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Education

- Ph.D. Drexel University, Clinical Psychology with a Forensic Concentration (September 2012).
- J.D. Villanova University School of Law (Cum Laude, May 2011).
- M.S. Drexel University, Clinical Psychology with a Forensic Concentration (December 2008).
- B.A. Lycoming College, Psychology (Valedictorian, Summa Cum Laude, May 2004).

Licensure

Licensed Attorney, Pennsylvania (Attorney ID 312182) (December 2011-present, voluntary inactive status as of July 2015)

Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Virginia (Psychologist ID 0810004788) (May 2013-present)

Current Positions

Assistant Professor, University of Virginia School of Medicine, Department of Public Health Sciences (September 2015 – present)

Licensed Clinical Psychologist, University of Virginia, Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy, Forensic Psychiatry Clinic (May 2013 – present)

Professorial Lecturer of Forensic Psychology, George Washington University, Columbian College of Arts & Sciences (July 2014 – present)

Clinical Research Extramural Fellowship (Loan Repayment Program), National Institutes of Health (July 2013 – present)

Publications

Zelle, H., Oliver, J. E., Bonnie, R. J., Binns, M. D., & Pharis, V. (scheduled for release August 2015). *Implementing Advance Directives in Mental Health Services: A Manual for Providers and Advocates*. Retrieval from Virginia Advance Directives website: <http://www.virginiaadvancedirectives.org>.

Zelle, H., Kemp, K., & Bonnie, R.J. (scheduled for publication October 2015). Advance directives in mental health care: Evidence, challenges and promise. *World Psychiatry*.

Zelle, H., Riggs Romaine, C. L., Goldstein, N. E. S. (scheduled for publication 2015). Juveniles' Miranda comprehension: Understanding, appreciation, and totality of circumstances factors. *Law and Human Behavior*.

- Zelle, H., Kemp, K., & Bonnie, R. J.** (2015). Advance directives for mental health care: Innovation in law, policy, and practice. *Psychiatric Services, 66*, 7-9.
- Kemp, K., **Zelle, H.**, & Bonnie, R. J. (2015). Embedding advance directives in routine care for persons with serious mental illness: The challenge of implementation. *Psychiatric Services, 66*, 10-14.
- Murrie, D. C. & **Zelle, H.** (2014). Criminal Competencies. In B. L. Cutler & P. A. Zapf (Eds.), *APA Handbook of Forensic Psychology*. Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, & Grisso, T. (2014). *The Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments: Manual for Juvenile and Adult Evaluations*. Sarasota, FL: Professional Resource Press.
- Zelle, H.** & Binns, M. D. (2014, Summer). Adding advance care planning to the criminal justice diversion dialogue. *American Psychological-Law Society Newsletter*. Retrieved from http://apls.wildapricot.org/resources/Documents/apls_summer2014.pdf
- Goldstein, N. E., Goldstein, A. M., & **Zelle, H.** (2012). Capacity to Waive *Miranda* Rights and the Assessment of the Validity of Confessions. In A. M. Goldstein (Ed.), *Handbook of psychology: Volume 11, Forensic Psychology*. New York: John Wiley & Sons.
- Goldstein, N. E., Goldstein, A. M., & **Zelle, H.** (2012). Evaluating Capacity to Waive *Miranda* Rights. In R. Roesch & P. A. Zapf (Eds.), *Forensic Assessments in Criminal and Civil Law: A Handbook for Lawyers*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., Messenheimer, S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., & **Zelle, H.** (2012). Potential impact of juvenile suspects' linguistic abilities on *Miranda* understanding and appreciation. In P. Tiersma & L. Solan (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook on Linguistics and Law*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, & Grisso, T. (2012). *The Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments*. Sarasota, FL: Professional Resource Press.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, & Grisso, T. (2012). *The Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments: Manual*. Sarasota, FL: Professional Resource Press.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., **Zelle, H.**, Kalbeitzer, R., Mesiarik, C., & Wolbransky, M. (2011). Psychometric properties of the *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments* with a juvenile justice sample. *Assessment, 18*(4), 428-441.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., Kalbeitzer, R., & **Zelle, H.** (2008). Grisso's instruments for assessing comprehension of *Miranda* rights. In B.L. Cutler (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Psychology and Law*. California: Sage Publications.

