## Schachner Associates, PC

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### SAMUEL K. SCHACHNER, Ph.D.

### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

## OWNER, MANAGING PSYCHOLOGIST LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST

2011 to Present 12/09 to Present

Schachner Associates, Pittsburgh PA

- Manage group private practice
- Conduct individual, family and group therapy, and vocational counseling
- Perform comprehensive psychological, psycho-educational and clinical evaluations
- Conduct forensic and independent psychological evaluations for child custody, competency, personal injury, sexual offender, criminal and school based risk assessment, and psychological issues pertaining to immigration status
- Provide record review, analysis of evaluations, and expert witness testimony
- Conduct presentations on child custody, diversity, and professional development

**EDUCATION: Doctor of Philosophy in Counseling Psychology** 2008

Temple University, Philadelphia PA

Masters of Science in Counseling Psychology 2001

Northeastern University, Boston MA Child & Adolescent Concentration

LICENSURE: Counseling Psychologist 12/2009

License number PS016724

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#### FORENSIC PRACTICE SPECIALIZATION

- Experience conducting a wide variety of forensic consultation and evaluation
- > Therapist in court-ordered counseling, co-parenting counseling and reunification therapy
- Extensive participation in Continuing Education in forensic psychology topics, including programs in Child Custody, Risk Assessment, Domestic Violence, Parenting Coordination, and Understanding High Conflict Families
  - Conducted by the American Academy of Forensic Psychologists, various presenters for the Pennsylvania Psychological Association, and the Pennsylvania Bar Institute
- ➤ Participation in the Child and Family Project Group, an ongoing Continuing Education program conducted by the Pennsylvania Psychological Association
- ➤ Participation in the Children's Issues Subcommittee, Allegheny County Bar Assoc., Family Law Section
  - Presentations on Court orders for psychological treatment; Parenting Strategies and their impact on shared custody; Bullying specific to aiding divorced parents manage child challenges; and Tele-Psychology Practice Guidelines and their impact on child custody
- > Post-doctoral internship with training in forensic evaluation
- Five years practical training in Forensic practice as a psychometrician

#### ASSESSMENT SPECIALIZATION

- Conduct Learning Disorder, ADHD, Clinical, Vocational and Disability assessments for children, adolescents and adults
- > Taught semester course in Psychological Assessment as Adjunct Instructor
- > Collaborate and consult with schools on appropriate use of IEP's, tutoring, accommodations and learning adaptations
- > Conduct presentations on Gifted Youth and Learning Disability Assessment
- ➤ Ten years training in assessment across college counseling, clinic and private practice settings, including evaluation of ability, achievement, personality, executive functioning, auditory processing, and computerized evaluation of behavior

### CHILD AND ADOLESCENT THERAPY SPECIALIZATION

- ➤ Conduct Individual and Family therapy with children and adolescents
- > Training in youth commission and school clinic settings
- Master's degree concentration in Child and Adolescent development
- > Therapy driven by play therapy model
- > Consult with schools on psycho-educational evaluations
- ➤ Conducted group therapy in school settings
- > Presented workshop on "Facilitating Group Cooperation" for new teachers

#### SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SPECIALIZATION

- Conduct outpatient substance abuse treatment and psycho-education with adolescents and adults
- Experienced substance abuse treatment with population ranging from first time offenders to dual diagnosis long term users
- > Two years training in substance abuse treatment in community mental health and college counseling settings
- > Conducted mandated education workshops and alcohol and drug evaluations
- > Facilitated peer advocacy programs

### **COLLEGE COUNSELING SPECIALIZATION**

- Conduct individual therapy within a school lifespan developmental model for transitioning high school, undergraduate and graduate students
- > Experienced in treatment of non-traditional student populations
- Employ assessment specialization to identify psycho-educational and clinical challenges, recommend appropriate accommodations, and introduce adaptive learning concepts
- > Two years training in college counseling centers
- ➤ Performed dissertation research on Clinical and Cultural Barriers to Help Seeking in African American college students

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & VOLUNTEER POSITIONS:

- American Psychological Association
- Pennsylvania Psychological Association
- Pennsylvania Psychological PAC (PennPsyPAC)
  2012-2016
  - o Board Member
- Greater Pittsburgh Psychological Association

