

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### Current Position

- Independent Practice
- Team Member of *Families Moving Forward*  
[www.familiesmovingforward.ca](http://www.familiesmovingforward.ca)
- Team Member of *Family Solutions*  
[www.familysolutionstoronto.ca](http://www.familysolutionstoronto.ca)
- Facilitator of *The Advanced Peer Consultation Groups for Child Custody Dispute Practices*

### Therapy:

- Individual (child, adolescent, adult)
- Marital/Couple
- Family
- Multi-Faceted Family Therapy (for parent-child contact problems): Outpatient, Multi-Day Family Interventions

### Family Mediation & Parenting Coordination:

- Accredited Mediator (Family Mediation Canada-OAFM)
- Accredited Parenting Coordinator (FDRIO)

### Teaching/Training:

- Family Mediation
- Custody/Access Assessments
- Parenting Coordination
- Mediation/Arbitration and Arbitration
- Impact of separation/divorce on adults and children
- High conflict separation and divorce
- Parent-child contact problems, reintegration family therapy

### Supervision & Professional Consultation (to private practitioners, child protection agencies, lawyers):

- Mediation, custody/access assessments, parenting coordination, mediation-arbitration, therapy with children, couples, adults, family therapy, psychologists on temporary register of College of Psychologists of Ontario, registered psychologists satisfying undertakings pursuant to College decisions following investigation of complaints
- Two Peer Consultation Groups (meets monthly; approximately 7 professionals each group)

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- Family Solutions Peer Consultation Group (meets bi-monthly; 7 professionals)
- Families Moving Forward (meets/consults regularly; 4 professionals)

*Expert Testimony:*

- Work product reviews (critiques of custody/access assessments)
- Expert opinion reports on: parent-child contact problems (alienation); high conflict; impact of separation/divorce on children; custody/access assessment methodology and reports; and developmentally appropriate parenting time schedules for children in separated/divorced families

**Education**

Ph.D. York University, Canada, 1986; Clinical-Developmental Psychology  
Dissertation: “*The influence of gender, the parent-child relationship, and custody arrangement on children's adjustment following family break-up.*”

M.A. San Francisco State University, U.S.A., 1980; Developmental Psychology

Hon. B.A. York University, Canada, 1978; Special Education and Psychology

**Clinical Experience**

Independent Practice, 1988 – present

Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute (now the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health),  
Staff Psychologist, Sept. 1986 – Oct. 1988

Family Guidance Centre, May – Sept. 1986

Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute, Clinical Research Intern, Sept. 1984 – April 1986

Child & Family Study Centre, Clarke Institute, Psychology Intern, Sept. 1982 – Aug. 1984

C.M. Hincks Treatment Centre, Psychology Intern, Sept. 1981 – Aug. 1982

Toronto East General Hospital, Crisis Unit, Feb. – Sept. 1978

## **Publications**

- Deutsch, R., Judge, A., & Fidler, B.J. (2017). *Common ground: The children's group*. In A. Judge & R. Deutsch (Eds.), *Family-based interventions for children's resistance, rejection, alienation: Overcoming barriers and other clinical approaches*. New York: Oxford Press.
- Fidler, B.J., & Ward, P. (2017). *Clinical decision-making in parent-child contact problem cases: Tailoring the intervention to the family's needs*. In A. Judge & R. Deutsch (Eds.), *Family-based interventions for children's resistance, rejection, alienation: Overcoming barriers and other clinical approaches*. New York: Oxford Press.
- Fidler, B.J., Ward, P., & Deutsch, R. (2017). *Translating the overcoming barriers approach to outpatient Settings*. In A. Judge & R. Deutsch (Eds.), *Family-based interventions for children's resistance, rejection, alienation: Overcoming barriers and other clinical approaches*. New York: Oxford Press.
- Saini, M.A., Johnston, J., Fidler, B.J., & Bala, N. (2016). *Empirical studies of alienation*. In L.M. Drozd, M.A. Saini, & N. Olesen, N. (Eds.), *Parenting plan evaluations: Applied research for the family court*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. New York: Oxford Press.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., & Hurwitz, H. (2013). *Best practice guide: Responding to emotional harm of children in high conflict separation*. Toronto: High Conflict Forum.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., & Saini, M.A. (2013). *Children who resist post-separation parental contact: A differential approach for legal and mental health professionals*. American Psychology-Law Book Series, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Fidler, B.J. (2012). Parenting coordination: Lessons learned and key practice issues. *Canadian Family Law Quarterly*, 31(2), 237-273.
- Saini, M.A., Johnston, J., Fidler, B.J., & Bala, N. (2012). *Empirical studies of alienation*. In K.F. Kuehnle & L.M. Drozd (Eds.), *Parenting plan evaluations: Applied research for the family court*. New York: Oxford Press.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., & Saini, M.A. (2010). *Alienation in separation and divorce : An evidence-based review*. Paper for the Department of Justice Canada.

