

Curriculum Vitae

David S. Gomberg Ph.D. Clinical Psychologist and Forensic Expert

Education

Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus. Ph.D. earned March, 1996.

University of Texas at Austin, B.A. in Psychology in May 1989. Top 5% of class, GPA 3.8.
Phi Beta Kappa honors society. Phi Kappa Phi honors society. Honors psychology program.
Liberal Arts Dean's list.

New York State License #013066-1

New Jersey State License #3703

Clinical and Forensic Experience

December 2018 – Current: Owner David S. Gomberg, Ph.D. and Associates. Child custody evaluations, parent coordination, supervised therapeutic visitation, therapeutic reunification, Collaborative Law Coach, Tevis evaluation, and other evaluations in the area of family law.

Accepted as an expert in Mercer, Bergen, Middlesex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Essex, Morris, Somerset, Union, Warren and Sussex counties. Approved by the Administrative Office of the Court as a Parent Coordinator.

January 2004 – December 2018: Forensic Experience/Family Law: Associate of the firm of Edwin A. Rosenberg, Ph.D., Forensic Psychology. Conducted custody evaluations, parent coordination, supervised therapeutic visitation, therapeutic reunification, Collaborative Law Coach, Tevis evaluation, and other evaluations in the area of family law.

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Additional Forensic Experience:

Peace officer candidate evaluations for the City University of New York,
Police officer candidate evaluations for Freehold and Bayonne,
New Jersey Police Departments,
Firefighter candidate evaluations for Bayonne, New Jersey Fire Department,
Correction officer candidates for Hudson County,
Fitness for duty evaluations for Hudson County correction officers and sheriff's officers,
Parole evaluations for the New Jersey Department of Corrections,
Personal injury evaluations.

1997 - Current – Private/Clinical Practice - Child, Adolescent, Adult and Couples/Marital psychotherapy, psychological testing, geriatrics.

1/2004 - 10/2013 Center for Family Guidance – Psychological Evaluations for the New Jersey Department of Corrections and the State Parole Board. Risk Assessments of Sex Offenders.

1/1999 - 1/2004 Rossi Psychological Group. Consultant in New Jersey nursing homes. Psychotherapy with geriatric populations in nursing homes, behavior modification, cognitive therapy, in-service. Consultant, debriefing, and crisis intervention with correctional facilities and Hudson County employees. Psychological evaluation of Inmates in New Jersey State Department of Corrections. Psychological evaluation of police and corrections officer candidates. Hudson County Employee Assistance Program.

10/1996 - 10/1998 Downtown Professional Consultants. Psychologist. Child, adolescent, and adult psychotherapy, short term dynamic and cognitive/behavioral psychotherapy, career evaluation and testing, psychological testing, forensic interviews, personal injury evaluations, and supervision of staff.

8/1994 - 1/1997 Postgraduate Center for Mental Health. Staff Therapist. Individual adult psychotherapy, short term psychotherapy, intake evaluations.

9/1993 - 8/1994 Postgraduate Center for Mental Health. Clinical Internship to fulfill requirements for Ph.D. Experience in outpatient adult individual psychotherapy, psychoanalytically oriented psychotherapy, short term psychotherapy, intake, and psychological testing.

10/1991- 5/1992 Downstate Medical Center. Practicum experience in adult inpatient and outpatient psychotherapy. Experience includes; adult individual outpatient psychotherapy, adult inpatient group therapy, inpatient adult psychological testing, clinical case conference, research seminar, testing seminar, participation in the inpatient therapeutic community, interdisciplinary team meetings.

10/1990 - 5/1991 Ft. Hamilton Outpatient Clinic of South Beach Psychiatric Center. Practicum experience treating adult and child patients in dynamically oriented psychotherapy. Duties included individual adult and child psychotherapy, group psychotherapy, psychological testing, adult case conference, child case conference.

10/1989 - 5/1990 Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center and the Psychiatric Institute. Practicum experience treating adult panic disorder, agoraphobia, and compulsive disorders using behavior modification. Other duties: research for initiating smoking cessation programs in Washington Heights, panic disorders research.

