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A New Year Begins

Alan D. Blotcky, PhD

WELCOME TO THE JANUARY 2024 ISSUE of PAI. We look forward to a great year of scientific and clinical content about parental alienation and its many nuances. To our many members, please accept our invitation to submit content to us for publication. We want this newsletter to be reflective of our members' interests, expertise, and willingness to share. Diana Alberter and I are always available to receive your ideas and submissions.

In this issue, our president, Dr. William Bernet, writes a review about 2023. Information about our new website, the reactivation of memberships, and nominations for president-elect is provided as well.

Dr. Michael Bone presents the first part of his white paper on preparing for a custody evaluation. Part 2 will be published in the March issue. Dr. Bone is extremely accomplished as a clinician and parental alienation expert.

Other articles and sections are included here as well, including an alienated grandmother's account of her struggles, an announcement of a master's program in parental alienation, and a listing of upcoming events.

Finally, we present the beginning announcement for the 6th International Conference of PASG in Oslo, Norway, in September, 2024. That program is taking shape and promises to be a wonderful learning experience.

Thank you to everyone for your continued commitment to PAI. ■

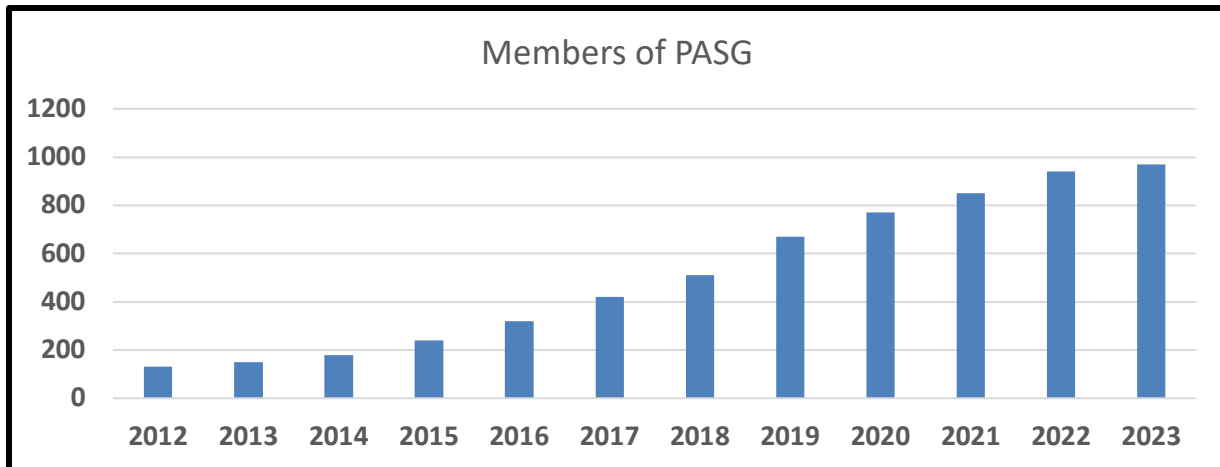
PASG 2023: THE YEAR IN REVIEW

PASG Announces New Board Members, PAI Editors

William Bernet, MD, President, Parental Alienation Study Group

THE PARENTAL ALIENATION STUDY GROUP was established in 2010, which followed the publication of an important book, *Parental Alienation, DSM-5, and ICD-11*. The book had about 70 contributors and they wanted to stay in touch after the book was published. The 70 contributors became the first members of PASG.

Since its founding, the membership of PASG has increased each year. Prospective members learn about PASG through our publications, our website, and by word-of-mouth from current members. We welcome members from the international community and now have representatives from 65 countries. We ended the year with about 970 members.



Several changes in PASG leadership occurred in 2023. Mandy Mathewson, Jennifer Harman, and Abe Worenklein completed their terms on the PASG Board of Directors. The following agreed to serve on the Board of Directors starting January 2024: Kelley Baker, Alan Blotcky, and Stan Korosi. Decisions regarding membership on the Board of Directors are made by individuals who are already members of the Board.

Also, Donna-Maria Logue resigned from her position as editor-in-chief of *Parental Alienation International*. Diana Alberta was appointed as her replacement. Thus, the two editors-in-chief of PAI are Alan Blotcky and Diana Alberta. Tom Janssen was appointed managing editor of PAI.

Our most notable event during last year was our international conference, which occurred in Ft. Collins, Colorado, in June 2023. The conference was designed, promoted, and orchestrated by Jennifer Harman. Most sessions at PASG 2023 were video recorded, and PASG member Larry DeMarco organized and posted more than 40 presentations on the PASG YouTube channel, which are freely available to the public. We are looking forward to our next international conference in Oslo, Norway, in September 2024. ■

The Leading Organization in Research, Information and Support unveils their reimagined website!

Ramiro Leal | miroentertainment.com

WE ARE THRILLED TO ANNOUNCE the launch of the newly reimagined Parental Alienation Study Group (PASG) website. With a fresh, modern design and user-friendly interface, navigating through our site has never been easier. The updated layout showcases the caliber of experience that one would expect from an organization like PASG—the leading organization in research, information and support across the board for parental alienation studies. In a visually appealing and organized manner, we display all of our most recent articles, presentation and studies, allowing members to quickly find the information they need. We have also enhanced the functionality of the site, incorporating interactive features that foster a more engaging experience for members.

We focused on six key elements when updating the website:

- Seamless Member Experience
- Stunning Visual Appeal
- Responsive and Mobile-Friendly
- Enhanced Performance and Speed
- Powerful SEO Integration
- Advanced Analytic and Insight

In addition to the elements above, we also incorporated other forms of communication that are native to our website interface. Email communications as well as member directories are only a few of the elements we are rolling out with this marketing push to bring awareness and resources to those interested in parental alienation studies.

Whether you are a longtime member or someone discovering the organization for the first time, our new website is designed to provide you with all the information you need.

Visit our new website at pasg.info ■

It's Time to Re-activate Your PASG Membership

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET RE-ACTIVATED your PASG membership in the last few weeks, please do it now.

In November 2023, we updated and renovated the PASG website. At the same time, we updated and renovated the platform that we use for PASG membership records. We sent several email requests to all PASG members, asking them to re-activate their memberships.

If you are able to log into the Members Only part of the new PASG website—with your email address and password—you have successfully re-activated your membership. Thanks for doing that. But if you cannot log into the Members Only part of the new website, it means you have not completed the steps to re-activate your membership.