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- Fidler, B.J., & Bala, N. (2010). Children resisting post-separation contact with a parent: Concepts, controversies, and conundrums. *Family Court Review*, 48(1), 10-47.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., Birnbaum, R., & Kavassalis, K. (2008). *Challenging issues in child custody disputes. A guide for legal and mental health professionals*. Toronto: Thomson Carswell.
- Birnbaum, R., Fidler, B.J., & Kavassalis, K. (2008). *Child custody assessments: A resource guide for legal and mental health professionals*. Toronto: Thomson Carswell.
- Fidler, B.J., & Epstein, P. (2008). Parenting coordination in Canada: An overview of legal and practice issues. *Journal of Child Custody*, 5(1/2), 53-87.
- Bala, N., Fidler, B.J., Goldberg, D.L., & Houston, C. (2007) Alienation children and parental separation: Legal responses in Canada's family courts. *Queen's Law Journal* 38, 79-138.
- Fidler, B.J. (2007). Developing parenting time schedules: Conundrums and considerations. In Martha Shaffer (Ed.) *Contemporary Issues in Family Law: Engaging with the Legacy of James G. McLeod*. Toronto: Thomson Carswell.
- Fidler, B.J. & Birnbaum, R. (2006). Child custody disputes: Private and public assessments. *Canadian Family Law Quarterly*, 25(2), 137-167.
- Birnbaum, R., & Fidler, B.J. (2005). Commentary on Epstein and Madsen's "Joint custody with a vengeance: The emergence of parallel parenting orders. *Canadian Family Law Quarterly*, 24(3), 337-349.
- Schloss, J., & Fidler, B.J. (2003). Coaching parents through parenting plans. *Matrimonial Affairs*, 15(2), 1-2.
- Bagby, M., Nicholson, R., Buis T., Radovanovic, H., & Fidler, B.J. (1999). Defensive responding on the MMPI-2 in family custody and access evaluations. *Psychological Assessment*, 11(1), 24-28.
- Fidler, B.J. & Saunders, E. (1988). Children's adjustment during custody/access disputes: Relationship to custody arrangement, gender, and age of child. *Canadian Journal of Psychiatry*, 33, 517-523.
- Fidler, B.J., Saunders, E., Freedman, E. & Hood, E. (1989). Joint custody: Historical, legal and clinical perspective with emphasis on the situation in Canada. *Canadian Journal of Psychiatry*, 34, 561-568.

### **Presentations & Workshops**

- Fidler, B.J. (2017, Fall). *Cognitive Bias, Common Ethical Issues & Risk Management Practices*, Online Course: High Conflict Coparenting: Interventions for Children's Alignment and Resistance, Module 11, Overcoming Barriers, Palo Alto, California.
- Fidler, B.J. (2017, Fall). *The Necessary Role of the Court in Clinical Interventions*, Online Course: High Conflict Coparenting: Interventions for Children's Alignment and Resistance, Module 4, Overcoming Barriers, Palo Alto, California.
- Fidler, B.J. (2017, July 26). *Parent-Child Contact Problems II: More News You can Use*, Online Training Webinar, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC).
- Fidler, B.J. (2017, June 13-15). *Parenting Coordination: Advanced Applications*, Invited presentation - Department of Justice and Public Safety, PEI Roster Society, Prince Edward Island, Canada.
- Fidler, B.J., Drozd, L., Bala, N., Slabach, M.A. (2017, May 31). *Parent-Child Contact Problems*. Pre-Conference Institute. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Fidler, B.J. (2016, October 7 & 8). *Children Resisting Post-Separation Contact: Concepts, Controversies, Assessment & Intervention* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2016, September 22, 23 & 24). *Parent Coordination Foundations Workshop*, Invited Presentation. (2.5 days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Saini, M., (2016, September 22). *How To Make Sense of Social Science: Overview and Applications*, (3-hours) Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2016, June 9-10). *The Nuts and Bolts of Parenting Coordination*, Invited presentation - Department of Justice and Public Safety, PEI, Canada.
- Fidler, B.J. (2016, June 1). *Voice of the Child in Parenting Coordination: If, When and How*. Pre-Conference Institute. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Seattle, WA.
- Fidler, B.J. (2016, May 5), *High Conflict Parenting Cases: The Role of the Judge in Early Intervention and Management of These Challenging Cases*. Invited Presentation – The Superior Court Justice of Ontario, Ottawa Ontario.
- Fidler, B.J. (2016, April 18), *Family Interventions in Cases Involving Parent-Child Contact Problems Training*. Stable Paths, Miami, Florida

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Fidler, B.J., Clay, P., Himel, A., (2016, March 3), Adult Children of Divorce Panel, AFCC-O) and Ontario Psychological Association. Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B.J., Deutsch, R., & Ward, P., (2015, December 3 & 4). Intensive Family Interventions for Clinicians Working With Post-Separation Problems Where Children Resist Contact With a Parent. Immersion Training. Overcoming Barriers, Dallas, Texas.

