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## **EDUCATION**

**PhD**, Simmons University School of Social Work, Boston, MA (2009-2014).

**Dissertation:** *Clinical social workers and the judicial system: Toward an understanding of the experience of becoming and being an “expert.”*

**MSW**, Boston College School of Social Work, Chestnut Hill, MA (2002-2005).

**JD**, Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT (1980-1983).

**BA cum laude**, Western New England University, Springfield, MA (1977-1980).

- Major: Psychology
- Massachusetts Teacher Certification (Grades 7-12, Social Studies, not current).

Lemoyne College, Syracuse, NY (1976-1977, transferred).

## **LICENSURE**

**Licensed Attorney in Maine and Massachusetts** (1983-present).

- United States Supreme Court (2017-present).
- First Circuit Court of Appeals and Federal District Courts (1983-present).
- Maine Supreme Judicial Court and Trial Courts (1983-present).
- Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and Trial Courts (1983-present).

**Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW)**, License #LM10173 (2005-present).

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**Partner**, Prescott, Jamieson, & Murphy Law Group, LLC, Saco, ME (1988-present).

- Trial lawyer with extensive experience in complex domestic relations, probate, and business litigation, including divorce, non-married partnerships, economic misconduct and valuations, business disputes and dissolutions, spousal and child support, parental rights and responsibilities, child protection, de facto parenting and grandparents, interpersonal violence, and civil rights.
- Comprehensive experience conducting and assisting clients and parties with alternative dispute resolution, such as mediation, references, and arbitration.

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- Appellate practice, including preparation of briefs and oral argument.
- Professional ethics and liability seminars and trainings.
- Consultation services for attorneys, mental health, and social service professionals.
- Court-rostered Guardian ad litem (2009-present).
- Completed certificate program for Parent Coordination (2009).

**Associate, Smith & Elliott, P.A., Saco, ME (1983-1988).**

- Civil jury and non-jury trials.
- Experience as lead and associate trial lawyer in complex product liability, commercial, and tort litigation.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Adjunct Faculty, Boston College School of Social Work, Chestnut Hill, MA (2015-present).**

- Social Welfare System [MSW] SCWK7701.

**Instructor, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Boston, MA (2017-2020).**

- Social Services for Children, Adolescents and Families, SBS222.

**Adjunct Faculty, University of New England, On-Line School of Social Work, Westbrook, ME (2019-2021).**

- Social Work and the Law [MSW, designed syllabus], SSWO 673.

**Adjunct Faculty, Simmons University School of Social Work, Boston, MA (2011-2017).**

- Epistemology [PhD], SW-631-01 (Spring, 2020).
- Philosophy of Science [PhD], SW-631-01 (Fall, 2017).
- Integrating Public Policy Issues and Outcomes [PhD], SW670-01 (Spring, 2015).
- Advocacy and Social Action [MSW], SW523 (Summers, 2012-2017).
- Social Policy and Services [MSW], SW401 (Fall/Spring, 2011-2017).
- Social Policy and Services [Course Lead, MSW on-line], SWO401 (Summer/Fall, 2014).

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

**Adjunct Faculty, Boston University School of Social Work, Boston, MA**  
(Summer, 2014).

- Family Law and Children's Rights [MSW], WP710.

**Adjunct Faculty, Salem State University School of Social Work (2014-2015).**

- Community Practice [MSW], SWK 706 (Spring, 2015).
- Child, Youth, and Family Policy [MSW], SWK 833 (Spring, 2014).

**Paralegal Course Instructor, York County Community College, Wells, ME**  
(2002-2006).

### **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

Garber, B.D., **Prescott, D.E.**, & Mulchay, C. (2022). *The family law professional's field guide to high-conflict litigation: Dynamics, not diagnoses*. Chicago: American Bar Association.

Ecker, J., & **Prescott, D.E.** (2021). *Divorce in New Hampshire: The legal process, your rights, and what to expect*. Omaha, NE: Addicus Books, Inc.