Research Experience

3/1998-5/2000 Research Director for New York State Department of Health funded Grant. Title: "Reducing negative behavioral symptoms in late stage dementia patients by training staff in emotion recognition and validation skills." Duties include: oversight and organization of entire project, liaison work with administration, nursing staff, social work staff, and medical staff in the nursing homes, contact with families, assessment of residents, supervision of research assistants, and recruitment of nursing home facilities, data management, grant writing.

1/1996-3/1998 Research Coordinator for New York State Department of Health funded Grant. Title: "Treatment of Depression in Late Stage Dementia Patients." A double-blind placebo study of the effectiveness of sertraline on depression in late stage dementia patients. Duties include: oversight and organization of entire project, liaison work with administration, nursing staff, social work staff, and medical staff in the nursing homes, data management organization of medication dispensation, contact with families, assessment of residents, supervision of research assistants, and recruitment of nursing home facilities.

9/1991-3/1996 Dissertation research. Title: "The Function of Metaphor in Psychodynamic Psychotherapy." Completed March 20, 1996.

1/1993-7/1993 Research assistant on New York State Department of Health funded grant designed to study the emotional responsiveness of patients with late stage dementia. Duties included assessment of residents, interviewing nurses, interviewing families, and identifying emotional responsiveness through facial expressions.

9/1989-5/1991 Research in the development of communication in 8, 12, 15, 22, 26-year-old friendship dyads, development of introspection, and the conceptualization of transference and counter-transference as a socially constructed discourse.

1/1988-5/1989 For the honors psychology program at The University of Texas: conducted research on attitudes toward the nuclear threat and the effects of persuasive messages.

Papers, Presentations, Publications

Panel Member – The Impact of COVID on Family Law and Mental Health Professionals and the Families We Serve – October 25, 2022

Panel Member – Advanced Mediation Training ICLE and NJ Bar Association – June 15, 2022 and December 8, 2022

Speaker and Panel Member – Webinar – How to Divorce a Narcissist. April 30, 2020.

Speaker and Panel Member – The Bar Foundation of Union County. Bisbing Case. October 18, 2017.

Speaker and Panel Member – New Jersey Association for Justice Boardwalk Seminar. Mock Trial. 2017.

Panel Member – The Bar Foundation of Union County. Handling Interstate and Intrastate Relocation Cases. November 22, 2016.

Presentation to Barry Croland Inns of Court. "Removal in Child Custody Matters." October 21, 2014.

Presentation to Union County Judges. Family Assessment. September 17, 2014.

Presentation to Passaic County Inns of Court. "Parental Alienation and Parent-Child Reunification." March 12, 2014.

Presentation to Essex-Union County Association of Psychologists (EUCAP). "Parent-Child Reunification or Family Therapy – Which Is It?" Edwin A. Rosenberg Ph.D. & David S. Gomberg Ph.D. January 31, 2014.

Carol Magai, Ph.D., Kyle Arnold, MA, David Gomberg, Ph.D. (2005) *"Unheard Emotions and Unseen Depression: Improving Caregiver Awareness of Dementia Patients' Affects"* (in press).

Magai, C. Kennedy, G. Cohen, CI, & Gomberg, D. (2000) *"A Controlled Clinical Trial of Sertraline in the Treatment of Depression in Nursing Home Patients with Late Stage Alzheimer's Disease."* American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry. Winter, 8(1): 66-74.

Magai, C. and Gomberg, D. (1999). *"Emotional Intelligence Skills Workshop: Understanding Non-Verbal Communication."* (In preparation).

Magai, C., Cohen, C., Culver, C., Gomberg, D., Malatesta, C. (1997) *"The Relationship Between Premorbid Personality and Patterns of Emotional Experience in Mid to Late Stage Dementia."* International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry.

Magai, C., Cohen, C., Culver, C., Gomberg, D., Malatesta, C. (1996) *"Emotional Experience in Mid-Late Stage Dementia."* International Journal of Psychogeriatrics.