Fidler, B.J. (2015, November 13 & 14). Children Resisting Post-Separation Contact: Concepts, Controversies, Assessment & Treatment (2-days), Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B.J., & Burke, B. (2015, Oct 23). Practical Advice on Ways to Improve Parental Engagement With Children During and After Separation. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Ontario (AFCC-O), 2015 Conference, Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B.J., Chodos, L., & Millstone, D. (2015, October 16 &17). Advanced Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop (2-days), Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B.J., Chousky, S., & Dror, A. (2015, Sept 18). How the Use of the Terms “Custody”, “Access” & “Parenting” is Evolving. Invited presentation - Ontario Bar Association, Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B.J. (2015, September 11 & 12). Parent Coordination Foundations Workshop, Invited Presentation. Western University, Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children, London, Ontario, Canada.

Fidler, B.J. (2015, June 10). Innovative Interventions with High Conflict Parents: An Emerging Role for Parenting Coordination in PEI Family Law, Invited presentation - Department of Environment, Labour and Justice, PEI, Canada.

Fidler, B.J., Moscoe, T., Clarke, G., & Neoh, J. (2015, May 28). Preventing Abuses of the Family Court Process by Unhappy Litigants. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Fidler, B.J. (2015, March 20). Interviewing Children in Family Law Disputes, Invited presentation - FamilyKind & AFCC New York Chapter Manhattan, New York.

Fidler, B.J. (2014, November 28 & 29). Children Resisting Post-separation Contact: Concepts Controversies, Assessment & Treatment (2-days), Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B.J. (2014, November 14 & 15). Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop (2-days), Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B.J., & Saini, N., (2014, November 14). How To Make Sense of Social Science: Applications for Lawyers, Mediators, Parenting Coordinators, Assessors & Therapists (3-hours), Toronto, ON.

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- Fidler, B.J. (2014, October 15). *Children Who Resist Post-Separation Contact with a Parent: Overview of a Differential Approach for Legal and Mental Health Professionals.* Invited presentation - Newfoundland & Labrador Legal Continuing Legal Education, morning and afternoon workshops offered by the Legal Aid Commission, and The Law Society. St John's, NFLD.
- Fidler, B.J., Deutsch, R., & Sullivan, T. (2014, May 28). *Family Interventions When Children Resist Contact with a Parent.* Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2014, April 24). *Parent/Child Alienation: Emerging Theory and Practice.* Invited presentation - Collaborative Practice Manitoba and Manitoba Bar Association, Winnipeg, MB.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2014, April 11 & 12). *Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Saini, M., (2014, April 10). *How To Make Sense of Social Science: Applications for Lawyers, Mediators, Parenting Coordinators, Assessors & Therapists* (3-hours), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2013, December 6 & 7). *Advanced Parenting Workshop* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Hurwitz, H. (2013, November 5). *Emotional Harm and Parent-Child Contact Problems in High Conflict Separations.* Invited presentation - Children's Mental Health Ontario-webinar.
- Fidler, B.J. (2013, October 25 & 26). *Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Saini, M., (2013, October 24). *How To Make Sense of Social Science: Applications for Lawyers, Mediators, Parenting Coordinators, Assessors & Therapists* (3-hours) Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., & Paulseth, D. (October 17, 2013). *New professionals panel.* Invited presentation - AFCC-O, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2013, September 16-18). *Parent Coordinator Training.* Invited presentation - The Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C.
- Fidler, B.J., Polak, S., & Popielarczyk, L. (2013, May 30). *Children Resisting Contact with a Parent Post Separation.* AFCC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