There are two steps: (1) Go to the website (www.pasg.info) and click on the button that says “Membership.” You will be asked to fill out a form with your name, email, location, and other information. (2) After you complete the form and submit it, you will receive an email from PASG asking you to enter your new password. After completing both steps, you should be able to log into the Members Only part of the website.

Check out the various pages of the new website, including the Member Directory. You can reach the Member Directory with the button that says “Account” at the top of each page or with the button that says Member Directory at the bottom of the “About” page, below the photos of the members of the Board of Directors. There is another link to “Member Websites” at the same location.

- If you have general questions or comments about the website, contact Phillip Hendrix, Chairperson of the PASG Website Committee (phillip@covenantcounselors.com).
- If you have corrections or additions to your own entry in the Member Directory, contact Kelley Baker (kabakerphd@gmail.com).
- If you have corrections or additions to your entry in the section for Member Websites, contact Bradley Freeman (bradley.w.freeman@vumc.org). ■

Nominations Open for PASG President-Elect

IN EARLY 2024, the PASG Board of Directors will elect a president-elect, who will become president of this organization in January 2025. The members of PASG are invited to nominate themselves or another PASG member for president-elect. Send your nomination to william.bernet@vumc.org prior to February 15, 2024. Include the following: (1) a brief statement regarding the person's qualifications to become an officer of PASG and (2) a statement that the person has agreed to be nominated for the position of president-elect of PASG. After the nominations are submitted, the Board of Directors will select the new president-elect of PASG. ■

Preparing for a Custody Evaluation in Cases Involving Parental Alienation – Part 1

J. Michael Bone, PhD

Introduction

The purpose of this White Paper is to distill in a systematic format insights and related information that will be helpful in the preparation of sitting for a custody evaluation ordered by the Court. More specifically, this paper addresses the custody evaluation process with specific emphasis on issues related to parental alienation. Custody evaluations in cases where parental alienation is present have the unique task of discerning the truth or the falseness of negative and critical claims against one parent, made primarily by the other parent. Such evaluations are also faced with determining the best way to interpret a child's protest about seeing one of his or her parents, and then making recommendations about what actions should be taken. Such evaluations may also be called upon to distill down multiple outside agency reports on behavior alleged to have been engaged in by one or both parents. While all custodial evaluations contain elements of some of these features, those where parental alienation is present are unique in the fact that most if not all of these characteristics are present, often in extreme form. Being accused of behavior of which one is not guilty is a difficult and vulnerable experience, and this paper is written in response to these difficulties.

It should also be made clear, however, what this paper is not. It is not a "cheat sheet" designed to convey test taking secrets or "insider" strategies to in any way misrepresent anything. Rather, this paper is designed to sensitize the reader to strategies that will make it more likely for the truth to be effectively revealed to the evaluator.

Custody Evaluations are, frankly, known to be not terribly reliable. There are many published studies that make this clear. Consistent with this, it would be accurate to state that one's true personality characteristics may become obfuscated by some of the factors associated with parental alienation, making them difficult to discern. Consequently, the truth or falseness of one's potential for say, abusiveness, cannot be relied upon to come out, on its own. It must be coaxed. One of the most serious errors that a parent who is undergoing a custody evaluation can make, is to assume that any such observation is obvious. It is far wiser to assume nothing is obvious, and to present oneself and one's story in such a way as to increase the likelihood that these truths will, in fact, come out. The purpose of this paper is to help one to do this effectively.

Finally, no paper like this can address all of the issues. The goal of this paper is to address some common theme problems that occur in parental alienation cases, and to provide an orientation and a way to think about them as an aid to overcoming the specific challenges that exist for targeted parents who are going through a custody evaluation.

Custody Evaluation Defined

As the name suggests, the purpose of a custody evaluation is to somehow psychologically measure all of the individuals in the family in terms of their overall psychological health, the health of the relationships within the family, the coping strategies of these individuals, their individual histories, their families of origin, and any germane medical or legal issues that may be present. These various sources of information should include but not be limited to: multiple clinical meetings with each person individually, joint meetings with each parent and typically each child, psychological testing, interviews or at least information gathered from what are referred to as collateral sources (neighbors, school personnel, medical care givers, counselors, extended family members, etc.), review of past psychological, medical or law enforcement records, as well as other outside agency records, and any other information that is deemed necessary by the evaluator.

All of this voluminous information, derived from these multiple and often disagreeing sources, is then to be combined, sorted, assessed, weighed, weighted and distilled. The result of this distillation process is then to be operationalized into specific recommendations that are to then be made to the Court regarding what would be in the best interest of the children in terms of where they should live, how often they should be with the other parent, when visits should occur, perhaps what counselors they should or should no longer see, what schools the children should perhaps attend, how the parents are to share or not share their parental authority and responsibility with each other in the specific areas of their children's lives, as well as any other specific question articulated by the Court in its Order.

Custody evaluations should involve multiple meetings with the evaluator in various combinations that may well stretch out over several months. I attended a meeting not long ago wherein a presenter stated that the average custody evaluation took about nine months to complete from its beginning to the submission of the report. Given the enormity of the information, the individual nuance and complexity of each person being evaluated, stretching out over the better part of a year, it is perhaps easily seen how unpredictable their conclusions could be. When one adds the elements found in parental alienation cases such as false allegations of abuse, and the wholesale misrepresentation and fabrication of information, reliability is made even more fragile.

The Role of the Evaluator

I have included this section on the evaluator's role since there is commonly and reasonably a misunderstanding about it. First, the custody evaluator is an appointee of the Court, in most cases. By virtue of this appointment, the evaluator essentially becomes the eyes and ears of the Court. The rules of evidence prohibit the Court (Judge) from hearing much information, so the custody evaluator is essentially "sent in" by the Judge to drill down into the particulars of the case, then report his or her findings to the Court. In fact, just as rules of evidence prohibit certain kinds of information so as to preserve an unbiased field, the evaluator is not equally bound by these restrictions. In fact, in most states, the evaluator is allowed to consider and review information that would not be allowed into evidence. For example, evaluators may choose to listen to illegally recorded audio and videotapes that have been secretly recorded, if he or she so chooses. So, the evaluator is in many ways the relatively more unrestricted gatherer of information to aid the Court in its determination of what is best for the minor children. This latitude can be a valuable port of input for such information.