**Prescott, D.E.**, & Jamieson, N.D. (2015). *Divorce in Maine: The legal process, your rights, and what to expect*. Omaha, NE: Addicus Books, Inc.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2001). *Maine family law forms: Discovery, trial and settlement* (3rd ed.) (Michie-Butterworth 1993 & Supplements 1994-1997). Newark, NJ: Lexis/Nexus Law Publishing.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1997). *The Hydra hypothesis: Litigating the minefield of allegations of abuse, chronic interference and the rights of children*. Portsmouth, NH: Peter Randall Press.

#### **Articles**

**Prescott, D. E.** (2022). Weaponizing clinical mental health in family justice courts: Ethical and legal minefields. *Journal of Forensic Social Work*, 6, 22-42.

Rogerson C.V., **Prescott, D.E.**, & Howard, H.G. (2021) Teaching social work students the influence of explicit and implicit bias: Promoting ethical reflection in practice. *Social Work Education: The International Journal*, DOI: [10.1080/02615479.2021.1910652](https://doi.org/10.1080/02615479.2021.1910652)

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

**Prescott, D.E.** (2020). Bending the light of social science in family court: Epistemic injustice and epistemic exceptionalism matter. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 33, 501-538.

Garber, B. D., & **Prescott, D. E.** (2020). On the value of teddy bears and barbie dolls: The place of children's transitional objects in family law. *Southwestern Law Review*, 49, 189-214.

Fadgen, T., Kozu S. A., & **Prescott, D.E.** (2020). Protecting children in foster care during natural disasters: A comparison of the United States, New Zealand and Japan. *Children, Youth and Environments*, 30, 1-24.

Eggenberger, T., Howard, H., **Prescott, D.E.**, & Luck, G.R. (2020). Exploring quality of life in end-of-life discussions. *American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Medicine*, 37, 465-473.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2020). Book review: JENNIFER EBERHARDT, BIASED: UNCOVERING THE HIDDEN PREJUDICE THAT SHAPES WHAT WE SEE, THINK, AND DO (2019). *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 32, 901-921.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2020). The putative spouse and marriage by estoppel doctrines: An “end run around marriage” or just a marriage? *Child and Family Law Journal*, 8, 51-83.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2019). Flexner’s thesis was prescient: Ethical practices for social workers “in the trenches” requires forensic knowledge. *The Journal of Social Work Values and Ethics*, 16, 40-52.

Eggenberger, T., Luck, G. R., Howard, H., & **Prescott, D.E.** (2019). Advanced directives and family practice: Implications and ethics for “greying” family systems and interdisciplinary collaboration. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 32, 1-28.

**Prescott, D.E.**, & Fadgen, T. (2019). Adversarial systems and forensic experts in child custody: How about adding a hot tub? *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 32, 117-144.

Howard, H.H., Walbam-Churchill, K., LeCloux, M., & **Prescott, D.E.** (2019). Reflexivity, ethics, and divergent perspectives: A transformational journey of social work educators. *Urban Social Work*, 3, 95-109.

## Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD

**Prescott, D.E., & Tennes, D.A.** (2019). Bias is a reciprocal relationship: Forensic mental health professionals and lawyers in the family court bottle. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 31, 427-461.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2018). The constitutional right to parent: Does the doctrine of waiver apply to guardianships? *Maine Bar Journal*, 33, 13-20.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2018). Are there constitutional limits on court orders: From select travel soccer to haircuts. *Massachusetts Family Law Journal*, 36(4), 57-59.

**Prescott, D.E., & Tennes, D.A.** (2018). The lawyer as guardian ad litem: Should “status” make expert opinions “all-in” and trump “gatekeeping” functions by family courts? *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 30, 201-226.

**Prescott, D.E., & Debele, G.**, Evolving family systems and shifting ethical conundrums: Consequences for lawyers in adoption and non-married parentage proceedings. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 30, 127-176.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2017). The new Phoenix: Maine’s innovative standards for guardians ad litem. *Maine Law Review*, 69, 67-108.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2016). Forensic experts and family courts: Science or privilege-by-license? *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 28, 521-552.

