http://www.abanet.org/family/newsletters/2004/Mar_PhilStahlArticle.pdf)

Coates, C., Jones, W., Bushard, P., Deutsch, R., Hicks, B., Stahl, P., Sullivan, M., Sydlik, B. Wistner, R. "Parenting Coordination: Implementation Issues. *Family Court Review*. 41, 4, 533-564, Oct 2003.

Greenberg, L., Gould, J., Gould-Saltman, D., and Stahl, P. "Is the Child's Therapist Part of the Problem? What Judges, Attorneys, and Mental Health Professionals Need to Know about Court-related Treatment for Children", *Family Law Quarterly*, 37, 2, 241-271, Summer, 2003.

Stahl, P. "Child Custody Evaluations", in Van Dorsten, Brent (ed.) *Forensic Psychology: From Classroom to Courtroom*. New York, NY: Kluwer Academic / Plenum Publishers, 2002.

Gould, J. and Stahl, P. "Never Paint by the Numbers: A Response to Kelly and Lamb (2000), Solomon and Biringen (2001), and Lamb and Kelly (2001)", *Family Courts Review*, 39, 4, 372-376, October, 2001.

Stahl, P. *Parenting After Divorce*. San Luis Obispo, California: Impact Publishers, 2000.

Stahl, P. "Notes to Parents" in *I Don't Want to Talk About It!*, Washington, D.C.: Magination Press, 2000.

Stahl, P. and Firestone, G. "Guest Editors' Introduction", *Family and Conciliation Courts Review*, 38, 3, 292-296, July, 2000.

Gould, J. and Stahl, P. "The Art and Science of Child Custody Evaluations", *Family and Conciliation Courts Review*, 38, 3, 392-414, July, 2000.

Stahl, P. "Personality Traits of Parents and Developmental Needs of Children in High-conflict Families", in the Academy of Certified Family Law Specialists Newsletter", Winter Issue, 1999, Number 3, 8 - 16.

Stahl, P., "Starting a Child Custody Evaluation Practice", in the Academy of Family Psychology Newsletter, 2, 2, 6 - 7, Fall, 1999.

Stahl, P., "A Child Custody Evaluation", in "Surviving Your Divorce: A Handbook for Clients", *Family Advocate: A Practical Journal by the ABA Family Law Section*, 22, 1, 34 - 37, Summer 1999.

Stahl, P., "Alienation and Alignment of Children". *Contra Costa Lawyer*, 12, 6, 23 - 24, June, 1999.

Stahl, P., *Complex Issues in Child Custody Evaluations*. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications, 1999.

Stahl, P., "Alienation and Alignment of Children". *California Psychologist*, 32, 3, 23 - 29, March, 1999.

Stahl, P., "The Use of Psychological Testing in Custody Evaluations". *California Psychologist*, 31, 12, 21 - 23, December, 1998.

Stahl, P., "What to Do with Your Feelings", in "Coparenting After Divorce: A Handbook for Clients", *Family Advocate: A Practical Journal by the ABA Family Law Section*, 21, 1, Summer 1998.

Stahl, P. and Lassiter, M., "Ethical Dilemmas in Child Custody Practice", *Contra Costa Lawyer*, 11, 6, 10 - 12, June, 1998.



Stahl, P., "Second Opinions: An Ethical and Professional Process for Reviewing Child Custody Evaluations", *Family And Conciliation Courts Review*, 34, 3, 386 - 395, July, 1996.

Stahl, P., Contributor to "My Parents are Getting Divorced: A Handbook for Kids", *Family Advocate: A Practical Journal by the ABA Family Law Section*, 18, 4, Spring, 1996.

Stahl, P., "The Use of Special Masters in High Conflict Divorces." *California Psychologist*, 28, 3, 29-30, April, 1995.

Stahl, P., "Ethical Considerations," in Howard, D. & Bushard, P. (co-editors), *The AFCC Resource Guide for Parenting Evaluations*. Madison, Wisconsin: Association of Family & Conciliation Courts, 1994.

Stahl, P., *Conducting Child Custody Evaluations: A Comprehensive Guide*. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications, 1994.

Stahl, P., *Children on Consignment: A Handbook for Parenting Foster Children and Their Special Needs*. Lexington, Massachusetts: Lexington Books, 1990.

Stahl, P., "Attitudes and Beliefs About Joint Custody: Findings of a Study." *Conciliation Courts Review*, 24, 2, 41-45, December, 1986.

Stahl, P., "A Review of Joint and Shared Parenting Literature" in Folberg, Jay (ed.), *Joint Custody and Shared Parenting*. Rockville, Maryland: BNA Books, 1984.

Stahl, P., *Joint Custody: Attitudes and Beliefs of Professionals and Joint Custody Families*. Doctoral dissertation. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan, 1983.

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Fellow, American Academy of Forensic Psychology  
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC)  
    Recipient of AFCC President's Award, June, 2000  
    Arizona Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts  
    California Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts  
National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges  
American Psychological Association  
    Division 41 (American Psychology-Law Society)  
Contra Costa County Bar Association and Family Law Section, Affiliate Member  
Maricopa County Bar Association and Family Law Section, Affiliate Member

## **EDITORIAL REVIEW BOARDS**

*Family Courts Review*, Professor Andrew Shepard, Editor.  
    Special Issue Co-Editor, July, 2000, Special Issue on Child Custody Evaluations.

*Journal of Child Custody*, Leslie Drozd, Editor. Editorial Board Member.  
Special Issue Editor, Fall, 2006, Special Issue on Relocation.

**PROFESSIONAL BOARD & TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIPS**

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

Past Member of the Board of Directors (1991 - 1997 and 2004 - 2010)

Past Member - Task Force on Child Custody Evaluation Standards

Past Member - Task Force on Parent Coordination

Past Member - Advisory Council

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Arizona Chapter

Current Member of the Board of Directors

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, California Chapter

Former Member of the Board of Directors and Former Treasurer

Discovery Counseling Center of the San Ramon Valley.

Former Board Member

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