In cases involving parental alienation, it is important to understand that all evaluators are not created equally. Specifically, this means that all otherwise competent evaluators are not equally versed in and experienced in evaluating parental alienation. There are basically two reasons for this. First, since parental alienation is an occasional phenomenon in the wide range of possibilities within divorce and custody disputes, it stands to reason that the level of specialization that might be implied by parental alienation, is beyond the expertise of the generalist. While this is one reason for lack of expertise in parental alienation, it is probably the less significant reason. The primary reason for this is that being considered a "controversial diagnosis" many evaluators, wishing not to become controversial themselves, tend to keep it at a distance. By this, I mean that these evaluators tend to downplay the significance of the influence of the alienating parent on the child's behavior. These evaluators tend to be very much "on the fence" and in cases of parental alienation, will tend to look to the targeted parent as a locus of the problem, perhaps as much if not more than that of the alienating parent. These evaluators can be very problematic to parental alienation cases in that they tend to reinforce the already existent vilification of the targeted parent. These evaluators tend to routinely find fault with the targeted parents parenting behavior, as a rationale to explain the children's resistance to seeing them. When one steps back a bit it is easy to see that the problematic parental behavior that is being critiqued as being the culprit in the child's resistance does not rise to the level that would cause a child to voice terror and hatred of that parent. These evaluators, however, tend to take the child's alienated protests at face value and do not critique their reasonableness or the history of the parent child relationship before the marital separation. These evaluators tend to take a

more static rather than dynamic or historical view of the family in their evaluations. For all these reasons, only touched on briefly here, it becomes all the more important, to the degree that it is possible, to carefully screen your evaluator before they become appointed by the Court. When this is not possible, however, the remarks that follow will be made with the assumption that your evaluator falls within this problematic group, as they form the majority of evaluators.

Perhaps separate from this, but still related, is the issue of the relationship between your particular judge and your particular evaluator. Some judges rely heavily on their appointees, and others are quite skeptical and even hostile to such experts. It is important that one has an understanding of the nature of this particular relationship. For example, if one has a judge who relies heavily on their appointed experts, it is reasonable to assume that they are friendly to a psychological view of things. These judges often enjoy the intellectual debate that often accompanies such expert opinion. The approach taken with this judge and with this evaluator will be different than if the judge is hostile to psychological presentations in general, and may be even hostile to your particular evaluator. While your presentation to the evaluator in these two scenarios may not differ dramatically, how it is presented in court will.

Those judges who have favorite evaluators tend to rely heavily on their recommendations, making how one presents the information to them all the more important. It should be stressed that the evaluative process, the litigation process and all related interactions are very much human processes that exist within the context of human relationships. While it may appear to be about the facts and the law, the real driving dynamic that determines the outcome lies within the specific relationships between you and the evaluator, you and the judge, and the other specific relationships that are represented in the specific case. It is therefore your goal to develop as much of a truthful and candid relationship with the “person” of your evaluator as is possible and to do so as quickly as possible.

Your Evaluator’s Orientation Regarding Parental Alienation

In order to make this document most helpful, I will assume that your evaluator is naïve about parental alienation, or perhaps even hostile to it. I will also assume that your children are at least moderately alienated from you and that they will voice criticisms of you and protest wishing to see you. Such an assumption will make it easiest to portray the centerpiece principles which will be of help.

First, it is important to stress that the current state of affairs regarding your relationship with your children represents a dramatic change since before marital separation. It is important to stress, often repeatedly, that your relationship with your children was more normal and closer than it is currently portrayed as being. The best way to convey this to the evaluator is to provide specific examples/stories that display the level of closeness that existed between you and your children, before separation. It is not sufficient to simply state that your relationship was once close. Such general, non-specific statements, while factually accurate, do not carry affective significance. It is important to clearly convince the evaluator that this was once a very close relationship. As we humans are story telling creatures, this is best done with specific pre-selected stories that are filled with feeling and emotion. The stories that are told will be much more likely to resonate within the evaluator than will a simple general statement that the relationship was once very close. **The goal here is to impact the evaluator on an emotional level such that he or she cannot dismiss, omit, or forget that there was once a close, bonded parent-child relationship, that has now morphed into something very different.** The reason that this is so important is to recall that even the most seasoned evaluator is still very much a human being. In so being, he or she is uncomfortable with confusion over contradictory information. Therefore, if the evaluator is told by the children as well as by the other parent that the relationship has never been very substantial or deep, it is very easy for the evaluator to gloss over the other parent’s contrary statement and make the tacit assumption that it has always been this way. This glossing-over process obfuscates the reality of the alienation, making it

less detectible. It is only when the evaluator must struggle with the question of what “caused” the change in the relationship that the alienation is revealed. The first step in that process is to create an indelible, affective impression that the relationship was in fact once close and warm. Heartfelt stories about specific incidents and experiences that you shared with your children are the best method for doing this.

It is sometimes naively believed that by virtue of the evaluator’s training and experience that they should “know these things,” and be able to “see through” the false claims. Nothing could be further from the truth. Therefore, you must tell the compelling story of your relationship with your children through specific examples, so that the evaluator is moved by this, and cannot forget that fact. It is important to realize that it is via specific detail that emotion is conveyed. Any great fictional piece of work is ample proof of this. A summary description of events that may occur in a novel is without emotion, and easily forgotten. It is specific images of specific actions which are filled with detail that are recorded in one’s memory, and it is this principle that must be employed to impact your evaluator.

Therefore, **even if your evaluator is naïve or even hostile to the notion of parental alienation, if you successfully move him or her to the conclusion that your relationship with your now alienated children was once close and deep, he or she will be faced with explaining why it changed.** This is your goal. Since it is typically the case that the alienation intensifies after the separation, the evaluator will now have to explain why the relationship actually worsened in your relative absence. He or she will have to explain how it is that the children became more fearful and angry when they saw you less, rather than more. This is a critical question that should become haunting to your evaluator. ■

Part 2 will be published in the March issue.



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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ParentalAlienationStudyGroup/>

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A Grandmother's Dilemma

WHEN I MENTION ONE OF MY GRANDKIDS, I am often asked if I have other grandchildren. Believe it or not, that's a complicated question.

The technical TRUTH is that I have 4 grandchildren, but it's not quite that simple. I only see and regularly interact with 2 of them. One granddaughter passed away back in 2012 due to Sudden Unexplained Death in Children (SUDC). She was only 2 years old, and that tragedy was heart wrenching and life changing. At the time, I could have never imagined a WORSE heartbreak. Then, several years later my daughter's ex-husband and his new wife abducted my oldest granddaughter.

