



Resistance, Reunification and Relocation: Reaching for Better Solutions

A Full Day Webinar Presented by:

Association of Family Law Professionals

Friday October 2, 2020
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Schedule for the Day

- 8:30 – 8:35 Welcome: AFLP President Kelley Provo
- 8:35-10:05 When the Child Won't Go: Understanding the Full Spectrum
of Resist / Refuse Causes
Presented by Benjamin D. Garber, PhD
- 10:05-10:15 Break
- 10:15-11:45 When the Child Didn't Go: The Dynamics and
Requirements of Reunification in Families
Presented by Jan Faust, PhD
- 11:45-11:55 Silent Auction Explained: Vernon Guirguis
- 11:55- 1:00 Lunch and Auction
- 1:00-2:30 When It's Right to Go: Noteworthy Vignettes in
Relocation:
Presented by Christina O'Brien, Ryan O'Halloran and Gus
Simmons
- 2:30-2:40 Break
- 2:40-4:00 Judges Panel

About Our Presenters

Benjamin Garber, Ph.D. is a New Hampshire licensed psychologist. He provides child centered forensic evaluations, testamentary and non-testamentary consultation to attorneys, Guardians *ad litem* and courts in the full range of family law matter. Dr. Garber provides training for family law professionals around the globe and consults to a variety of child-centered organizations. He publishes prolifically in both popular press and juried professional publications on topics in child and family development and family law. His most recent book, "Mending Fences: A collaborative, cognitive-behavioral "reunification" protocol serving the best interests of the post-divorce, polarized child (Unhooked Media 2020) applies empirically proven cognitive-behavioral methods to remedy resist/refuse family dynamics. Dr. Garber is the proud father of two and grandfather to twin toddlers.

Dr. Jan Faust is a full professor at Nova Southeastern University. She developed the Child and Adolescent Traumatic Stress Program which is a clinical training and research facility serving children exposed to traumatic events including child abuse, witnessing interpersonal violence, experiencing highly conflictual families, accidental injury and medical traumas. Dr. Faust has obtained research and foundation grants and has published her scholarly products in peer-reviewed journals and book chapters in the area of child, adolescent and family psychology and health. Her most recent publication is Reunification Family Therapy: A Treatment Manual, Published by Hogrefe 2018. Faust serves as an academic expert witness and conducts reunification family therapy, forensic psychological evaluations, social investigations/parenting plan evaluations and family mediation in her private practice.

Christina "Christy" O'Brien is a stockholder with Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt, P.A. representing clients throughout Southwest Florida. She focuses her legal career in all aspects of Divorce, Marital and Family Law and has been honored for her pro bono work. Christy often handles highly emotionally-charged matters including: dissolution of marriage proceedings; custody, paternity, and child support issues; as well as domestic violence injunctions and post judgment modifications issues. Christy currently serves on The Florida Bar Family Law Rules Committee and on the Fort Myers American Youth Baseball Board of Directors.

Mr. Ryan O'Halloran focuses his practice in Family Law. He is a member of the Family Law sections of the Lee County Bar association, The Florida Bar and the American Bar Association. He regularly travels around the state and country to participate in the educational conferences and other programs offered by these organization. He has chaired the "Law in the Mall" committee for the Lee County Bar Association.

Mr. Gus Simmons is an attorney and has been a member of the Florida Bar since 2004. He is also licensed to practice in Missouri and the Federal Courts of Florida's Middle District. Mr. Simmons has been a Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Civil and Family Mediator since 2010. Further, Mr. Simmons is a member of The Fund, a licensed title insurance agent and licensed Florida Realtor.

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