Fadgen, T., & **Prescott, D.E.** (2016). Do the best interests of the child end at the Nation’s shores?: Immigration, state courts, and children in the United States? *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 28, 359-390.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2014). Inconvenient truths: Facts and frictions in defense of guardians ad litem for children. *Maine Law Review*, 67, 43-71.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2014). Brief parent education programs in the family courts: A good faith human experiment but does it work? *Journal of Social Science for Policy Implications*, 2(1), 31-57.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2013). The Supreme Court in UNITED STATES V. WINDSOR: Why the “death” of fungible federalism after a century of convenience? *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 26, 51-77.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2013). Book Review: The modern “world” of families sure is flat and noisy: ANDREW HORTON & JOHN DAVID KENNEDY, DO YOUR DIVORCE RIGHT: STRAIGHT TALK FROM FAMILY COURT JUDGES (2011). *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 26, 209-232.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2013). Social workers as “experts” in the family court system: Is evidence-based practice a missing link or host-created knowledge? *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*, 10(5), 466-481.

## Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD

- Prescott, D.E.** (2012). Judicial decision making, personality theory, and child custody conflict: Can heuristics better predict a difference between parents who do and those who don't? *Whittier Journal of Child and Family Advocacy*, 11(2), 185-222.
- Steinfeld, S. M., & **Prescott, D.E.** (2012). After Brenda and Eddie divorce, Eddie files for bankruptcy: The unusual life of defalcation under BAPCPA. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 25, 57-86.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2011). Book Review: "Here come da family court judges." *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 24, 505-525.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2010). The AAML and a new paradigm for "thinking about" child custody litigation: The next half century. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 24, 107-146.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2010). Complexity theory as a conceptual construct for understanding client change. *Perspectives on Social Work*, 8(2), 11-15.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2010). Judicial settlement conferences in domestic relations practice: Traps for unwary (and weary). *Maine Bar Journal*, 23, 125-132.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2009). Unified family courts and the modern judiciary as a "street level bureaucracy": To what end from the "mythical role" of judges in a democracy? *Quinnipiac Law Review*, 27, 55-112.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2008). COSAs and psychopharmacological interventions: Informed consent and a child's right to self-determination. *Journal of Law and Family Studies*, 11(1), 97-112.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2007). The act of lawyering and the art of communication: An essay on families-in-crisis, the adversarial tradition, and the social work model. *Legal Ethics*, 10(2), 176-192.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2007). Consent decrees, the Enlightenment, and the "modern" social contract: A case study from BATES, OLMSTEAD and Maine's Separation of Powers Doctrine. *Maine Law Review*, 59, 76-110.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2005). When co-parenting falters: Parenting coordinators, parents-in-conflict, and the delegation of judicial authority. *Maine Bar Journal*, 20, 240-247.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2005). Chronic conflict parents and group therapy as a means of intervention: A preliminary proposal. *Social Work with Groups*, 28(1), 81-96.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2004). Child protection: Kinship and family group conferencing. *Maine Bar Journal*, 19, 140-148.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2003). Biological altruism, splitting siblings, and the judicial process: A child's right to constitutional protection in family dislocation. *University of Missouri at Kansas City Law Review*, 71, 623-657.
- Prescott, D.E.** (2003). Interim attorneys' fees and expert "costs": Ask and your client may receive. *Maine Bar Journal*, 18, 40-47.

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**Prescott, D.E.** (2000). The guardian ad litem in custody and conflict cases: Investigator, champion, and referee? *University of Arkansas at Little Rock Law Review*, 22, 529-564.