I use the term "abducted" because legally, when someone "...takes a person away from their lawful guardianship" they are engaging in abduction. And the "taking" can be physical, or by coercion. When my oldest granddaughter was 12 years old, she was so close to her mother that she often slept with her so "Mommy" could brush her hair, read a story and sing her to sleep. One day she was falling asleep while her mother read her a story, and the next day, she was gone: abducted, hidden from my daughter (*her mother*) and our entire family. By the time we got court enforced visits with her, she was a very different child.

It became immediately clear that she was living in a MUCH different household. When she spoke to her mother, she used language I once only heard when sailors complained about a chief or an officer. We quickly realized that this new household not only tolerated but, encouraged abusive and foul language – especially when it was directed at her mother and our family. That vocabulary, coming out of the mouth of the child that just a few months prior called me "Grammy" and hugged me regularly, was confusing, upsetting and most of all, frightening. We knew something was very wrong. We just weren't sure what it was.

Thanks to a long court battle and tens of thousands of dollars, we still see her; but another woman gets to spend more "grandma time" with my 1st granddaughter than I do. The gifts I lovingly pick out for her are left at her mother's home, and never taken with her and enjoyed (*she willingly takes money, though*). There are no more drop-by visits like before when I would take her and her brother out for ice cream on a lark, or with me on some other adventure. When I see her, it is NOT like I'm seeing my granddaughter, but a stranger who looks like my granddaughter and a younger version of my daughter.

As a grandparent, I often feel helpless. I have no standing in the court, and I have to stand by and watch my daughter's heart break over and over. I grieve as my grandson mourns the loss of his sister (*his father turned his back on his first-born son because he wouldn't join in on the demonization of their mother. Great parent, right?*).

While I'm not hurting as much as my daughter is, I'm hurting – as ALL alienated grandparents hurt. But at this point in life, I'm also hurting because I know that eventually, the **deepest** pain will be borne by my granddaughter.

The long-term impact of parental alienation falls hardest on the children. Alienated family members will be sad, but my brainwashed granddaughter is the one at risk for long-term mental health issues and instability. I continue to worry about her as grandmothers do for all their grandchildren, but my worry for her is compounded by the reality that she has a much higher likelihood of falling into substance abuse, long-term depression, anxiety, abusive relationships, and self-loathing.

I grieve today for the granddaughter that was taken from our family, but I ache knowing that she will end up bearing the brunt of this abuse. I know too that her pain will be compounded when she comes face to face with the realization that her father, willingly and over a period of years, perpetrated abuse that set her up for a lifetime of difficulty and pain.

I opened this suggesting that my grandmother's dilemma was that I couldn't really articulate how many grandchildren I have. The real dilemma, however is that I am watching a slow-motion disaster unfold in my granddaughter's life,... and there's very little I can do to stop it, fix it or help in any way. ■

Parental Alienation Events & Connections

by Holly J. Mattingly, PhD

Click on the links below for additional information.

Families Divided TV – 9pm EDT

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoqET_H81blcf7b55UHxhKQ

- **January 21, 2024** – Is it Vengeance or is it Projected Trauma: The Different Forms of Anger Driving Alienators – Ms. Melanie Gill, BSC; MSC/Pg.Dip
- **February 4, 2024** – Preventing A Parental Alienation Train Wreck: Recognizing & Reacting to the Early Signs of Parental Alienation – Ms. Chris Turner, MSW, JD; Lisa Rothfus, LCSW; Mary Alvarez, Ph.D.
- **March 3, 2024** – Why Me? How Did I End Up in an Abusive Relationship with a Narcissist? – Ms. Randi Fine
- **April 7, 2024** – See Your Grandkids Again: Essential Elements for Estranged and Alienated Grandparents – Mr. Aaron Larsen

March 4, 2024 – NAGALRO Online Spring Conference - Parental Alienation' - Debates and Controversies - The Professional Association for Children's Guardians, Family Court Advisers and Independent Social Workers

https://www.nagalro.com/events/24/parental_alienation_debates_and_controversies/

April 3, 2024 - Communicating with Children - workshop to present easy to access tools and techniques to support parenting and family assessments

https://www.nagalro.com/events/19/communicating_with_children_workshop_to_present_easy_to_access_tools_and_techniques_to_support_parenting_and_family_assessments

April 7, 2024 - London Landmarks – Half Marathon Fund Raiser

City of London & City of Westminster

[Run For Charity – Event Registration Page](#)

April 25, 2024 – Parental Alienation Awareness Day (check online for local events)

Save the Date!

September 5 – 6, 2024 - 6th International Conference of PASG

Oslo, Norway

Be Informed & Supported ...

Kayden's Law – Understand what the law entails

- [kaydens law vawa sponsor letter.pdf \(kaydenslaw.info\)](#)
- <https://www.kaydenslaw.info/>
- <https://victimtohero.com/judge-letter/>
- <https://drcraigchildressblog.com/2023/04/17/ca-kaydens-law-sb-331-analysis-of-sections-amicus-letter/>
- **United States** - <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/3623>

Research Opportunity for Alienated Parents

The University of California, Irvine's Department of Psychology and Social Behavior is currently recruiting parents to participate in a short study on their experiences of being alienated from their child(ren). This study aims to learn how we can better support alienated families and what alienated parents go through. This study will involve filling out an online survey about your experience and answering questions about your relationship history. Everything will be kept anonymous. The only requirement to participate is that you are over 18 and identify as an alienated parent. For questions, please email russol@uci.edu

If you are interested in participating in the study, please follow this link:

https://uci.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1zi3OpYuxiUqDoG

Parental Alienation Study Group

International, not-for-profit corporation with 800 members from 62 countries. An abundance of resources including informational videos, research, websites of legal and mental health professionals, book recommendations, and PA database to learn more about Parental Alienation

[Parental Alienation Study Group \(pasg.info\)](#)

My Family Matters Foundation – Northern Ireland

Therapeutic counseling and support charity organization to assist those impacted by domestic abuse, sexual abuse, and parental alienation

[My Family Matters Foundation Ltd - Counselling and support charity based in Derry/Londonderry for those impacted by domestic abuse, sexual abuse and parental alienation regardless of gender](#)

Family Disappeared Podcast

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ph/podcast/family-disappeared/id1694971410>

International Support Network of Alienated Families

5-8pm PST

Conference Calls, Support Group Meetings & Professionals

Biweekly Meetings

<https://isnaf.info/support-group-meetings-2/>

100K Fathers

Programs and community dedicated to providing guidance and support to fathers who are struggling with the difficult experience of losing contact with their children and/or experiencing parental alienation.