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- Fidler, B.J. (2013, May 17). *Children Who Resist Post Separation Contact: A Differential Approach for Legal and Mental Health Professionals*. Invited presentation - Wisconsin Inter-Professional Committee on Divorce (WIPCOD) Annual Conference, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin.
- Fidler, B.J. (2013, May 2 & 3) *The Making of a Mediator & The Making of a Parenting Coordinator*. Invited presentation - Alberta Family Mediation Society Annual Conference, Calgary, AB.
- Fidler, B.J., & Vanbetlehem, J. (2013, April 19 & 20). *Children Resisting Post-separation Contact: Concepts Controversies, Assessment & Treatment* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Bala, N. (2013, March 22). *Children Who Resist Post-Separation Contact With a Parent: A Differential Approach For Legal & Mental Health Professionals*. Invited presentation - BIDC, Colorado AFCC & MDIC Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado
- Fidler, B.J. (2013, January 25). *Mental Health Expert Consultation: Roles & Testifying*. Invited presentation - Parenting Capacity Assessors' Working Group (AFCC-O), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2012, December 11). *Mental Health Expert Roles: Issues & Ethical Dilemmas*. Invited panelist - Experts in Family Law Proceedings, Effective Strategies and Best Practices, at Osgoode Hall Law School, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2012, November 15, 16 & 17). *Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop* (2.5-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Linton, H. (2012, November 8). *Advanced Mediation & Negotiation* (1-day), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2012, June 22 & 23). *Children Resisting Post-separation Contact: What it is, What it isn't and what to do*. Invited presentation, New Brunswick Department of Justice and Consumer Affairs in collaboration with the New Brunswick Association of Social Workers (2-days), Moncton, New Brunswick.
- Fidler, B.J., & Kelly, J.B. (2012, June 6). *Advanced Parenting Coordination: Developing Trends, Applying Research and Challenging Practice Issues*. Invited one-day Institute - Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- Fidler, B.J. (2012, May 23). *Parenting Time Schedules for Young Children*. Invited presentation - Ontario Court of Justice Annual Family Law Program, Niagara on the Lake, ON.



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- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N. Siegel, B., & Nicoll, J. (2012, May 10) Mediation, Arbitration & Parenting Coordination – Resolving Family Disputes Outside the Courts. Invited presentation - 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Law Summit, The Law Society of Upper Canada, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Linton, H. (2012, May 3,4,7,8, & 9). Basic Mediation (5-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. & Chodos, L. (2012, April 23-24). Advanced Parenting Coordination: Workshop (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Bastedo, T., & Linton, H. (2012, March, April). Non-adversarial Resolution to Family Law Disputes (36 hours). Part-time LLM specializing in Family Law. Osgood Hall Law School, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2012, January 20 & 21). Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2011, December 7 & 8). Children and Divorce: The Voice of the Child and Interventions When Children Resist Parental Contact (2-days), Invited presentation - University of Baltimore, School of Law, Center For Families, Children and the Courts & AFCC, Baltimore, MD.
- Fidler, B.J., & Vanbetlehem, J. (2011, November 25 & 26). Children Resisting Post-separation Contact: Concepts Controversies, Assessment & Treatment (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Linton, H. (2011, November 10). Advanced Mediation & Negotiation (1-day), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2011, November 4 & 5). Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2011, October 14). Child-focused Parenting Plans: Key Ingredients to Minimizing Parental Conflict & Fostering Parent-child Relationships. Invited one-day workshop - Administrative Office of the Courts, Family Practice Division, New Jersey.
- Fidler, B.J., & Vanbetlehem, J. (2011, September 24). Family Interventions When Children Resist or Reject a Parent (1-day) Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2011, September 15). Understanding and Responding to Parental Alienation. Invited presentation - Association of Family and Conciliation Courts and American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyer. Advanced Issues in Child Custody Evaluation, Litigation and Settlement (3 hours), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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- Fidler, B.J. (2011, June 22 & 23). *Children and Divorce: The Voice of the Child and Interventions When Children Resist Parental Contact*. Invited presentation - Loyola University Chicago School of Law's Civitas Child Law Center and Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) (2-days), Chicago, Illinois.
- Fidler, B.J., & Vanbetlehem, J. (2011, June 3). *Family Intervention When Children Resist Post-separation Contact*. Three-hour workshop - 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Orlando, Florida.
- Bala, N., Fidler, B.J., & Saini, M. (2011, June 1). *Differential Responses to Alienation: Identification of Risk Factors, Indicators and Assessment Procedures to Implement Appropriate Legal and Mental Health Responses*. Invited one-day Institute - 47<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Orlando, Florida.
- Fidler, B.J. (2011, May 26). *Innovative Interventions with High Conflict Families: The Emerging Role of the Parenting Coordinator*. Invited one-day workshop - Ontario Association of Family Mediators Conference, Mississauga, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2011, May 13). *High Conflict Families: Understanding the Complexities and Considerations for Effective Interventions*. Invited keynote address - First Annual High Conflict Forum, Ottawa, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2011, May 4). *Parenting Plan Schedules for 6-Year Olds: Developmental & Other Relevant Considerations*. Invited presentation - National Judicial Institute, Superior Court of Justice, Spring Education Seminar, Toronto, ON.
- Linton, H., Fidler, B.J., & Bastedo, T. (2011, April): *Family Mediation & Negotiation*. (5-days, basic course), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Vanbetlehem, J. (2011, April 27 & 28). *Children Resisting Post-Separation Contact: Concepts Controversies, Assessment and Treatment*, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., Meddaugh, M.M., & Garufi, C.M. (2011, April 15). *Alienated Children in Divorce And Separation: Concepts, Controversies and Conundrums*. Invited presentation - Office of Attorneys for Children Appellate Division, Third Department, Colonie, New York.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2010, October 29 & 30). *Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop*, Toronto, ON.
- Butkowsky, I., Popielarczyk, L., & Sutton, P. (2010, October 15). *Custody and Access (Parenting Plan) Assessments: Practice Issues and Risk Management*. Moderator, Dr. Barbara Fidler: Association of Family and Conciliation Courts-Ontario, Toronto, ON.

