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JURY AND TRIAL CONSULTANT

Consultant to civil and criminal trial attorneys pre-trial and in court in the areas of trial strategy, jury selection and voir dire.

Pre-trial consultation may include community surveys, litigation of voir dire and jury selection issues, focus group and other social science research, design of juror questionnaires, and development of voir dire questions and issues.

Trial consultation may also include witness preparation, case strategy, theory and theme development, and assessing effects of pre-trial publicity in applicable cases.

Pre-trial and in-court jury and trial consultation experience in numerous State and Federal District Courts throughout the United States.

Extensive experience with pretrial publicity, having been trial consultant for the defense in State of South Carolina vs. Susan Smith, U.S. v. Theodore Kaczynski, State of Georgia vs. Ray Lewis, U.S. vs. Eric Rudolph, U.S. v. Richard Scrushy.

TEACHING POSITIONS

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

2005-present Adjunct Professor

NATIONAL CRIMINAL DEFENSE COLLEGE

1991-present Trial Practice Institute - Faculty
Mercer Law School, Macon, Georgia

1991-1999 Advanced Seminar in Case Theory:
Voir Dire Through Closing Argument
Faculty
Denver Colorado; Atlanta, Georgia

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TRIAL ADVOCACY

1991-2000 Trial Practice Institute - Faculty
Host : University of Georgia School of Law
Athens, Georgia

INSTITUTE OF CRIMINAL DEFENSE ADVOCACY

1999 Trial Practice Institute - Faculty
Host: California Western University
San Diego, California

WESTERN INSTITUTE OF TRIAL ADVOCACY

1998 Trial Practice Institute-Faculty
Host: University of Wyoming
Laramie, Wyoming

NEW YORK STATE DEFENDERS' ASSOCIATION

1991-1996 Trial Practice Institute - Faculty
Troy, New York

GUEST/INVITED LECTURES

(representative list)

2002 Emory University School of Law - Kessler
Eidson Program for Trial Techniques,
Strategies for Successful Voir Dire lecture

1991 – 1999 Georgia State University, Department of
Psychology. Guest lecturer as part of
Applied Psychology coursework teaching
Psychology in the Law; and as part of the
College Honors "Psychology in the Law"
symposia

1992 - 2005 Georgia State University College of Law
Guest lecturer on jury selection and

witness preparation - Advanced
Criminal Litigation course

1996-2001
Gonzaga College of Law, Spokane Washington
Externship Program and C.L.E for Spokane
Bar Association - "Jury Selection
"Preparing A Client to Testify"

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION LECTURES AND SEMINARS

(Representative List)

2004
Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
"Who Gives A *%#&*#?' - Helping the Jury
Find the Meaning of Your Case"
Savannah, Georgia

2003
National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
"Tools for Testifying: Using Your Client to
Communicate Your Theory of the Case"
New Orleans, Louisiana

2003
Georgia Association of Trial Lawyers
"What Trial Lawyers Are Learning From Focus
Groups About Plaintiff's Cases"
Atlanta, Georgia

2003
Atlanta Bar Association, Employment Section
"101 Uses for a Trial Consultant"
Atlanta, Georgia

2001
American Society of Trial Consultants
Trial Consulting 101
Williamsburg, Virginia

2000
I.C.L.E. in Georgia
Jury Selection in Business Litigation
Atlanta, Georgia

1999
Georgia Institute of Trial Advocacy
Trial Advocacy Seminar
"Finding the Meaning of Your Case"
GPTV, Atlanta, Georgia

- 1998 C.J.A. Panel Attorney Training
"Lessons Learned from The Susan Smith
Co-Presenter with Judy Clarke
Estes Park, Colorado
- 1998 Federal Bar Association
"Communicating in the Courtroom"
Spokane, Washington
- 1997 South Carolina Public Defender Conference
"Focus Groups - Hot New Defense Tool"
Charleston, South Carolina
- 1997 Federal Bar Association
"Effective Voir Dire"
Spokane, Washington
- 1996 Institute of Continuing Legal Education
"The First Basic Principle of Advocacy: Persuasion"
Atlanta, Georgia
- 1996 Indiana Public Defender Council
"Strategies for Effective Voir Dire"
Atlanta, Georgia
- 1995 Indiana Continuing Legal Education
Foundation, "Jury Selection in a
Complex Case"; featured speaker
along with Johnny Cochran.
Indianapolis, Indiana
- 1995 Georgia Trial Lawyers Association
Start to Finish Seminar
"Things That Make A Difference in Difficult
Cases - Theories and Themes"
Co-Presenter with Elissa Krauss,
National Jury Project
Atlanta, Georgia
- 1995 "Uncensored Advocacy: The Ultimate
Federal Practice Experience."
Lecture: Effective Courtroom
Communications. Denver, Colorado
- 1995 Greater Cincinnati Criminal