<https://www.100k-fathers.com/>

The Anti-Alienation Project - Inside the Mind of an Alienation EXPERT

Interview with Dr. William Bernet

https://youtu.be/jewZE-LbfX0?si=Zycmf_nUzgLwqduW

iStand Parent Network (ISPN)

<https://www.istandparentnetwork.com/home>

Parental Alienation Awareness (PAAWARENESS)

<https://www.paawareness.com/>

Dad's Matter Too

Charlie McCready

<https://www.youtube.com/@dadsmattertoo>

Parental Alienation Anonymous (PA-A)

<https://parentalalienationanonymous.com/>

Broken Ties

<https://www.parentalalienation613.com/>

The Times of India

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/blogs/voices/parental-alienation/>

Brazil Parental Alienation Law

Lynn Steinberg, Ph.D.

<https://lynnsteinberg.com/resources/brazil-parent-alienation-law>

Ireland Department of Justice

Parental Alienation - A Review of Understandings, Assessment and Interventions
<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/5c5c5-parental-alienation/>

Child Organization Switzerland

Parental-Child Alienation
<https://www.kisos.ch/eltern-kind-entfremdung.php#>

Parental Alienation Association Ireland

<http://paai.ie/subpages/home.php>

National Association of Parental Alienation Specialists (NAoPAS)

<https://nationalassociationofparentalalienationspecialists.com/resources/>

Together for Change

<https://www.together4changes.org/>

I'm Her Mother: An Exploration of Parental Alienation and Child Custody

<https://open.spotify.com/show/2n0nkoLCw2azoxDmX5Q6fO>

If you would like to share your story, please send an email to: imhermotherpa@gmail.com

Parents Beyond Breakup: Dads Alive Podcast

<https://parentsbeyondbreakup.com/dads-alive-the-podcast/>

Slam the Gavel – Podcast with Maryann Petri

<https://open.spotify.com/show/0d124wYXht5PLHQT1puOuj>
<https://dismantlingfamilycourtcorruption.com/>

Red Table Talk - Parental Alienation: When Your Child Turns Against You

<https://www.facebook.com/redtabletalk/videos/parental-alienation-when-your-child-is-turned-against-you/773239440462619/>

Canadian Center for Men and Families

<https://menandfamilies.org/alienation/>

Parental Alienation Foundation of South Africa

<https://www.awareness.org.za/>

Tedx Talks – Parental Alienation with Dr. Jennifer Harman

<https://youtu.be/v3YdldNXZnQ>

Canadian Children's Rights Counsel

https://canadiancrc.com/PARENTAL-ALIENATION-CANADA/Parental_Alienation.aspx

CAFCASS - Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service

<https://www.cafcass.gov.uk/>

Overcoming Parental Alienation

<https://dialogueingrowth.com.au/>

Alienated Children First

<https://alienated.ie/>

Coping Positively with Parental Alienation

This video was created by Alienated Children First for Parents and was written by well-known Irish holistic therapist Aoife Griffin and spoken by Jan ACF Chairperson

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=446SjN-O92Y&feature=youtu.be>

Parental Alienation Australia

<https://parentalalienation.org.au/>

Men's Rights

<https://mensrights.com/italy-parental-alienation-child-support/>

PAS-Intervention International Online Support Group – Guest Speakers

2nd Tuesday Each Month

<https://www.facebook.com/PASIntervention>

Parent Time Podcast

Recordings Available Online

<https://www.sharedparenting.org/parent-time>

Orientation to Parental Alienation Canada

<https://youtu.be/6zMMuefcV6s>

Adult Children of Parental Alienation Speak Out (US)

<https://www.facebook.com/victimtohero/videos/3080339915594236>

<https://youtu.be/V-WCLkxdm2Y>

Australia Mums, Dads, Grandparents in Distress Helpline

Parents Beyond Breakup

1300 853 437

Continuing Education ...

For Parents –

Parental Alienation Training for Parents (Europe)

<https://parentalalienation.eu/parental-alienation-training-for-targeted-parents/rejection-by-your-child-in-cases-of-parental-alienation/>

International Support Network of Alienated Families – Round Tables

<https://isnaf.info/roundtables/>

Boundaries Roundtable

In this program you will understand why boundaries are critical to your entire well-being. You will identify where you have weak boundaries and create healthy boundaries while learning how to enforce your healthy boundaries. When you have strong healthy boundaries, you will no longer have abusive personalities in your life. Abusive people migrate to people with weak boundaries.

Communications / Negotiation Roundtable

This program was designed to give you the tools necessary to manage your case and interfacing with the multitude of people you will have to deal with. Some of these include Attorneys, Minors Council, GAL, Therapists, Evaluators, Teachers, Administrators, Police, Child Protective Services, Friends, Family and the community at large. You will learn how to identify personalities and their needs so you can effectively communicate with them to achieve your desired results. Learning these skills is imperative to being powerful in managing your PA case.

Reunification Strategies Roundtable

In this group you will learn the things that need to be in place for children to be available to reunify. You have more power than you know. This group talks about what can be done to attract your children back into your life. As a group you create individual action plans to take into your week, arriving back to the following session with your results and discussing any challenges. The group works together to help resolve any challenges. If you have procrastinated reaching out to your alienated child or you just don't know what to do this group will help you move forward with support and compassion. "You miss 100% of the shots you don't take" - Wayne Gretzky.

For Psychologists -

Together with the National Association of Parental Alienation Specialists (NAOPAS), PASG offers a two-hour video that is primarily intended for psychologists. This course is cosponsored with The Center for Human Potential of America, Inc., which is an approved sponsor of continuing education for psychologists. The Center for Human Potential of America is responsible for the content of the program. The fee is \$70.

The video consists of three parts: an explanation of the Five-Factor Model for the diagnosis of parental alienation; an explanation of why parents who engage in alienating behaviors are committing both family violence and child psychological abuse; and a video by an alienated parent.

Access this two-hour video here: <https://naopas-learning-center.thinkific.com/courses/introduction-to-parental-alienation>

For Attorneys –

Parental Alienation 101 & 102 (3 CLEs and 2 CLEs)

A compilation of articles, studies, and presentations related to PA. Approved for 3 hours of continuing legal education (CLE) credits by The Pennsylvania Bar. Attorneys from other states may also be eligible for these credits if their own state's bar association has a reciprocal agreement regarding CLE's with The Pennsylvania Bar.