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- Fidler, B.J. (2010, July 9 & 10). *Responding to Allegations of Estrangement and Alienation*. Invited presentation - National Judicial Institute for the Ontario Courts of Justice (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Altobelli, T., Carey, P., & Martinson, D. (2010, June). *Addressing Allegations of Alienation: Judicial Dilemmas*. Moderator Dr. Barbara Fidler. Invited presentation, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Denver, Colorado.
- Van Melle, F., Niman, H., Fidler, B.J., & Bala, N. (2010, May 5). *Effective Judicial Responses at Each Stage of a Child Alienation Case*. Invited panelist - The alienated child: Myths, realities and effective responses, Niagara on the Lake, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Linton, H. (May 12, 2010). *Advanced Mediation & Negotiation* (1-day), Toronto, ON.
- Epstein, P, Fidler, B.J., Goldberg, D., & Torry, C.A. (2010, March 10). *Children's Voices and Information for Decision Maker*. Invited panelist - The Voice of the Child, The Law Society of Upper Canada, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Bastedo, T., & Linton, H. (2010, March, April). *Non-Adversarial Resolution to Family Law Disputes* (36 hours). Part-time LLM specializing in Family Law. Osgood Hall Law School, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2010, January 6). *Parenting Plans and Parallel Parenting for High Conflict Families*. Invited presentation - teleseminar for Association of Conflict Resolution.
- Fidler, B.J. (2009, September 29). *Alienated Children and Their Families: Concepts, Definitions and Remedies*. 3-hour seminar in course for the part-time LLM specializing in Family Law, Osgood Hall Law School, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Goldstein, S., & Kornblum, M. (2009, September 23). *Remedies for Alienated Children: Clinical Panel*. Moderator Justice Patricia Harman. Invited presentation - Annual Family Law Program, National Judicial Institute for the Ontario Courts of Justice, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2009, September 10). *Alienated Children and Their Families: Concepts, Definitions and Remedies*. Invited presentation - the Superior Court of Justice, Central West, Toronto, ON.
- Carter, D.K., Deutsch, R.M., Eisen, R., Fidler, B.J., Kelly, J.B., & Sullivan, M.J. (2009, August 5). *Parenting Coordination: Practice, Research, and the Interface Between Psychology and Law*. Invited presentation - Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association (APA), Toronto, ON.

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- Fidler, B.J., Chodos, L. Nelson, C., & Vanbetlehem, J. (2009, May). *Alienation: Effective and Ineffective Legal and Clinical Interventions*. Workshop presented - 46<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Fidler, B.J. (2009, May 20). *Responding to Alienation: Practical Solutions in the Family Justice System*. Invited presentation - Supreme Court of British Columbia Education Seminar, National Judicial Institute, Kelowna, BC.
- Fidler, B.J. (2009, May 13). *Understanding and Working with High Conflict Personalities in Mediation and Involving Children in Mediation* (one day) Advanced Family Mediation & Negotiation Training, Toronto, ON.
- Bala, N., Fidler, B.J., Maur, M.J., & MacKinnon, J. (2009, May 8). *Family Law Panel Discussion*. Invited panelist - Celebrating Professor Nick Bala: An Exceptional Career of Teaching & Scholarship Queen's University, Kingston, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Niman, H. (2009, March, 26). *The Expert in Cross: How to Effectively Cross Examine an Expert, Including Preparing your Expert for Cross; Producing your Expert's File*. Invited presentation - Ontario Bar Association, Toronto, ON.
- Linton, H., Fidler, B.J., & Bastedo, T. (2009, March): *Family Mediation & Negotiation*. (5-days, basic course), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2008, November). *Parenting Coordination: Advanced Seminar* (1-day). Toronto, ON.
- Sherr, S., Fidler, B.J., McInnis, P.E., Sinclair, D., Vittie, D., & Jaffe, P.A. (2008, November 27). *A Panel Discussion: Domestic Violence, Parental Separation and Children*. Invited panelist - Smokescreen or Fire? Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2008, October). *Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Shields, R., Fidler, B.J., & Clarke, A. (2008, June). *A Panel Discussion: Family Arbitration for Lawyers, Parenting Coordinators and Other Professionals: Overview of Training, Screening, Contracting and Practice Issues*. Invited presentation - Ontario Association of Family Mediators, Mississauga, ON.
- Bond, P., Fidler, B.J., Kelly, J.B., & Sheinvoid, A. (2008, May). *Advanced Institute on Parenting Coordination*. Invited one-day Institute - 45<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Vancouver, BC.
- Bala, N., & Fidler, B.J. (2008, April). *Legal and Mental Health Responses to Child Alienation*. Invited presentation - Family Law Section, Ontario Bar Association, Toronto, ON.