Presentation to Greater New York Hospital Association, Center for Continuing Care. Title: Innovative Practice: Facial Cues and Dementia. December 7, 1999

Dorval, B. & Gomberg, D. (1993). *"Psychotherapy as the Construction of Interpenetrating Consciousnesses."* In Shepherd, D. (Ed.), Critical Studies: Bakhtin Carnival and Other Subjects, Rodopi, 1993. Paper presented at the Fifth International Bakhtin Conference, University of Manchester, England.

Presentation to Eastern Psychological Association Convention, New York. Title: *Trees and Self-Esteem: A figure Drawing Assessment*. First author: Dr. Barry Ritzler.

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate

2/1992 - 5/1992 Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus. Orientation Seminar 001.

9/1992 - 2/1993 Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus. Personality Theory 109.

9/1998 - 5/2000 Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus. Service Learning in Elder Care. As part of a grant funded by the Foundation for Long Term Care.

Graduate

1/1998 - 5/1998 Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus. Socio-Emotional Development.

Corporate Training

September 10, 2004. Horizon EAP. Workshop Titled: Fatherhood: The Dynamic Role. Provided to Credit Suisse.

November 2001. Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Related to September 11, 2001 World Trade Center Bombing. Hudson County EAP.

Supervisory Experience

10/1997 - 10/1998 Downtown Professional Consultants. Clinical supervision of staff therapists. Supervision of psychologists conducting forensic assessments for the City University of New York peace officer program.

1/1996 - 5/2000 Supervision of Ph.D. psychology graduate students in clinical interactions with nursing home residents and staff. Supervision of research assistants on all aspects of data collection.

1/2002 – current Provide private supervision.

2015 – current Rutgers Newark Internship Case Competence Examiner.

Forensic Training

2004 In-service course in Family Mediation at NJ Institute for Continuing Legal Education

2004 Parent Coordinator training through Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

Membership/Organizations

- American Psychological Association
- New Jersey Psychological Association
- American College of Forensic Examiners Institute

- American College of Forensic Psychology
- American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
- Family Friendly Divorce – Collaborative Divorce Pod

Professional Boards and Honors

2023-current – Serving on Executive Committee of NJ-AFCC

Serving as Chair of the Legislative Regulatory Committee for NJ-AFCC

Specialized Training

- 2004 Certified Mediator training course through Institute for Continuing Legal Education - Court Approved.
- 2005 Parent Coordinator Workshop - University of Baltimore School of Law with Joan Kelly.
- 2006 Advanced MMPI-2 Interpretation through Rorschach Workshops, San Francisco.
- 2005 ICLE Domestic Violence Conference.
- 2007 AFCC Conference: Removal in Child Custody Cases.
- 2007 ICLE Child Custody Conference.
- 2008 ICLE Child Custody Conference.
- 2008 Sex Offender Evaluation Training Conference.
- 2008 Reconceptualizing Child Custody: Past, Present, and Future – Joint APA/ABA conference
1. Interviewing Children and the Appropriate Consideration of Children’s Expressed Preferences in Cases of Disputed Custody.
 2. Utility of Psychological Testing in Custody Evaluation Contexts.
 3. Legal and Clinical Issues in Cases of Relocation.
 4. Effective Parenting Plans for Children, Insights from Empirical Research.
 5. Considering Allegations of Domestic Violence in Cases of Disputed Custody.
- 2009 ICLE Parent Coordination Training Conference.
- 2010 AFCC Fall Conference: Domestic Violence: Paradigm Shifts in Practice and Research.
- 2010 AFCC 9th Symposium on Child Custody Evaluations
1. Integrated Approach to the Assessment of Intimate Partner Violence in Child Custody Evaluations.
 2. The Relocation Evaluation.
 3. Tailoring Parenting Plans for Hard to Fit Cases.