0	GPPA Board Member	2009-2011
0	Treasurer	2009-2010

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Carlow University, Masters in Counseling Program, Pittsburgh PA ADJUNCT PROFESSOR	8/09 to 5/10	
Schachner Associates, Pittsburgh PA		
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR	8/09 to 12/09	
POST DOCTORAL INTERN	6/08 to 7/09	
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR	8/05 to 6/08	
PSYCHOMETRICIAN	2000 to 2005	
Carruth Center for Counseling & Psychological Services, WVU, Morgantown WV		
DOCTORAL INTERN	8/04 to 8/05	
<b>Tuttleman Counseling Services</b> , Temple University, Philadelphia, PA CLINICAL EXTERN	9/03 to 6/04	
<b>Bradley Counseling Clinic</b> , Temple University, Philadelphia, PA THERAPIST	9/02 to 9/03	
<b>Bradley Vocational Counseling Clinic,</b> Temple University, Philadelphia, PA COUNSELOR	9/02 to 12/02	
<b>Psychological Services Center,</b> Temple University, Philadelphia, PA CLINIC ASSISTANT	9/02 to 6/03	
Sobriety Through Out Patient, Philadelphia, PA THERAPIST	2/02 to 8/02	
Needham Youth Commission, Needham MA CLINICAL INTERN	9/00 to 6/01	
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### GUEST LECTURER/ WORKSHOPS/PRESENTATIONS

Pennsylvania Psychological Association, Annual Conference

6/17/2015

• Co-Presented on Brief versus Comprehensive Child custody evaluation models

Children's Issues Subcommittee, Allegheny County Bar Assoc., Family Law Section

• Presented on Court orders for psychological treatment 5/20/2015

Children's Issues Subcommittee, Allegheny County Bar Assoc., Family Law Section

1/21/2014

• Presented on Tele-Psychology Practice Guidelines and their impact on child custody

# **Pennsylvania Psychological Association,** Fall Continuing Education & Ethics Conference 10/31/2013

 Presented on Differential Diagnosis of ADHD, Behavior Problems and Learning Disorders

## **Children's Issues Subcommittee,** Allegheny County Bar Assoc., Family Law Section 4/16/13

• Presented on Bullying and assisting separated/divorced parents in dealing with this topic

### West Virginia University, Counseling Psychology Doctoral Program 11/9/11

• Presented as part of seminar series on Forensic Psychology as a specialization

## **Children's Issues Subcommittee,** Allegheny County Bar Assoc., Family Law Section 2/16/10

• Presentation on Parenting Strategies and their impact on shared custody

### Carlow University 10/18/08

**Guest Lecturer** 

• Presented to Masters level psychology class on therapy with Gifted Youth

### **West Virginia University**

9/12/08

Presented on Clinical and Cultural Barriers to Help Seeking in African American college students at WVU Counseling center

- Discussed model for viewing psychological barriers to help seeking
- Identified barriers to help seeking for an African American undergraduate student population at two Northeastern United States Universities
- Identified differences in expectations between counselors and students
- Presented ideas for consideration towards improving utilization of psychological services for African American college students

### **Duquesne University**

8/22/08

Presented on Clinical and Cultural Barriers to Help Seeking in African American college students at Duquesne University Counseling Center

- Discussed model for viewing psychological barriers to help seeking
- Identified barriers to help seeking for an African American undergraduate student population at two Northeastern United States Universities
- Identified differences in expectations between counselors and students
- Presented ideas for consideration towards improving utilization of psychological services for African American college students

### **West Virginia University**

5/07

Presented on Child Custody Evaluations at WVU Counseling center

- Presented review of comprehensive child custody evaluations to center interns
- Discussion of APA guidelines and articles, purpose and role of evaluations, assessment strategy and measures, interview and report format, and ethical challenges

### **West Virginia University**

9/04 & 3/05

Guest Lecturer on Stress Management

- Co-presented Stress Management class for Business and Economics seniors preparing to graduate.
- Taught six B&E class sections, including review of types of stressors, examples of personal and environmental stressors, and stress reduction techniques

### West Virginia University

11/04

Presented on Introduction to Learning Disability assessment

- Conducted Learning Disability Assessment presentation to Student Affairs Tutors
- Introduced tutors to key facts about Learning Disorders and Disabilities, including definitions, factors, myths and testing procedures
- Highlighted services available at the Carruth Center and led question and answers session

### **Temple University**

9/03 to 6/04

**Tuttleman Counseling Center** 

- Conducted mandated education workshops for undergraduate student first time offenders of university substance use policy
- Presented substance use information in clinical, interactional (game) and educational formats
- Participated in the development of workshop curriculum and substance use research

### **Temple University**

9/01 to 6/03

Group leader for Temple University Masters in Counseling group psychology class

- Group leader for four semesters of experiential group learning
- Co-leader for weekly experiential group for Masters level counseling psychology students; work with students in exploration of group experience
- Guest seminar co-leader for class on working levels of group counseling
- Participate in weekly group supervision

### Philadelphia Public School District

3/03

Consultant for New Teacher Taskforce

- Conducted workshop on "Facilitating Group Cooperation" for the New Teacher Core
  Team
- Provided instructional materials on group process and example group activities