

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Born: February 3, 1941, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Marital Status: Married (two children)

EDUCATION:

1946-1954 Public Schools, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

1954-1958 Central High School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

1958-1962 University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (AB, Psychology)

1962-1963 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

1963-1964 Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (MA, Sociology)

1964-1969 University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois (Ph.D., Clinical Child Psychology)

PROFESSIONAL LICENSE:

License #1320, Psychologist, New Jersey Board of Psychological Examiners (1/12/79)

STAFF PRIVILEGES:

12/97 - present: Morristown Memorial Hospital, Department of Psychiatry

*Participates in Psychiatry Department meetings

10/98 - present: Bonnie Brae Educational Center

*Provides admission and discharge psychodiagnostic evaluations to residents and consultation to staff; prepares admission reviews and annual reviews

PARENTING EDUCATION:

2002-2003: Parenting Education Instruction, Bergen County Court

EXPERIENCE:

3/85 - present: **PSYCHOLOGIST IN PRIVATE PRACTICE**, with offices at:

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*Specializes in psychodiagnostic evaluations; forensic assessment; mental retardation and developmental disabilities; sexual abuse; individual, marital and family psychotherapy; therapeutic mediation; parent coordination; and expert witness testimony

*Consultant to Office of Public Defender (particularly in Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, and Union Counties), 1995-present

*Consultant to Federal Disability Determination Services, 1990-present

*Under contract with Union County Court, 1988-present. Serves as court expert in cases dealing with divorce, custody, visitation, domestic violence and juvenile delinquency

*Consultant contract with Division of Youth and Family Services, 1980-present

*Consultant to Bonnie Brae Educational Center, 1980-present

- 4/87-8/89: Executive Director, Specialty Psychotherapy Associates, West Orange, NJ
- 5/80-2/85: Psychologist, Psychological Associates of West Essex, P.A., Caldwell, NJ
- 10/81 - 2/85: Consultant Psychologist, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, Outpatient Department, Newark, NJ
- 3/79 - 12/81: Consultant Psychologist, Brookside Academy, Mount Freedom, NJ
- 2/79 - 9/79: Consultant Psychologist, Ohel Children's Home, Far Rockaway, NY
- 10/75 - 9/80: Chief Psychologist, Manhattan Developmental Center, New York, NY
- 6/73 - 9/75: Administrator, Trumbull County Board of Mental Retardation, Niles, Ohio
- 7/73 - 6/74: Director of Instruction, Cuyahoga County Board of Mental Retardation, Cleveland, Ohio
- 9/71 - 7/73: Assistant Director for the Trainable Mentally Handicapped, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, State of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois
- 9/69 - 8/71: Unit Psychologist, Intra-Mural Program for Mentally Retarded Children, Herman Adler Zone Center, Champaign, Illinois
- 1967-1970: Research Assistant Professor and Research Associate, Institute for Research on Exceptional Children and Children's Research Center, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois
- 1966-1967: Research Assistant, Department of Psychology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 1964-1966: Practicum experience in individual, family and group psychotherapy, Psychological Clinic, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 1965-1966: Clinical Psychology Trainee (internship), Veterans Administration Hospital, Danville, Illinois, and Psychologist Trainee (internship), Eastern Illinois Mental Health Clinic, Danville, Illinois
- 1964-1965: United States Public Health Services Fellow, University of Illinois

PUBLICATIONS:

- Silikovitz, Ronald G. September 11, 2001, New Jersey Psychologist, Fall, 2002, Volume 52, Number 4.
- Moser, Rosemarie Scolaro and Silikovitz, Ronald G. *Maintaining Client Records (If it's not in the record, it didn't happen!)*, New Jersey Psychologist, Fall, 1999, Volume 49, Number 4.
- Silikovitz, Ronald G. *Computer Conversations*, New Jersey Psychologist, Spring, 1997, Volume 47, Number 2.
- Silikovitz, Ronald G. *The Committee on Children, Youth and Families*, New Jersey Psychologist, Summer, 1996, Volume 46, Number 3.
- Silikovitz, Ronald G. and Witt, Philip H. *The role of the Psychologist in Guardianship [termination of parental rights]* *Proceedings*, New Jersey Psychologist, Summer, 1992, Volume 42, Number 3.
- Chalfant, James C. and Silikovitz, Ronald G., Systematic Instruction for Retarded Children: The Illinois Program, Experimental Edition, 1972. Interstate Printers and Publishers, Inc., Danville, Illinois; Final Report to US Office of Education, Project #7-1025, Grant No. OEG-0-8-001025-1777 (032). Part I, Teacher-Parent Guide, Part II, Systematic Language Instruction, Part III, Self-Help Instruction, Part IV, Motor Performance and Recreation Instruction.

Whimbey, Arthur, Fischov, Valerie and Silikovitz, Ronald G., *Memory Span: A Forgotten Capacity*, Journal of Educational Psychology, 1969, 60, 1, 56-58.

FILMS PRODUCED:

Served as coproducer of and commentator for videotape program, *Money Matters and Your Mate*, Society of Psychologists in Private Practice, New Jersey Psychological Association and Tiger Tracks, 1994.