- Defense Lawyers Association
"Forensic Evidence" Lecture:
Presenting Expert Testimony
to a Jury. Cincinnati, Ohio
- 1995 The Federal Bar Association.
"Thrills and Skills: Advanced
Trial Advocacy." Lecture: "What,
Me, Put on a Witness?"
Spokane, Washington
- 1994 "Only the Strong Survive" - Federally
funded continuing legal education for
C.J.A. panel attorneys. Lecture:
Effective Courtroom Communications
- 1994 National Association of Criminal Defense
Lawyers. Lecture: Addressing the Theory
of the Case in Voir Dire. Houston, Texas
- 1994 Federal Public Defender, Central District
Of California - Expert Witness Seminar
"Integrating the Theory of Defense Through Experts"
Los Angeles, California

PANELS/PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS

- 1995 The Sixth Annual Forum on the Bill of
Rights in memory of Judge Robert Vance,
sponsored by the Federal Bar Association,
Atlanta, Georgia. Panelist.
- 1991 American Bar Association, Annual Meeting.
Commission on Opportunities for Minorities
in the Profession, Litigation Section,
"Phobia Tort: Maximizing and Minimizing
Fear." Panelist.
- 1991 *Hormone Research, International Journal of
Experimental and Clinical Endocrinology.*
"Salivary Testosterone Measurements among
Women: Relative Magnitude of Circadian
Cycles." Vol. 35, 182-184. (Co-Author,
James M. Dabbs, Ph.D.)

- 1990 *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.
"Testosterone and Occupational Choice: Actors,
Ministers and Other Men." Vol. 59, No. 6, 1261-
1265. (Co-Author, James M. Dabbs, Ph.D.)
- 1989 American Psychological Association Annual
Meeting. Featured Presenter, A.P.A.
Science Doctorate, Biological and Cultural
Bases of Behavior: "Testosterone as a
Predictor of Behavior Differences Among
Men." (Co-Author, James M. Dabbs, Ph.D.)
- 1988 American Psychological Association Annual
Meeting. Presenter: "Attributional
Responses by Victims and Nonvictims."
(Co-Author, R. Barry Ruback, Ph.D.)
- 1987 Southeastern Psychological Association,
Presenter: "Throwing Caution to the
Wind: Attributions by Risk Takers"
(Co-Author, R. Barry Ruback, Ph.D.)
- 1987 THESIS: "Behavioral Attributions by
Victims and Nonvictims" Department
of Psychology, Georgia State University,
Pullen Library, Atlanta, Georgia

PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 1986-1988 Assisted in research design, data
studies on hormones and behavior,
emphasis on imprisoned and paroled
populations. Research funded in part
by the Antisocial and Violent Behavior
Branch of the National Institute of Mental Health.
- 1986-1987 Performed psychological and cognitive
assessments on patients with psycho-
neurological deficits at Grady Memorial
Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 1985-1987 Performed psychological assessments of
"at-risk" adolescents in selected public
schools in metropolitan Atlanta. Study
funded by National Institute of Alcohol

Abuse and Alcoholism, Washington, D.C.

EDUCATION/TRAINING

Bachelor of Science Degree with Distinction in Psychology,
Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, 1987

Juris Doctor Degree. Georgia University College of Law,
Atlanta, Georgia, 1995

Basic Mediation Training, Resolution Resources Corporation
Atlanta, Georgia, 1999

Domestic Mediation Training, Atlanta Divorce Mediators, Inc.,
Atlanta, Georgia, 1999

MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Trial Consultants

DeKalb County Bar Association

Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

State Bar of Georgia

HONORS

Recipient of the 2001 *Glenda Hatchett Volunteer of the Year Award*, Truancy
Intervention Project, Fulton County, Georgia