In preparation

- Kemp., K, Goldstein, N., **Zelle, H.**, Viljoen, J., Heilbrun, K., & DeMatteo, D. (submitted for review). Building consensus on the characteristics of developmental immaturity: A cross-disciplinary survey of psychologists. *Criminal Justice & Behavior*.

- Zelle, H.** & Messenheimer Kelley, S. (in preparation). Capacity to waive *Miranda* rights. In D. Lorandos (Ed.) *Litigators' Handbook of Forensic Medicine, Psychiatry, and Psychology*. Thomson Reuters.
- Kelley, S., **Zelle, H.**, & Goldstein, N. E. S. (in preparation). Review of research on the understanding and appreciation of *Miranda* warnings. In B. Bornstein & M. Miller (Eds.) *Advances in Psychology and Law*. Springer.
- Zelle, H.**, Goldstein, N. E. S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., & Kemp, K. (in preparation). Examination of the factor structure of the capacity to waive *Miranda* rights.
- Zelle, H.** & Neal, T. M. S. (in preparation). Defining the Theoretical and Practical Contours of Adjudicative Competency Restoration Treatment
- Neal, T. M. S. & **Zelle, H.** (in preparation). Unpacking effective elements of adjudicative competency restoration programs.
- Messenheimer, S., Goldstein, N. E. S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., & **Zelle, H.** (in preparation). Impact of *Miranda* warning wording complexity on delinquent youths' understanding and appreciation of rights.

Professional Presentations

- Zelle, H.** & Neal, T. M. S. Jurisprudent therapy: Framing the theoretical and ethical contours of competence restoration. (March 2015). Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, San Diego, CA.
- NeMoyer, A., Messenheimer Kelley, S., Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, Yasuhara, K., Feierman, J., McKitten, R., & Shah, R. (March 2014). Why lawyers don't always challenge defendants' competence to plead guilty: A survey of juvenile and criminal defense attorneys. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, New Orleans, LA.
- Messenheimer Kelley, S., Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, Brogan, L., & Johnson, S. (March 2014). Preserving precedent or creating a unicorn? A five-year update on *Miranda*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, New Orleans, LA.
- Oliver, J. & **Zelle, H.** (September 2013). Advance directives: Advance care planning tools with implications for the intersection of criminal justice and mental health care. CLE workshop to be presented at the Cross-Systems Collaboration between Legal and Mental Health Partners conference of the *Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services*, Virginia Beach, VA.
- Oliver, J., **Zelle, H.**, Constantine, M., & Pratt, T. (May 2013). Advance directives: How to best incorporate psychiatric preferences into health care decisions. Workshop presented at the annual training conference of the *Virginia Association of Community Service Boards*, Virginia Beach, VA.
- Zelle, H.**, Bonnie, R. J., Swanson, J., & Kemp, K. (March 2013). Promoting the use of psychiatric advance directives: Implementing Virginia's Health Care Decisions Act. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Portland, OR.