4. Conceptualizing the Dynamics of the Enmeshed Dyad: Adulthood, Parentification, and Infantilization.
- 2011 American Academy of Forensic Psychology – Advanced Issues in Child Custody Evaluations. Workshop facilitated by Jonathan W. Gould, Ph.D. ABPP. April 29, 2011.
- 2011 Basic Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law Training – Linda Piff and Joseph Noto, Esq. September 17 and 24, 2011. Certification Received.
- 2013 Presentation on Alienation and Reunification Therapy as part of NJAFCC Annual Dinner.
- 2013 Advanced Psychological Testing in Custody Cases, What Experts Need to Know. James R. Flens-Presenter. June 2013.
- 2013 The Model Standards and Beyond: Custody Evaluations and Risk Management. David Martindale Presenter. December 2 and 3, 2013.
- 2014 Dueling Experts in Child Custody Litigation. David Martindale Presenter. AFCC NJ Chapter, March 19, 2014.
- 2015 Innovative Interventions with Alienated Families. New Jersey Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Meeting and Seminar. April 13, 2015.
- 2015 Advanced Issues in Child Custody, Evaluation, Litigation and Settlement. AFCC-AAML 2015 Conference, Washington D.C. October 1-3, 2015.
- 2016 Emerging Issues in Relocation Cases. AFCC Webinar. Philip Stahl. October 13, 2016.
- 2017 Parenting Plans for Young Children: Consensus Opinion of 110 Scientists. NJAFCC Annual Meeting and Seminar. Presentation by Dr. Richard Warshak. April 6, 2017.
- 2017 AFCC – AAML Conference on Advanced Issues in Child Custody: Evaluation, Litigation, and Settlement. San Diego. September 14-16, 2017.
- 2018 Interventions in High Conflict Custody Cases in Light of Allegations of Domestic Violence. New Jersey Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Meeting and Seminar. April 18, 2018.
- 2018 What You need to Know About Domestic Violence to Provide Ethical and Effective Spouse Abuser. Treatment: A Research Based Presentation – Richard S. Kessler, Ph.D., NCC, DVS. June 1, 2018.
- 2018 Parental Decision-Making in High Conflict Cases. New Jersey Chapter of Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. September 25, 2018.

- 2018 Why Can't Parents Play Well In The Sandbox – Relocation and Parental Gatekeeping (William G. Austin, Ph.D.), Parenting Coordination (Arnold T. Sheinvold, Ph.D.), Panel Discussion – Post Judgement Custody Crises, Legal and Mental Health Issues. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, New York Chapter. December 14, 2018.
- 2019 Settlement Based Custody Evaluations. New Jersey Chapter of Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. April 16, 2019.
- 2019 AFCC 56th Annual Conference – May 29-June 1, 2019. Workshops Attended: Rethinking Reunification, Can You Hear Me? Using the Child's Voice to Settle Custody Disputes, Sociopaths: The Con Artists of Family Law, Assessing Intimate Partner Violence and Victim Trauma in Custody, More Date Less Woozle: Defending Individualized Best Interests in the Shared Parenting Debate, Compassion and Memories: Exploring the Neurobiology of the Potential of Possibilities
- 2019 AFCC Webinar December 2019: Toward a Trauma-Responsive System of Justice: Untangling Trauma from Drama
- 2020 AFCC Webinars as part of 57th Annual Conference: May – August 2020: Trauma Informed Intervention in Parent-Child Contact Cases, Playvagal Theory in the Courtroom and Beyond, Parental alienation: False Positives and Myriad Concerns, Multidisciplinary Programs for Prevention and Responding to Contact Failure: Education, Early Identification and Timely, Effective Judicial Intervention, Dynamics, Not Diagnosis: Assessing and Responding to the Best Interest of the Polarized Child, Concepts, Controversies, and Conundrums of Parent-Child Contact Problems, Allegations of Child Abuse During Child Custody Disputes, Acting Before it's Too Late: Prudent Early Interventions in Resist-Refuse Cases, Psychological Tele-Assessment During Covid-19: Ethical and Practical Considerations, The Opioid Epidemic and Family Courts, Sociopaths: The Con Artists of Family Law
- 2020 Society for Personality Assessment June 19 and 20, 2020: 8 Hour Introduction to R-PAS for Previous Users of Exner's Comprehensive System
- 2020 Children in the Coercive Control Context: Recognizing Ongoing Patterns of Victimized Coercively Controlling Behaviors and the Cumulative Effects of Surviving with the Coercive Control Context. Presented by Cynthia M. Lischick, Ph.D. LPC, DVS, November 12, 2020.
- 2020 Shared Parenting Research 2020: The Envelope Please – Marsha Kline Pruett – AFCC Webinar
- 2020 Introduction to the MMPI-3 for Child Custody Evaluators. Yossef Ben-Porath, Ph.D. December 18, 2020.
- 2021 AFCC-AAML Fall 2021 Conference:
Preconference Institute: Parent Coordination: Bridging the Divides. Debra K. Karter,