[Parental Alienation 101 \(voomly.com\)](https://voomly.com)

For Attorneys and Mental Health Professionals –

Effective Litigation of Family Law Cases: Level 1, 2, & 3

This program has been approved for 15 CLEs by The Florida Bar. Attorneys from other states may also be eligible for these credits if their own state's bar association has a reciprocal agreement regarding CLE's with The Florida Bar. Many states do. Also, this program has been approved for 15 hours of continuing education (CE) credits by The Center for Human Potential of America, Inc., which is an approved sponsor of continuing education for psychologists. The Center for Human Potential of America is responsible for the content of the program. Other mental health professionals may also receive CE credits if their licensing board accepts educational programs provided by sponsors approved by the American Psychological Association. Many licensing boards for mental health professionals, other than psychologists, accept APA sponsors' programs.

Registration for the program through PASG offers each attendee a discounted fee for the course, reduced from \$700 to \$425. In order to be eligible for this discount, access this online course here. Then click on "Buy Now" and go to the next screen. Look for "Have a Coupon," click on it, type PASG and the discount will be applied immediately. If you have problems with the registration process, contact Dr. Bob Evans (drevans@drbobevans.com or 727-786-0600).

Access these trainings here: <https://naopas-learning-center.thinkific.com/bundles/effective-litigation-of-parental-alienation-basic-intermediate-advanced>

Post Graduate Certificate in Alienation Studies

Parental Alienation Europe

<https://parentalalienation.eu/post-graduate-award-in-parental-alienation-studies/>

Parental Alienation Training for Professionals (Europe)

<https://parentalalienation.eu/training-for-professionals/>

Take Action ...

Sign Petitions

Go to the website link noted below and type Parental Alienation in the Search bar. You can add 2023 for the most recent petitions or you can add US, UK, Europe, Poland, Australia, India, Pakistan, Ireland, Canada, Brazil, etc. Thank you for taking action! <https://www.change.org/>

Please send an email to pasgnewsletterevents@gmail.com if you are aware of any upcoming events or beneficial websites. Thank you!



Masters in Parental Alienation Studies

We are delighted to invite applications for the Post Graduate Certificate, the Post Graduate Diploma, and the Masters in Parental Alienation Studies.

Enrolling now for commencement scheduled in April 2024.

This program will be delivered online.

The Program

There is growing awareness of the widespread harm caused by Parental Alienation to children, young people, individuals, families, and society at large.

In an experiential and participative environment this program offers learners the opportunity to acquire key skills and theoretical knowledge to effectively engage with individuals and families experiencing Parental Alienation.

Who is this course for?

The master's degree in Parental Alienation Studies is a comprehensive professional training program focused upon identifying, assessing, intervening, and reporting effectively with individuals and families experiencing Parental Alienation.

The programmes are accredited by:

Malta's Further and Higher Education Authority and is designed to supplement learner's existing qualifications. The course is intended for professionals and others currently or considering working with children, young people, individuals and families across the social, mental health, statutory and voluntary sectors who wish to enhance their qualifications and to gain contemporary theoretical knowledge and skills to work with those affected by Parental Alienation.

Duration: One academic year

Award: Post Graduate Certificate in Parental Alienation Studies

Academic Level: 7 (Malta)

Timetable: One weekend a month Saturday and Sunday

Location: Online via Zoom

Modules

- Historical and Contemporary Theory of Parental Alienation
- Assessment processes in Parental Alienation
- Evidence Based Best Practice Interventions for Moderate and Severe Parental Alienation
- Legal report writing for the family law courts.
- Child Development, Attachment, and the Family Theory

Learners can exit the programme at the end of year two with an accredited Post Graduate Certificate in Parental Alienation Studies.

Entry Requirements:

Level 6 (Malta) / Level 7 / 8 (Ireland) bachelor's degree Level in humanities, Social, Legal, Educational, Mental Health, Medical, Social Work, Nursing, Psychology, Psychotherapy. Counselling or Childcare.

Course Fees to be confirmed for 2024.

A Payment plan will be available. Applicants pay 500-euro deposit on acceptance onto the program and the balance in 6 monthly instalments. Please note that this plan will operate by direct debit only and is inclusive of €100.00 administration fee.

Application process

Please make sure you have read the Course Information before you complete your application. Eligible applications must be fully completed, signed, and be accompanied by the following documents:

- Curriculum Vitae
- At least one written recent reference to support application
- A copy of the relevant certificates
- A recent original Police Conduct/Clearance Certificate
- A Non-Refundable Application Processing Fee of €50 is payable in order to process your application and verify your documentation.

Should you be accepted, you will receive a confirmation notice. You will then be provided with a link to pay for your enrolment on the program.

To commence your application simply go to this link:

<https://parentalalienation.eu/post-graduate-award-in-parental-alienation-studies/?kuid=6a756e0d-ac91-458c-bd7e-9e7e2effd993&kref=https%3A%2F%2Fparentalalienation.eu%2F>

[Master of Science in Parental Alienation Studies](#)

Post Graduate Diploma in Parental Alienation Studies:

Duration: One academic Year.

Award: The Post Graduate Diploma in Parental Alienation Studies.

Academic Level: 7 (Malta)

Timetable: One weekend per month.

Location: Online

Course Fees: To be Confirmed.

Entry Requirements:

Completion of the Post Graduate Certificate in Parental Alienation Studies (above).

Modules:

- Module 6 Research Methods in Parental Alienation
- Module 7 Emerging Developments in Parental Alienation Studies
- Module 8 Forensic Interviewing Skills
- Module 9 Ethics in the Practice and Research of Parental Alienation
- Module 10 Personal & Professional Development: Themes in Self Reflexivity

Learners can exit the programme at the end of year two without submitting a dissertation with an accredited Post Graduate Diploma in Parental Alienation Studies.

Masters in Parental Alienation Studies

Learners are awarded the Masters in Parental Alienation Studies on completion, submission and grading of a dissertation – Module 11.

Award: Master's degree in Parental Alienation Studies.

Academic Level: 7 (Malta)

Location: Online

Course Fees: To be Confirmed.

Entry Requirements:

Completion of the Post Graduate Diploma in Parental Alienation Studies (above).