- Zelle, H.**, Goldstein, N. E. S., Pennacchia, D., Ebecke, J., Schecker, M., & Arnold, S. (March 2012). Judges' treatment of the knowing and intelligent requirements for *Miranda* waivers. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, San Juan, PR.
- Peterson, Lindsey, Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, Taormina, S., & Rharbite, S. (March 2012). How great is the risk of juvenile false confession?: Juvenile offenders' and adults' perceptions. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, San Juan, PR.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., Goldstein, A. M., & **Zelle, H.** (March 2011). The *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments*: A review of the changes from the original Instruments for Assessing Understanding and Appreciation of *Miranda* Rights and implications for the instruments' use in forensic practice. Workshop presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Miami, FL.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, Riggs Romaine, C., & Serico, J. (March 2011). To confess or not to confess: Relationship between false confessions and *Miranda* Understanding and Appreciation. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Miami, FL.
- Zelle, H.**, Riggs Romaine, C., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (March 2011). Valid *Miranda* Waivers: The Distinction between Knowing and Intelligent. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Miami, FL.
- Kemp, K., Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, Rharbite, S., & Golden J. (March 2011). Constructing developmental immaturity: An exploratory factor analysis. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Miami, FL.
- Pennacchia, D., Wrazien, L., **Zelle, H.**, Prelic, A., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (March 2011). False confession risk factor ratings by college students with and without criminal justice course experience. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Miami, FL.
- Zelle, H.**, Goldstein, N. E. S., & Riggs Romaine, C. L. (March 2010). Juveniles' understanding and appreciation of 5th and 6th Amendment rights after *Montejo v. Louisiana*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Vancouver, B.C.
- Zelle, H.**, Goldstein, N. E. S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., & Serico, J. (March 2010). *Miranda* rights understanding and appreciation: The relationship between *totality of circumstances* factors. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Vancouver, B.C.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., Lane, C., **Zelle, H.**, Serico, J., Kemp, K., Kelly, M., Wrazien, L., Golden, J., & Schwartz, H. (March 2010). An anger management intervention for female juvenile offenders. Sex and Gender Research Forum, Institute for Women's Health and Leadership, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA.
- Messenheimer, S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., Wolbransky, M., **Zelle, H.**, Serico, J. M., Wrazien, L., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (March 2009). Readability and comprehension: A comparison of the two versions of the *Miranda* rights assessment instruments. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, San Antonio, TX.

- Kalbeitzer, R., Strachan, M., Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, & Riggs Romaine, C. L. (March 2009). Comparison of normative juvenile offender data with a group of community adolescents. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, San Antonio, TX.
- Zelle, H.**, Kemp, K., Riggs Romaine C. L., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (March 2009). Factor Structure of the *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments-II*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, San Antonio, TX.
- Wrazien, L., **Zelle, H.**, Taormina, S., Alexander, I., Freeland, R., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (March 2009). The effect of age and gender on the perception of legality of police interrogation tactics. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, San Antonio, TX.
- Taormina, S., Wrazien, L., **Zelle, H.**, & Goldstein, N.E. (March 2009). Perceptions of police interrogation tactics with juveniles. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, San Antonio, TX.
- Zelle, H.**, Riggs Romaine, C. L., Serico, J. M., Wolbransky, M., Osman, D. A., Taormina, S., Wrazien, L., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (August 2008). Adolescents' *Miranda* rights comprehension: The impact of verbal expressive abilities. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychological Association*, Boston, MA.
- Kemp, K., **Zelle, H.**, Riggs Romaine, C. L., Goldstein, N. E. S., & Sinha, R. (August 2008). Tridimensional Personality Questionnaire with an Adult Probation Population. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychological Association*, Boston, MA.
- Riggs Romaine, C. L., **Zelle, H.**, Wolbransky, M., Zelechowski, A. D., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (August 2008). Juvenile *Miranda* Rights comprehension: Comparing understanding in two states. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychological Association*, Boston, MA.
- Zelle, H.**, Goldstein, N. E. S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., Serico, J.M., Kemp, K., & Taormina, S. (March 2008). Factor Structure of the *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments-II*. Part of a symposium: The *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments-II*. Presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Riggs Romaine, C. L., Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, Heilburn, A., Wolbransky, M. (March 2008). Then and Now: Comparing Juveniles' Comprehension of the *Miranda* Warning in the 1970s and Today. Part of a symposium: The *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments-II*. Presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., **Zelle, H.**, Kalbeitzer, R., Serico, J., & Wrazien, L. (March 2008). Juveniles' Comprehension of the *Miranda* Warnings in the 21st Century. Part of a symposium: The *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments-II*. Presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Kalbeitzer, R., Goldstein, N.E., Riggs Romaine, C. L., Mesiarik, C., & **Zelle, H.** (March 2008). Reliability and Validity of the *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments -II*. Part of a symposium: The *Miranda Rights Comprehension Instruments-II*. Presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Kalbeitzer, R., Strachan, M. K., Green, H. K., Goldstein, N. E. S., Riggs Romaine, C. L., Hodges,