- Barbara Fidler, Annette Burns
 Preconference Institute: Refuse/Resist Cases: Getting the Mental health and Legal Communities to Speak the Same Language. Louise T. Traux and Michael A. Saini
 Session: He Said/She Said: How to Discern and Prove the Existence of Intimate Partner Violence and Its Impact on Children. Danielle Pugh and Lin Delaney.
 Session: Current Trends in the Social Science Research Related to Family Law. Maichael A. Saini.
 Session: When a Lawyer Needs a Psychologist: A Conversation about Mental Health Consultants. Nancy Kellerman and Jeffrey Wittmann.
- 2021 The Impact of Intimate Partner Violence on Infants and Young Children. Erica Willheim Ph.D. October 5, 2021.
- 2021 Adolescent Development and Issues that Arise in Divorcing Families. NJ-AFCC seminar October 19, 2021
- 2021 The Ethical and Lawful Practice of Therapy – Jonathan D. Rubin. December 7, 2021
- 2022 DE&I Clients and “-Isms”’: Recognizing and Addressing Discriminatory Behavior April 7, 2022
- 2022 When Cultures Collide, NJPA April 27, 2022
- 2022 A Common Sense Approach to Clinical Suicidology and Risk Management May 24, 2022
- 2022 New Approaches to Psychotherapy for Chronic Pain – Jeffrey Axelbank Psy.D. June 9, 2022
- 2022 Integrating Diversity Considerations with the New Guidelines in Parenting Time Evaluations, July 7, 2022
- 2022 AFCC 15h Symposium on Child Custody. From a Full House to Parenting Apart. November 10-12, 2022.
 Sessions attended: Sorting Stress from Trauma in Family Court, AFCC Guidelines for Parenting Plan Evaluations, What to Do when Your Child Doesn’t Want to Go to Their Other Parent’s Home, Emotion, and Credibility in the Zoom Room, My Child Hates Me: Research and Recommendations on Parent-Child Estrangement, Affairs and Their Impact on Co-Parenting and Parent-Child Relationships, Deconstructing Supportive Parenting of Gender Expansive and Sexual Divorce Youth, Anti-Social and Psychopathic Parents: Implications for Family Court.
 NOTE: I was asked to attend the diversity, equity, and inclusion group.
- 2022 HIPAA Compliance Lessons and Breaches – APA sponsored Webinar
- 2023 NJ-AFCC May 9, 2023 – Hot Topics in Parent-Child Contact Problems: Theoretical Viewpoints, Interventions, Treatment and Challenges for Legal and Mental Health Professionals
- 2023 “The Opioid Epidemic in New Jersey: Changing Perceptions and Saving Lives. Presented by Valerie Mielke & Adam Bucon – May 25, 2023

2023 AFCC-AAML Conference: Advanced Issues in Child Custody: Evaluation, Litigation, and Settlement. September 28-30. Institute: Thinking about Stress, Trauma, and Resilience in Children of Divorce. What can you do? Other topics attended: Family Justice Reform. Evidentiary Considerations with Mental Health Experts in Child Custody Litigations. Understanding Adults Who Sexually Abuse Children. Technology and Evidentiary Issues in Child Custody Cases. Social Science Research and Child Custody: Is Anything New Under the Sun? How to Improve your Forensic Interviews by Understanding Adults who Sexually Abuse Children. Direct and Cross Examination of Child Custody Forensic Evaluator.

2023 AFCC-NJ Conference: Coercive Control: A Primer for Judicial, Legal, and Mental Health Professionals. October 10, 2023

References: Available upon Request

Additional Information can be found: www.gomberg-associates.com