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Promoting the child's best interests

(a draft with reservation for changes)

See the website, PASG NORWAY, pasg.no)

Wednesday 4 September 2024

17-19 Welcome Reception in Oslo Rådhus

Short speech by a politician from Oslo City Council

Ole Asbjørn Næss – stand up

Hanne Ramsdal, an adult alienated as a child with two songs from her songplay called “Fa(r)en”

In a yet not decided location

19-20 Press conference, an erased mother and an adult, alienated as a child, introduce the topic of the conference. A brand new book will then be presented, a book to inform and inspire the millions of children and adults around every child harmed by what is called parent alienation. Eivind Meland, medical professor from Bergen, Norway, and Lena Hellblom Sjögren, Swedish researcher and investigative psychologist, co-ordinators for PASG 2024 wish you all welcome to this international conference Thursday and Friday.



Location for the conference: the Deichmann Library in Oslo City Centre
Posters and book tables outside the main conference room

Participation fees:

Personal presence: 3000 NOK (lunch not included, as there is 90 minutes for lunch)

Electronic participants: 1500 NOK

Thursday 5 September 2024, 8-12

The child's legal and human rights

8.00 Registration starts. Coffee, tea, water, biscuits

8.30 Welcome greetings and some practical information

8.40 William Bernet, guest of honour "*So many perspectives: Can we have constructive dialogue with critics and deniers of parental alienation theory?*"

9.10 Five minutes break

9.15 Dialogue: An ex. judge at the ECHR and Geir Kjell Andersland, Norwegian politician and lawyer: *How the ECHR has dealt with PA cases and how their judgement should influence other courts in Europe.*

10.25 Five minutes break

10.30 Dialogue: Philip Marcus, retired family court judge from Israel and Camilla Bernt, Norwegian law professor : *Major challenges for the pursuit of the child's best interests in the legal system*

11.20 Lecture: Alan Blotcky, Clinical Associate Professor, Dept.of Psychology, University of Alabama: *The ABCs of expert testimony in cases regarding making a formerly loved parent dangerous for the child*

11.50 Ashish Joshi, lawyer Ann Arbor, US: *In the Best Interests of Children: How American Family Courts Have Assessed the Role of Parental Alienation in Child Custody Cases*

12.30. LUNCH

Thursday 5 September 2024, afternoon, 14-17.30

The child's fundamental needs and health

14.00 Lecture: Edward Kruk, professor emeritus at the University of British Columbia, Canada: *What are the child's fundamental needs to promote health?*

14.40 Lecture: Jennifer Harman, psychologist and assistant professor Ft Collins, Colorado, US: *The promotion of the child's best interests - science and science denial.*

15.15 Ten minutes break

15.25 Lecture: Brian O'Sullivan, Founder Parental Alienation Europe, Founding Editor of the European Journal of Parental Alienation Practice: *Reunification work in Ireland.*

15.55 Videotaped lecture and on Zoom link 10 minutes: Pehr Granqvist, professor in psychology, Stockholm University. *Attachment goes to court.*

16.30 Participants, in smaller gatherings, discuss: *How does a loss of a formerly loved and loving parent who is good enough affect a child?*

16.45 *Panel* of some of the day's presenters and comments from the participants.
Moderators: Sigga Sólan, Iceland and Jesper Lohse, Denmark

17.30 END

19.00 *Supper arrangement* for the conference members who have chosen to have a meal together with other participants at the conference, and have paid in advance.

Friday 6 September 2024, 9.00-12.00

Disturbed parent-child relations – damaging to the child

8.30 Film by Paulo Chavarria: *“The bothersome father”*

9.00 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS IN DIFFERENT LOCATIONS

1. Research Break out room 1

Research, adequate help and adequate concepts for children at risk

Moderators: Else Marit Inderberg and Eivind Meland who work out a detailed program for these presentations, and also a panel discussion led by them.

9.05 Preludium, dialogue by Frode Thuen, Hedvig Montgomery, therapists, and Jørgen Sundby, assistant professor Sociology of Law

9.35 Norwegian researchers present their research relevant to promoting the child's best interests.

12.30 LUNCH

2. Research Breakout room 2

Research and law (reform)

Moderators: Øyvind Østerberg and Robert Sandholm who work out a detailed program for these presentations, and also a panel discussion led by them.

9.05 Preludium by William Fabricius, who in a youtube interview made by Sigga Sólan and Brjann Jónsson, tells about *Research that changed the law statutes in Arizona, USA*

9.15 International researchers present their research relevant to laws promoting the child's best interests.

12.30 LUNCH

3. Experiences and mastering Breakout room 3

Targeted by the loss of a loved one, but not because of physical death

Moderators: Sigga Solán and Brjálln Jónsson who work out a detailed program for these presentations, and also summarize at the end. Summarizing translations from Norwegian to English is offered.

9.05 Preludium one: Hanne Ramsdal, a Norwegian adult who experienced the loss of a contact with a parent during her childhood

9.20 Preludium two: Bryan Souders. US-father with two adult daughters with a Swedish mother tells about his experiences presented in his book

9.40 Experiences and knowledge needed presented and discussed by parents, grandparents, and adult children who were alienated when they were young

12.30 LUNCH

Friday 6 September 2024, 14.00-18.00

Relevant help for the child

14.00 *Reports* from the three parallel seminars about research, law making, poster presentations and experiences from Friday morning that gives ideas what can be helpful for a child living under coercive control, learning to hate a formerly loved parent

Moderators: Eivind Meland and Lena Hellblom Sjögren

14.40 Lecture: *Early interventions, scientifically based* Charlie Azzopardi, Family therapist in Malta and co-founder of the Masters program in Parental Alienation together with Brian Sullivan.

15.20 Short break

15.30 Dialogue *Family reunification – failures and success*

Brian Ludmer, attorney, Canada, one of the drafters of Canada's proposed shared parenting legislation and Marie-France Carlier, Judge of the Court of First Instance of Dinant

16.10 Five minutes break

16.15 Dialogue *Social responses to the concept of family and violations of the child's human right to family life*, Teresa Silva, assistant professor, Mid University, Sundsvall, Sweden and Stan Korosi, Phd, Fellow, School of Law and Society, UniSC, Australian Administrator – Family Bridges Workshop, Melbourne, Australia

16.55 Five minutes break

17.00 *Panel* summarizing conclusions about *what is most important to promote the child's best interests*

Moderators: William Bernet and Øyvind Østeberg

17.40 *Closing remarks, 3 minutes each.*

Eivind Meland, alienated child, targeted parent, targeted grandparent, Lena Hellblom Sjögren and William Bernet, founder and president for PASG, Parental Alienation Study Group:

18.00 See you next year at the next PASG 2025 conference in Australia .

WELCOME on a boat tour on the Oslo Fjord Saturday the 7th of September 2024! (Buses from XX will take you down to Akers Brygge where a hired boat leaves at NN.