- H., Kemp, K., Anumba, N., Yasuhara, K., Wolbransky, M., Shah, S., **Zelle, H.**, Heilbrun, A.M., & Hart, A.B. (March 2008). The *Miranda* Rights Education Project: Findings from a longitudinal study. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology-Law Society*, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Zelle, H.**, Wrazien, L., Taormina, S., Kalbeitzer, R., Freeland, R., Alexander, I., Wolbransky, M., Heilbrun, A., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (March 2008). College students' assumptions about risk factors for juvenile false confessions. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Wrazien, L., **Zelle, H.**, Taormina, S., Kalbeitzer, R., Freeland, R., Wolbransky, M., Heilbrun, A., & Goldstein, N. E. S. (March 2008). Is That Even Legal?: Perceptions of the Legality of Juvenile Interrogation Strategies. Poster presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychology- Law Society*, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Zelle, H.**, Goldstein, N. E. S., Wrazien, L., Taormina, S., Kalbeitzer, R., Wolbransky, M., & Heilbrun, A. (June 2007). Risk factors for juveniles' false confessions: A comparison between public assumptions and the research. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services*, Montréal, Canada.
- Wrazien, L., Taormina, S., Goldstein, N. E. S., **Zelle, H.**, Kalbeitzer, R., Wolbransky, M., & Heilbrun, A. (June 2007). Perceptions of the legality of juvenile interrogation strategies: Does knowledge of the system matter? Poster presented at the annual conference of the *International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services*, Montréal, Canada.
- Strachan, M., Green, H., Kalbeitzer, R., Goldstein, N. E. S., Dovidio Zelechowski, A., Serico, J., **Zelle, H.**, Pich, M., & Fass, T. (June 2007). Cognitive changes in legal learning. Paper presented as part of a symposium at the annual conference of the *International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services*, Montréal, Canada.
- Kalbeitzer, R., Dovidio Zelechowski, A., Goldstein, N. E. S., Strachan, M., Weil, J., **Zelle, H.**, & Wrazien, L. (June 2007). A pilot study of an anger management intervention for female juvenile offenders. Part of a symposium: Development, implementation, and evaluation of the Juvenile Justice Anger Management (JJAM) Intervention for Girls. Paper presented at the annual convention of the *International Association of Forensic Mental Health Society*, Montréal, Canada.
- Goldstein, N. E. S., Mesiarik, C., Chulvick, S., **Zelle, H.**, & Kayser, K. (March 2005). Why juveniles are at risk in the interrogation room. Part of a symposium: Police Interrogations and Confessions. Paper presented at the annual convention of the *American Psychology - Law Society*, La Jolla, California.
- Kalbeitzer, R., Goldstein, N. E. S., & **Zelle, H.** (March 2005). Assessing the "Evolving Standards of Decency:" Public perceptions of capital punishment for juveniles. Paper presented at the annual conference of the *American Psychological - Law Society*, La Jolla, California.
- Zelle, H.**, & Ryan, K. (February 2004). The association between three narcissism types and playful aggression in dating couples. Paper presented as part of a panel at the annual conference of *The Association of Women in Psychology*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Zelle, H.** (April 2002). A study of playful aggression in homosexual and heterosexual couples. Paper presented as part of poster session at the annual *Eastern Colleges Science Conference*, Niagara Falls, New York.

Reviewer Positions

- Ad Hoc Reviewer *Law and Human Behavior* (2012-present)
Administration and Policy in Mental Health and Mental Health Services Research (2013-present)
Psychological Assessment (2015)
Assessment (2015)
Journal of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association (2015)
- Proposal Reviewer American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference (APA Div. 41; 2012-present; 2008, 2009, 2011 as student)
National Science Foundation, *Decision, Risk, and Management Sciences; Law & Social Sciences* (2014)

Clinical Experience

University of Virginia, Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy **May 2013 – present**
Licensed Clinical Psychologist

Post-Doctoral Forensic Psychology Fellow (9/2012 – 5/2013) *Supervisor: Daniel C. Murrie, Ph.D.*

- Conduct forensic assessments examining issues such as competency to stand trial, criminal responsibility, capacity to waive *Miranda* rights, and fitness for duty.

UMass Medical School & Worcester State Hospital Worcester, MA **September 2011 – August 2012**
Pre-doctoral Psychology Intern *Supervisors: Jack Terry, Ph.D., Bill Warnken, Psy.D., ABPP*

Worcester State Hospital Forensic Service

Supervisors: Denise Mumley, Ph.D., Carla Lourenco, Psy.D.