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- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2008, April). *Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2008, March). *Innovative Interventions with High Conflict Parents: The Emerging Role Of The Parenting Coordinator*. Invited one-day workshop - Psychologists' Association of Alberta, Calgary, AB.
- Fidler, B.J. (2008, February). *The Interface of Child Professionals in a Family Law Matter*. Invited presentation - Ontario Bar Association, The Metro Convention Centre, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Chodos, L., & Linton (2008, January). *Parenting Coordination: Foundations Workshop* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2008, January). *Latency (a.k.a. "the Good Years") – Best Research*. Invited presentation - National Judicial Institute/Ontario Court of Justice: Judicial Development Institute, Metropolitan Hotel, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2008, January). *Legal Update: Parallel and Joint Custody*. Invited presentation - National Judicial Institute/Ontario Court of Justice: Judicial Development Institute, Metropolitan Hotel, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Chodos, L., & Linton (2007, October). *Parenting Coordination: Family Law, Foundations and Advanced Applications* (2.5 days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., & Epstein, P. (2007, September). *Responding to Alienation: Practical Solutions in the Family Justice System*. Invited presentation - National Judicial Institute, Manitoba Court of Queen's Bench, Winnipeg, MB.
- Fidler, B.J., Bala, N., & Goldberg, D. (2007, May). *Responding to Alienation: Practical Solutions in the Family Justice System*. Workshop presented - 44<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Washington, DC.
- Bala, N., Goldberg, D., & Fidler, B.J. (2007, May). *Alienation of Children in High Conflict Cases*. Invited presentation - The Family Law Summit, Toronto, ON.
- Bala, N., Goldberg, D., & Fidler, B.J. (2007, April). *Responding to Alienation: Practical Solutions in the Family Justice System*. Invited presentation - Ontario Bar Association, Toronto, ON.
- Linton, H., Fisher, B., & Fidler, B.J. (2007, April). *Family Law Arbitration Training Seminar* (2-days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2007, March). *Parent-Child Contact Problems*. Invited one-day workshop - Access for Parents and Children in Ontario APCO, Toronto, ON.

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- Fidler, B.J. (2006, November 14). *Parenting Issues. Agreements, Agreements, Agreements: How to Settle Family Disputes Effectively*. Invited presentation - Ontario Bar Association, Toronto, ON.
- Birnbaum, R., Hurwitz, H., & Fidler, B.J. (2006, October). *The High Conflict Forum: A Collaborative Effort to Promote Identification and Differential Responses For Separating And Divorcing Families*. Workshop presentation - 7<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Symposium on Child Custody Evaluations (Association of Family and Conciliation Courts) Atlanta, Georgia.
- Fidler, B.J., (2006, September). *Conducting Custody and Access Evaluations: Third Annual New Brunswick Workshop* (2-days). Invited two-day workshop - New Brunswick Association of Social Workers and the New Brunswick Department of Justice, Canada.
- Coates, C., Fidler, B.J., & Sullivan, M. (2006, May). *Advanced Institute on Parenting Coordination*. Invited one-day Institute - 43<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Tampa, Florida.
- Fidler, B.J., & Chodos, L. (2006, January, May). *Parenting Coordination: Practice-Focused Training Seminar* (2.5 days), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2006, April). *Three Essential Building Blocks For Treatment With Families of Alienated Children*. Invited presentation - Divorce Poison: Clinical & legal considerations: Working with families of alienated children, with Richard A. Warshak, Ph.D., Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2006, February). *Parenting Coordination: Clinical, Ethical & Legal Considerations*. Invited one-day workshop - Centre for Children & Families in the Justice System, London, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2006, January). *Submission to the Standing Committee on Justice and Policy Relating to Bill 27, 2005*, Toronto, ON.
- Deutsch, R.M., Fidler, B.J., & Sullivan, M. (2005, September). *The Parenting Coordination Process (Modules 1 and 2)*. Invited one-day Institute - Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) Regional Training Conference, Breckenridge, Colorado.
- Duvall, B., & Fidler, B.J. (2005, September). *Parenting Coordination Nuts & Bolts: Part II (Module 3)*. Invited half-day workshop - Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) Regional Training Conference, Breckenridge, Colorado.
- Bala, N., Fidler, B.J., & Goldberg, D. (2005, May). *Parental Relocation: Where Are We Going?* Workshop - 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Seattle, Washington.