Served as script editor and coproducer of the following films, produced by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, State of Illinois, 1972: *Teaching Language Concepts; Analyzing a Lesson Plan; Teaching Self-Help and Motor Skills*.

SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS:

- 1/23/08: Iselin, New Jersey. Served on interdisciplinary panel on ***The Evolution of Parenting Coordination in New Jersey: Where Are We Now?***, sponsored by the New Jersey Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts.
- 5/4/05: Parsippany, New Jersey. Served on interdisciplinary panel on ***The Alienated Child and Visitation Refusal***, sponsored by the New Jersey Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts.
- 11/16/02: New Brunswick, New Jersey. Served on Interdisciplinary Planning Committee of the program, ***Family Part Best Practices: Judges, Lawyers, Mental Health Experts, and Other Professionals Working Together***.
- 4/29/00: New Brunswick, New Jersey. Served as Program Coordinator of seminar, ***Containing Conflict in Family Law Cases***, sponsored by New Jersey Chapter of Association of Family and Conciliation Courts and Institute for Continuing Legal Education.
- 11/20/98: New Brunswick, New Jersey. Served as moderator and presenter of seminar, ***Creative Solutions in High Conflict Custody Cases***, a two-day conference sponsored by New Jersey Psychological Association and New Jersey State Bar Association Family Law Section.
- 2/5/97: Elizabeth, New Jersey. Presentation on ***Alternative Dispute Resolution Methods in Custody/Visitation Assessments***, a seminar sponsored by the Union County Family Court for judges, probation officers, and other court personnel.
- 4/2/96: Elizabeth, New Jersey. Presentation on ***Facilitating Resolution of High Conflict Custody-Visitation Litigation***, a seminar sponsored by the Union County Family Court for judges, probation officers and court staff.
- 12/8-12/9/95: New Brunswick, New Jersey. Coordinated and served as panelist on two-day seminar cosponsored by the New Jersey Psychological Association, the NJSBA Family Law Section and the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education on ***Interventions with High Conflict Litigating Families in Custody Disputes***.
- 11/21/95: Glenpointe, New Jersey. Served as panelist at New Jersey Judicial College course on ***Resolving Family Issues with Therapeutic Mediation***.
- 10/28/95: Somerset, New Jersey. Coordinated and served as panelist at New Jersey Psychological Association Fall Conference symposium on ***Psychologists and the Division of Youth and Family Services: Partners in Service Delivery***.
- 11/6/94: Union, New Jersey. Presentation on ***Money Matters and Your Mate***, at YM-YWHA Health Fair.

- 11/1/94: Union, New Jersey. Presentation on **Improving Couples Communication**, for Kean College Psychology Club.
- 6/13/94: Newton, New Jersey. Copresenter, seminar on **Adoption: Psychological Knowledge, Legal Decision-Making and the Lives of Children**, cosponsored by Newton Memorial Hospital and the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services.
- 4/21/94: Elizabeth, New Jersey. Conducted seminar for Union County Superior Court judges and court staff on the **New Jersey Board of Examiners Specialty Guidelines for Psychologists Custody/Visitation Evaluations**.
- 6/1/93: Scotch Plains, New Jersey. Panelist and coordinator, **Permanency Planning in the Best Interests of the Child**, training seminar/conference cosponsored by Superior Court, Family Division, County of Union and the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services.
- 10/8/92: Freehold, New Jersey. Panelist, **Protecting the Interests of the Child in Guardianship** [termination of parental rights] **Cases**, conference sponsored by the Monmouth County Family Division.
- 6/2/88: South Orange, New Jersey. Coordinator and panelist, **Not My Child: Exploring the Realities of Day Care Sexual Abuse**, symposium at Oheb Shalom Congregation regarding issues in the Margaret Kelly Michaels trial. Coproduced videotape based on this symposium.
- 11/3/78: Kiamesha Lake, New York. **Try Another Way -- A Powerful Method of Training the Developmentally Disabled**, annual meeting of Council for Exceptional Children and American Association on Mental Deficiency.
- 10/25/78: Binghamton, New York. **Try Another Way: Helping the Developmentally Disabled Attain Competencies**, Annual Conference of Psychologists in New York State Service.
- 10/14/76: Kansas City, Missouri. **Systematic Instruction for Retarded Children: Method, Content and Strategies for Individualized Programs**, Annual Meeting of American Association for the Education of the Severely and Profoundly Handicapped.
- 5/30/73: Atlanta, Georgia. **The Integration of Language Development and Evaluation Systems into Teacher Education Programs for the Mentally Retarded**, Annual Meeting, American Association on Mental Deficiency.
- 10/31/72: Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Two-day workshop on **Systematic Language Instruction**, Department of Psychology, University of Alabama and Partlow State School.
- 10/28/72: Chicago, Illinois. **Systematic Instruction for Retarded Children: A Progress Report**, Annual Meeting, Illinois Council for Exception Children.
- 3/24/72: Washington, D.C. **Teaching and Evaluating Language Skills in Young Retarded Children**, Annual Meeting of the Council for Exceptional Children.
- 1/31/72: Cincinnati, Ohio. **Systematic Language Instruction** workshop sponsored by Special Education Regional Resource Center - IRMC.
- 10/30/71: Chicago, Illinois. **Systematic Instruction for Retarded Children: Implementation in Illinois TMH and pre-TMH Settings**, Annual Meeting of Illinois Council for Exceptional Children.