- Conducted forensic assessments with court-referred forensic inpatients examining issues such as adult competency, criminal responsibility, risk assessment, and need for care and treatment.

UMass Memorial Medical Center, Ambulatory Psychiatry Department

Supervisors: Robert Carey, Ph.D., Monika Kolodziej, Ph.D., Madeline Spadola, Ph.D.

- Conducted individual and group therapy with outpatient adults experiencing mental illness, including severe and persistent mental illness and co-occurring substance use disorders.
- Conducted psychological assessments with adults with serious mental illness.

UMass Memorial Medical Center, Department of Neurology

Supervisor: Brian Dessureau, Ph.D.

- Conducted neuropsychological assessments with and co-authored reports for adult patients referred for issues such as multiple sclerosis, Alzheimer's Disease, mild cognitive impairment, and depression.

UMass Memorial Medical Center, Psychiatric Treatment Center

Supervisor: Bill Warnken, Psy.D., ABPP

- Conducted group therapy with inpatient adults on an acute inpatient unit, including focus group for lower functioning individuals, health education group, and spiritual concerns group.
- Provided diagnostic assessment and reports to unit psychiatrists.

Drexel University Center City Counseling Center Philadelphia, PA July 2010 – May 2011
Clinical Therapist Supervisor: Pamela Geller, Ph.D. July 2007 – July 2008

- Provided individual therapy to graduate students within the Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Acceptance and Commitment Therapy frameworks.
- Participated in two months of extensive training in CBT and ACT. Attended trainings and staff meetings, planned treatment, developed case conceptualizations, wrote progress notes, managed files, conducted campus outreach workshops and in-service trainings.

Delaware Psychiatric Center New Castle, DE September 2009 – May 2010
Clinical Therapist Supervisors: Robert Thompson, Psy.D., Dianne Bingham, Ph.D.

- Provided individual therapy to chronically mentally ill patients in an in-patient state hospital.
- Conducted forensic assessments, particularly for competency to stand trial, mental state at the time of the offense, and treatment recommendation evaluations.
- Wrote forensic evaluation reports for the court.
- Attended didactic trainings and treatment team meetings, wrote yearly patient reports, wrote intake reports for new patients, wrote progress notes, completed case presentation.

Forensic Assessment Clinic, Drexel University Philadelphia, PA July 2008 – September 2009
Forensic Evaluator Supervisor: Kirk Heilbrun, Ph.D.

- Conducted forensic assessments for a variety of legal issues, including juvenile decertification, competency to stand trial, capital sentencing, federal sentencing, and independent medical evaluations.
- Wrote forensic evaluation reports for the court.

Delinquency Intervention and Assessment Lab Drexel University June 2004 – August 2005
Research Assistant and Site Coordinator Supervisor: Naomi Goldstein, Ph.D.

- Assessed juvenile offenders for *Miranda* Rights Comprehension project, most of whom had mental illnesses and/or low IQs.

State Correctional Institution at Muncy Muncy, PA November 2003 – April 2004
Psychology Intern

- Aided in individual- and group-counseling sessions. Completed periodic interviews with inmates who had discontinued medications.

Research Experience

Advance Directives with Mental Health Care Instructions September 2012 – August 2015
Post-Doctoral Research Associate Supervisor: Richard Bonnie

- Coordinate program of research examining the implementation of advance directives with instructions for mental health care into routine mental health care.
- Develop relevant projects, including submission of appropriate IRB documentation, and maintain IRB compliance for ongoing projects.
- Collect data through interviews with mental health consumers across Virginia, oversee data management, conduct data analysis.
- Prepare manuscripts reporting study findings and outcomes of implementation efforts for publication in various fields, such as mental health, policy, and law.
- Submit grant applications and coordinate application of current funding.
- Supervise research assistant in collection of data, preparation of materials, recordkeeping, and data analysis.

Doctoral Dissertation:

Judges' Treatment of the Knowing and Intelligent Requirements for *Miranda* Waivers

Chair: Naomi Goldstein, Ph.D.

January 2010 – present

- Exploring judges' treatment of the knowing and intelligent requirements using a vignette-based mail survey of state court judges.