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- Bala, N., Goldberg, D., & Fidler, B.J. (2005, April). *Relocation and Outcomes*. Invited presentation - Ontario Bar Association, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Carere, A., Chodos, L., Horowitz, T., & Radovanovic, H. (2005, April). *The Alienated Child: Characteristics and Treatment Approaches*. Invited moderator - Symposium on High Conflict Families of Separation and Divorce: Best Practice Approaches for Professionals Sponsored by JFCS in conjunction with Children's Services Network-North Quadrant, Toronto, ON.
- Freeman, R., Fidler, B.J., Gertner, E., Hanssmann, B., & Morris, R. (2005, April). *Clinical Interventions with High Conflict Families*. Invited presentation - Symposium on High Conflict Families of Separation and Divorce: Best Practice Approaches for Professionals Sponsored by JFCS in conjunction with Children's Services Network-North Quadrant, Toronto, ON.
- Kieller, K., Fidler, B.J., Olah, L., & Wice, L. (2005, February). *Parenting Coordination in High Conflict Families*. Invited presentation - Ontario Bar Association (OBA), 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Institute, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Jones, L., Chodos, L., & Benotto, M. (2004, September). *Parenting Coordination: Practice Issues and Challenges*. Invited presentation - 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of Family Mediation Canada (FMC), Toronto, ON.
- Duvall, B., Fidler, B.J., & LaCrosse, E.R. (2004, May). *Advanced Parenting Coordinator Forum*. Invited half-day workshop - 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), San Antonio, Texas.
- Coates, C., Fidler, B.J., et al. (2004, May). *Parenting Coordination Task Force Roundtable*. Invited presentation - 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), San Antonio, Texas.
- Fidler, B.J. (2004, April). *Developmental Considerations in Creating Parenting Plans*. Invited one-day workshop - Ontario Association for Family Mediation (OAFM), Mississauga, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2003, Fall and Winter). *Conducting Custody/Access Assessments: Foundations* (one 2-day and one 3-day), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., Litvack, A., & Epstein, P. (2003, May). *Managing High Conflict Families Through Structured Parenting Plans: The Do's and Don'ts of the Parenting Coordinator and the Mediator/Arbitrator*. Workshop presented - 40<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), Ottawa, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (2001, February). *Working Therapeutically to Assist Parent-Child Problems in High Conflict Divorce*. Workshop presented - 54<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Ontario Psychological Association (OPA), Toronto, ON.

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- Fidler, B.J. (1998, April). Invited Address to The Special Joint Senate-House Committee on Custody and Access, Ottawa, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (1997, April). Parental alienation: What is it? Developmental factors? What can be done? Invited one day workshop - Ontario Association of Family Mediators (OAFM), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (1996, October). Parental Alienation: A Legal and Psychological Dilemma. Invited panelist - Family Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association (CBAO), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (1996, March). Which factors must be considered when determining what is in a child's best interest in mobility cases? In B.J. Fidler (Chair), Custody And Mobility Rights --Pros and Cons: Psychological, Legal and Judicial Perspectives. Symposium presented – 49<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Ontario Psychological Association (OPA), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (1995, February). Psychological Assessment Methods Addressing Aspects of Child Custody and Access Disputes Other Than Parenting. In J. Pauker (Chair), Use of Psychometric and Other Psychological Methods in Child Custody and Access Dispute Assessment. Paper presented - 48th Meeting of the Ontario Psychological Association (OPA), Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Saunders, E. (1988, May). Workshop on Custody and Access Disputing Families, Their Characteristics, Their Conflict. Paper presented - Annual Meeting of the Family Court Clinic Conference, Ottawa, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Cohen, C. (1988, January). Psychological Test Screening Battery: Depression in Native Children. Paper presented - Meeting Exchanges in Indian and Inuit Mental Health, Medical Service Branch, Health and Welfare, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J., & Saunders, E. (1988, February). Reasons for Custody and Access Disputes. Poster presented – Meeting of the Annual Child Psychiatry Day, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (1987, November). An Example Of Psychological Consultation in The North: Where Do We Go From Here? Invited paper - Annual Tripartite Meeting, Sioux Lookout, ON.
- Fidler, B.J. (1987, February). Children's Adjustment During Custody/Access Disputes: Relation to Custody Arrangement Gender, and Age Of Child. Paper presented - Meeting of the Annual Child Psychiatry Day, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, ON.