We kindly ask you who wish to submit abstracts for oral presentations in one of the open sessions Friday morning, or posters and presentations of books/papers, to write to the scientific committee according to instructions and deadlines presented on the website pasg.no.



Guide on Article 8 of the Convention – Right to respect for private and family life. d. Parental allowances, custody/access, and contact-rights”

343. There is a broad consensus – including in international law – in support of the idea that in all decisions concerning children, their best interests must be paramount (Strand Lobben and Others v. Norway [GC], § 207; Neulinger and Shuruk v. Switzerland [GC], § 135; X v. Latvia [GC], § 96). The child’s best interests may, depending on their nature and seriousness, override those of the parents (Sahin v. Germany [GC], § 66). The parents’ interests, especially in having regular contact with their child, nevertheless remain a factor when balancing the various interests at stake (Neulinger and Shuruk v. Switzerland, § 134). **The child’s best interests dictate that the child’s ties with the family must be maintained, except in cases where the family has proved particularly unfit. It follows that family ties may only be severed in very exceptional circumstances and that everything must be done to preserve personal relations and, if and when appropriate, to “rebuild” the family** (Gnahoré v. France, § 59 and for a review of the case-law, Jansen v. Norway, §§ 88-93).

Compiled by Robert Ferrer, PASG Archivist

IN THIS SECTION, ROBERT FERRER, PASG Archivist, provides citations and abstracts for recently published articles related to parental alienation. The citations are entered into the searchable [Parental Alienation Database](#), also accessible from the [PASG website](#). **Many citations will provide access to the full-text version of the article.** To have an article considered for this section, email Robert Ferrer at r-ferrer@illinois.edu

[ABCs of Parental Alienation for Attorneys Who Defend False Allegations of Abuse](#)

By: Alan D. Blotcky (alanblotcky@att.net) and Ashish Joshi (a.joshi@joshiattorneys.com). The Champion (National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers). National Advocacy Calls on Developing Legislation (NACDL.ORG). November/December 2023. Pgs. 24-29.

Abstract: Cases of physical and sexual abuse against children are deeply concerning. These cases are particularly egregious when they involve a parent. No matter who the alleged abuser is, all child complaints of abuse must be taken seriously. While research shows that a vast majority of allegations reported by children are true, sometimes children falsely accuse a parent of abuse. For instance, if a child is in the middle of a contentious custody battle, allegations of abuse can be initiated by a child at the behest of an alienating parent. When this happens, the fallout can have grave consequences for the accused. In our collective experience as a clinical and forensic psychologist and a family law attorney, we have been involved in many cases where parental alienation is the driving force in a criminal charge of abuse against a parent.

Subjects: Parental Alienation, False Allegations, Abuse, Attorneys

[Gender and child custody outcomes across 16 years of judicial decisions regarding abuse and parental alienation](#)

By: Jennifer Harman (jennifer.harman@colostate.edu), Christine Giancarlo (cgiancarlo@mtroyal.ca), Demosthenes Lorandos (Dr.Lorandos@LitigatorsHandbook.com), and Brian Ludmer (brian@ludmerlaw.com). Children and Youth Services Review (Elsevier). 155 (2023) 107187. October 11, 2023. 13p.

Abstract: There have been legislative efforts to control how child custody decisions are handled in family courts where allegations of abuse and of parental alienation (PA) are levied. The “findings” reported to support such legislation have been based on one unreviewed study with identified methodological issues (Harman & Lorandos, 2021). We tested six pre-registered hypotheses to determine whether there is empirical support for the “research findings” used to support these laws. Five-hundred PA cases were sequentially selected from 4,889 Canadian trial court decisions. Independent coders who were blind to the hypotheses coded all cases for details about custody and allegations of abuse. We failed to find support for the “findings” that have been used to support legislative changes. For example, this study focused only upon cases where PA was determined to actually have occurred in at least one of the children in the family. It differs from Harman & Lorandos (2021) in that this study found that alienating mothers’ claims of abuse against known “abusive” alienated fathers were not being discredited more often than they were for alienating fathers. The negative impact of failing to base legislation on a comprehensive consideration of the full scope of scientific evidence available (e.g., Kayden’s Law in the reauthorized Violence Against Women’s Act, 2022) is discussed.

Subjects: Parental alienation, Domestic violence, Intimate partner violence, Child abuse, Family court, Child custody

Opposite sides of the same coin: syndrome evidence, child abuse and the wrongful conviction of Peter Hugh McGregor Ellis

By: Carrie Leonetti (carrie.leonetti@auckland.ac.nz). Psychiatry, Psychology and Law (Routledge), 14 Aug 2023. 26p. DOI: 10.1080/13218719.2023.2206856.

Abstract: Introduction of evidence relating to the now-discredited behavioural-science syndrome known as ‘child sexual abuse accommodation syndrome’ in R v Ellis demonstrates the danger of syndrome reasoning in judicial fact finding. Comparable syndrome evidence is still used in the Family Court in the form of ‘parental alienation syndrome’. Ellis should sound the death knell for all forensic applications of unreliable syndrome reasoning in the courts.

Subjects: Child Abuse; Expert Evidence; Family Court; Syndromes.

Book Review: J. Mercer & M. Drew (Eds.) Challenging parental alienation: New directions for professionals and parents. (Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, 2022, 269 pp.)

Reviewed By: Kathleen Coulborn Faller, University of Michigan School of Social Work, Ann Arbor, MI, USA. DOI: 10.1177/10497315231195828

Note from R. Ferrer: Reviewer endorses the assertions made by J. Mercer, et al, that there is no valid research to support claims of Parental Alienation. Resistance of contact is attributable to Estrangement (justified alienation). The Reviewer concludes: “This book is an excellently argued and well-supported series of chapters on a controversial issue, PA as a counter to allegation to domestic violence, child sexual abuse, and child maltreatment in child custody disputes...”

Subjects: Book Review, Critics, Parental Alienation, Domestic Violence, Child Abuse. ■

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