Delinquency Intervention and Assessment Lab Drexel University August 2006 – August 2012

Research Assistant and Project Manager

Supervisor: Naomi Goldstein, Ph.D.

- Coordinated and directed two undergraduate students pursuing senior project (*College Students' Understanding of the Legality and Effectiveness of Police Interrogation Strategies*).
- Prepared and submitted IRB documentation, coordinated project preparation, administered survey packets to undergraduate students, collected and analyzed data, prepared conference submissions and presentations.
- Coordinated and directed the two students as graduate students pursuing their master's degrees.
- Edited theses and conference submission drafts, oversaw data analysis.
- Assisted with data analysis and interpretation of results, including for R01 grant application.

Delinquency Intervention and Assessment Lab Drexel University May 2006 – August 2012

Research Assistant

Supervisor: Naomi Goldstein, Ph.D.

- Administered assessments to youth for diverse research projects.
- Projects included *Miranda* Rights Comprehension Project, Juvenile Justice Anger Management Treatment for Girls Project, Legal Learning Project, and Squash Smarts Program Assessment.
- Scored/rescored and analyzed data, managed data, prepared manuscripts, and prepared manual for *Miranda* Rights Comprehension Project.

Master's Thesis:

August 2005 – December 2008

Factor Structure of the *Miranda* Rights Comprehension Instruments-II

Chair: Naomi Goldstein, Ph.D.

- Explored the factor loading of the component instruments of the *MRCI-II* in a juvenile sample.

Villanova University Law School

Villanova, PA

Summer 2007

Legal Research Assistant

Principal Investigator: Tiffany C. Graham, J.D.

- Conducted literature reviews, prepared memorandum concerning the gay rights movement's use of civil rights terminology derived from the black civil rights movement.

Villanova University Law School

Villanova, PA

Summer 2006

Legal Research Assistant

Principal Investigator: Ann C. Juliano, J.D.

- Conducted literature reviews, edited manuscript drafts, proofread citations for law review manuscript (*Harassing Women with Power: The Case for Including Contra-power Harassment within Title VII, 87 Boston University Law Review 491*).

Delinquency Intervention and Assessment Lab Drexel University June 2004 – August 2005

Research Assistant and Site Coordinator

Naomi Goldstein, Ph.D.

- Administered updated instruments to youth in juvenile detention centers for *Miranda* Rights Comprehension Project.
- Trained research assistants, obtained assent/consent, managed data, aided in presentation preparation, and performed research for other projects.

Lycoming College Psychology Department Williamsport, PA

September 2003-April 2004

Honors Thesis

Chair: Kathryn Ryan, Ph.D.

- Completed independent research on antigay attitudes, hostility, and impulsivity as predictors of

antigay behavior in college students.

- Research activities included proposal writing, reviewing literature, data collection and management, statistical analysis, paper preparation, and presentation of results.

Lycoming College Psychology Department **Williamsport, PA** **December 2003-February 2004**
Research Assistant *Supervisor: Kathryn Ryan, Ph.D.*

- Analyzed previously gathered data under supervision of advisor/principal investigator.
- Co-authored a paper presenting findings on how three types of narcissism related to playful aggression and playful force during sex in intimate relationships.
- Presented the paper as part of a panel at the annual conference of the *Association of Women in Psychology*.

Mental Health Policy Experience

University of Virginia, Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy
Post-Doctoral Research Associate **September 2011 – August 2015**

- Collaborate with key stakeholders on implementation efforts for incorporating advance directives into routine mental health care.
- Coordinate production of materials, such as an implementation manual and training curricula.
- Provide education, training, and technical assistance to mental health provider sites.
- Coordinate collaborations across systems, such as outpatient mental health providers, inpatient emergency services, legal counsel, and law enforcement.
- Co-supervise part-time “Implementation Coordinator,” who organizes outreach and education efforts.