- 6/19/71: Houston, Texas. ***Systematic Instruction for the Retarded: New Directions in Curriculum***, Annual Meeting of the American Association on Mental Deficiency.
- 5/20/71: Springfield, Illinois. ***The Illinois Program***, Annual Meeting of the Illinois Association for the Mentally Retarded.
- 1/31/71: Lake Ozark, Missouri. ***Systematic Instruction for Retarded Children: The Illinois Program***, three-day workshop sponsored by Missouri Department of Education and Central Missouri State College.
- 11/6/70: Chicago, Illinois. ***Systematic Instruction for Retarded Children: New Directions in Curriculum***, Annual Meeting of the Illinois Community Day Centers for the Mentally Retarded.
- 10/30/70: Chicago, Illinois. ***Language and Self-Help Development with Severely Retarded Children: A New Approach***, Annual Meeting of Illinois Council for Exceptional Children.
- 5/23/69: Columbia, Missouri. ***Systematic Language Instruction*** workshop, cosponsored by the Woodhaven Learning Center and the Department of Special Education, University of Missouri.

PROFESSIONAL AND HONORARY SOCIETIES:

American Association for the Education of the Severely and Profoundly Handicapped, charter member, 1975

American Association on Mental Retardation, and Division of Psychology, member, 1974

American College of Forensic Examiners, member, 1995

American Mental Health Alliance, New Jersey Chapter and National, member, 1999; Secretary, National, 2001-2002

American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children, member, national organization and New Jersey chapter, 1995

American Psychological Association, and its Divisions of Psychologists in Independent Practice; Child, Youth and Family Services; and Psychology-Law Society, member, 1969

Association for Conflict Resolution, member, 2001

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, New Jersey Chapter, Founder and President, 1999-2002; Past President, 2003-present

Council for Exceptional Children, and its Division of Mental Retardation, member, 1972

New Jersey Psychological Association, member, 1984-present; Secretary, 1998-2000; Treasurer, 2003-2005

Committee on Legislative Action Board, Chair, 2000; elected member, 1995-1998; Chair-Elect, 1999, Immediate Past Chair, 2001

Children, Youth and Families Committee, member (1986-present), Secretary (1986-1989), Cochair (1994), Chair (1995-1996)

*Cochair, Task Force for Enhancing Psychological Services to the Division of Youth and Family Services (1990-1998)

*Charter member, Task Force, Concerned Professionals for the Accurate Assessment of Child Sexual Abuse (1986-1996)

*Cochair, Task Force on Child Custody and Visitation Assessment (1996)

Forensic Committee, member (1987-present); Cochair (1997-1998)

Interprofessional Relations Committee, member (1995-present)

Phi Beta Kappa, elected member, 1962

Psi Chi (National Honorary Society in Psychology), elected member, 1961

Pi Gamma Mu (National Social Science Honorary Society), elected member, 1961

Professional Academy of Custody Evaluators, 1995

Essex-Union County Association of Psychologists, member, 1982; Board of Trustees, 1989-1993; 2003-2005; Secretary/Membership, 1990; President, 1991 and 2007; Treasurer, 2001-2002

*Initiated and coordinated *Psychologists Educating the Public* (PEP) program (1992-1998). Assisted with development of four videotape programs: *Coping with the Recession*; *Balancing Priorities in the 90's*; *Money Matters and Your Mate*; *Why Bright Children Fail*

*Coeditor of newsletter, *Some Potpourri for Practicing Psychologists* (1994-1995)

*SPPP representative to New Jersey Psychological Association Executive Board (1993-1994; 2002; 2007)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

B'nai B'rith

*West Orange Lodge: member (1976-present); held various offices; President, 1982-1983. Awarded Man of the Year, 1992

*Northern New Jersey Council: held various offices; president, 1990-1991; Council representative to District III Administrative Board, 1993-1995

*District III (serving New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Delaware): Delegate to Board of Governors, 1984-present, Chair, Member Involvement and Orientation, 1992-1994

Executive Exchange, Inc., member, 1992-1997; Member of Executive Board, 1995

Mensa: Member since 1971

Oheb Shalom Congregation, South Orange, New Jersey: Member since 1976; Member, Board of Trustees, 1986-1992, 1998-present; Men's Club President, 1988-1989; United Synagogue Chair, 1994-1995; Coeditor, *Oheb Shalom Review*, 1994-1996; Member, Executive Committee, 1995-1998; Recording Secretary, 1995-1997; Vice President, 1997-1998; **Job Relief Chair, 1998-present**

Union County Chamber of Commerce, member, 1997-present

West Orange Chamber of Commerce, member, 1993-present

West Orange Human Relations Commission, charter member, 1993-2003

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