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Fidler, B.J. (1986, February). Custody and access disputing families: The influence of custody arrangement and the parent/child relationship in children's adjustment. In B.J. Fidler (Chair), *Custody and Access Disputes: Data From Three Generations*. Paper presented - 39<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Ontario Psychological Association, (OPA), Toronto, ON.

Fidler, B J. (1978). *The Interaction of Language, Emotion, and Cognition: Surprise and Training in a Piagetian Conservation Task*. Undergraduate Thesis presented - Psychology Department Brock University, St. Catharines, ON.

### **Research Experience**

2009: Family, Children & Youth Section Policy Sector, Department of Justice Canada. *Parenting Alienation in Separation and Divorce: Literature Review*.

2006–2008: Ministry of Child and Youth Services, Research and Outcome Measurement (Branch Collaborator). *Research on the validity and reliability of the high conflict guide (Phase 2)*.

2006 - 2007: Ministry of Children and Youth Services (Research & Outcome Measurement Branch/Child Welfare Secretariat) (member of research team). *Evaluation of the Reliability and Validity of the High Conflict Guide for Separating and/or Divorcing Families (Phase 1)*.

2005-2006: High Conflict Forum. *The Dimensions of Conflict in Separated Families*. Member of subcommittee that created the initial scale tested in subsequent research (see above three items).

September, 1983 – 1988: Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute. Project on custody and access disputing families, instrument development, data collection, analyses and management.

September, 1984 – November, 1984: Family Court Clinic, Clarke Institute. Project on collecting follow-up data on juvenile sexual offenders.

May, 1983 – August, 1984: Child and Family Studies Centre, Clarke Institute. Project on marital and family interaction and the development of a family observation system.

September, 1982 – December, 1983: Child and Family Studies Centre, Clarke Institute. Project involving gifted clinical and non-clinical children and psychological assessment.

December, 1978 – May, 1979: Adolescent Reasoning Project, Lawrence Hall of Science, Berkeley, California.

### **Memberships In Professional Associations**

- > Association of Family & Conciliation Courts (AFCC)
- > Association of Family & Conciliation Courts Ontario Chapter (AFCC-O)
- > Canadian Psychological Association
- > American Psychological Association
- > Family Mediation Canada
- > Ontario Association Family Mediation: Accredited Member
- > Canadian Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology
- > The College of Psychologists of Ontario
- > Family Dispute Resolution Institute of Ontario: Member, PC Certification Pending

### **Participation In Professional Organizations, Task Forces & Awards**

- > Distinguished President's Service Award, AFCC-O (October 2015)
- > OCJ/SCJ Court Committee on Assessments (December 2013 – ongoing)
- > Board Member, Overcoming Barriers (December 2013 – ongoing)
- > OPA Members List Serve
- > College of Psychologists of Ontario Task Force on the provision of psychological services in the context of child custody disputes (Chair; September 2012- ongoing)
- > President (2011-2012), Association of Family & Conciliation Courts – Ontario (AFCC-O)
- > Myer Elkin Essay Award, Association of Family and Conciliation Court (2011, for Fidler & Bala, *Family Court Review*, January 2010)
- > Member of the Expert Advisory Group, Ministry of the Attorney General, addressing 4 Pillars
- > Family Court Review, Member of Editorial Board (2010 – ongoing)
- > Ontario Psychological Association: Referral Service Task Force (2004-2005)
- > AFCC Task Force: Developing Guidelines of Practice For Parenting Coordination

### **Specialized Training<sup>1</sup>**

- > Mindfulness
- > The Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA)
- > The Personal Health Information Protection Act (PHIPA)
- > Annual Barbara Wand Seminars in Professional Ethics, Standards and Conduct, College of Psychologists of Ontario (Annually)
- > Parenting Coordination
- > Family Law Arbitration
- > Family Law, Family Law Rules
- > Basic and Advanced Mediation
- > Screening for Domestic Violence and Power Imbalances

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<sup>1</sup> List of training, workshops and seminars attended available upon request.

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- > Parental Alienation, High Conflict Divorce
- > Custody/Access Assessments
- > Exner Comprehensive Rorschach System - Advanced Workshops
- > EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) Level 1
- > Systemic, structural, and strategic therapies
- > Brief and solution-focused and narrative therapies
- > Marital therapy
- > Treatment of incest survivors; adult children of alcoholics; post-traumatic stress disorder; panic and anxiety disorders; attachment disorders

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