Philadelphia Mental Health Care Corporation **Philadelphia, PA** **August 2010 – August 2011**
Forensic Specialist Liaison, Department of Behavioral Health *Supervisor: Patricia Griffin, Ph.D.*

- Assisted in the implementation and management of Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health activities and functions related to the criminal justice system such as diversion programs and specialty courts.
- Coordinated projects that sought to create a more effective and responsive system of services for people with serious mental illness, substance use disorders, and co-occurring disorders in the criminal justice system.
- Trained police and other criminal justice personnel in the Crisis Intervention Team Training, Hearing Voices Module.
- Conducted research and analyzed data to inform policy made by the Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health related to issues affecting mental health consumers.

Teaching Experience

University of Virginia School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences
Visiting Instructor **July 2014 – August 2015**

University of Virginia **Charlottesville, VA** **May 2014**
Training Faculty

- Juvenile Forensic Evaluation training provided by the Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy.
- Lecturer for sessions on “Law, the Court System, and the Juvenile Justice Process” and “Competence to Stand Trial in Juvenile Court.”

George Washington University **Washington, DC** **July 2014 – present**
Professorial Lecturer

- Columbian College of Arts & Sciences: Master’s Program in Forensic Psychology

- Psychology and the Legal System II – Summer 2014, 2015
- Children and Adolescents in the Legal System – Fall 2014, 2015

University of Virginia **Charlottesville, VA** **December 2014**

Training Faculty

- Juvenile Risk Assessment training provided by the Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy.
- Lecturer for session “*Tarasoff & Daubert*: Legal Parameters Relevant to Assessing Violence Risk with Juveniles.”

Taylor Hardin Secure Medical Facility **Tuscaloosa, AL** **November 2014**

Invited Speaker

- Guest seminar on history, standards, assessment and reporting of understanding *Miranda* rights.
- Continuing Education training for post-doctoral fellows and psychologists as part of new post-doctoral curriculum.

Virginia Indigent Defense Commission **October 2014**

Invited Speaker

- CLE lecturer on “Counseling or Counseling? The Ethical Challenges of Serving Clients with Mental Illness in Criminal Cases”.

University of Virginia **Charlottesville, VA** **February 2014**

Invited Speaker

- Guest seminar on juveniles understanding and use of *Miranda* rights given as part of ILPPP full-day training on “Issues in Juvenile Mental Health and Juvenile Justices.”

University of Virginia **Charlottesville, VA** **August 2013 – present**

Lead Trainer

- Lead trainer for 3-hour Basic Trainings and 3-day Facilitator Trainings about Advance Directives with instructions for mental health care.
- Train mental health care provider staff, including peer support specialists, at Community Services Boards, state hospitals, and peer-run organizations across the Commonwealth.

University of Virginia **Charlottesville, VA** **November 2013**

Invited Speaker

- Guest lecture on *Miranda* comprehension and false confessions in juveniles for interdisciplinary class, “Mental Health Professionals in Juvenile Justice.”

Drexel University **Philadelphia, PA** **June 2009 – August 2009**

Adjunct Instructor

- Undergraduate Course: Psychological Tests and Measurements
- Taught an overview of psychological test construction as well as various assessment instruments, such as intelligence, personality, neuropsychological, and forensic measures, to undergraduate students.

Legal Experience

Federal Defender’s Office, Capital Habeas Unit **Philadelphia, PA** **June 2010 – August 2010**

Law Intern

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- Assigned to a team of lawyers and staff working on capital cases and assisted in post-conviction and capital habeas challenges.
- Completed legal research, briefed legal issues, and assisted in writing motions and legal memoranda.

Honors

Clinical Research Extramural Fellowship (Loan Repayment Program – 2-year Initial Award), National Institutes of Health (2013-2015)
American Psychology-Law Society Student Dissertation Grant-in-Aid, 2010
American Psychology-Law Society Student Travel Award, 2008, 2010, 2012
Drexel University, Office of International Programs, International Travel Award, 2010
Cum Laude, Villanova University School of Law 2011
Valedictorian, Summa Cum Laude, Lycoming College, Class of 2004
J. Milton Skeath Award in Psychology, For superior undergraduate achievement and potential for future work in psychology, 2003-2004
Departmental Honors, Lycoming College, 2004
Lycoming College Scholars Program, 2000-2004
Service to Lycoming Award, 2003-2004
Outstanding Leader on Campus, Lycoming College, 2003-2004

Professional Affiliations

American Psychological Association
American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS)
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Pennsylvania Bar Association