**Prescott, D.E.** (2000). Parental conflict and the appointment of referees in child custody cases. *Maine Bar Journal*, 15, 44-48.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1999). Machiavelli and a unified theory of parental responsibility: A proposed statute. *St. Thomas Law Review*, 12, 95-155.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1996). Responsibility for children: Equitable distribution, alimony and chaos. *Maine Bar Journal*, 11, 22-28.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1995). Guardians ad litem: Defenses to tort claims. *Fairshare*, 15(1), 11-16.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1993). The liability of lawyers as guardians ad litem: The best defense is a good offense. *Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 11, 65-116.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1993). Family law financial forms, and floundering federalism. *Maine Bar Journal*, 8, 156-161.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1991). Post-judgment modification in divorce: From best interests to repose. *Maine Bar Journal*, 6, 12-21.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1989). The constitutionality of Maine's protection from abuse act (and other matters). *Maine Bar Journal*, 4, 264-270.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1987). Workers compensation, substance abuse, and safety in the working place: A proposal. *Maine Bar Journal*, 2, 100-104.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1987). Educational support for children of divorces beyond the age of majority: A need for reform. *Maine Trial Practice*, 3, 54-57.

**Prescott, D.E.** (1986). Economic fairness and divorce: A professional degree as marital property in Maine. *Maine Trial Practice*, 2, 58-60.

**Prescott, D.E., & Kundin, C.L.** (1985). Toward a model parent liability act. *California Western Law Review*, 20, 187-217, reprinted in National Safety Center (1985). *School safety legal anthology*. Sacramento, CA: Pepperdine University Press.

### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

*Ethical Duty and Immunity: Why the Appointment Order Matters*, Maine GAL Core Training (March, 2022).

*The AAML Custody Evaluation Standards*. AAML-MA Chapter Academy-Academy, Boston, MA (March, 2022).

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

*Court Systems and Expert Testimony*, Advanced Forensic Social Work Certificate Program, NOFSW (December, 2021).

*Connecting Court Orders with Interventions for the Rejected Parent: Ethics and Efficacy*, AFCC 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference [Zoom] (June, 2021).

*Ethical Duty and Immunity: Why the Appointment Order Matters*, Maine GAL Core Training (March, 2021).

Invited Lecture, *Family Health Services*, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, SBS246, Issues in Maternal health and Child Health Programs and Policies. Boston, MA (November, 2020).

*Court Systems and Expert Testimony*, Advanced Forensic Social Work Certificate Program, NOFSW (December, 2020).

*Court Systems and Expert Testimony*, Forensic Social Work Certificate Program, NOFSW (October, 2020).

Invited Lecture, *Family Health Services*, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, SBS246, Issues in Maternal Health and Child Health Programs and Policies. Boston, MA (December, 2019).

*The Influence of Implicit Bias on Forensic Opinions and Judicial Decision-Making*, Integrating Research into Practice and Policy: The Impact on Families and Children, AFCC Fall Conference, Pittsburgh, PA (October, 2019).

*Psychological Evaluations and the Forensic Social Worker: The Ethics of Relevance, Reliability, and Interdisciplinary Communication*, NOFSW Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV (June, 2019).

*Compassionate Conversations for Advance Care Planning: ACP Made Easy?*, Interprofessional Panel, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL (April, 2019).

*Ethics: Understand Your Role and Stay in Your Lane*, GAL Review Board Webinar, Augusta, ME (March, 2019).

*Where are the Children under State Custody during a Natural Disaster?*, Children's Rights, Communities, and Good Practices, DevNet Conference, Christchurch, NZ (December, 2018).

*Grandparent "Rights" in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?*, Nicholas Cipriani Inn of Court and Doris Jonas Freed Inn of Court, Conshohocken, PA (September, 2018).



## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

*Gender and Forensic Experts: Does it Influence Selection and Outcomes?*, National Organization of Forensic Social Workers, Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA (June, 2018).

*Effective Experts in Difficult Situations: Yoda knows Daubert (But not Family Courts)*, Divorce on the Beach, Alabama State Bar Association, Destin, FL (June, 2018).

*York Bar Association Family Law and Bench Trial Institute [7 Modules]*, Saco, ME (March-June, 2018).

*Overview: Experts in Family Court: Useful Rationale, Judicial Science, or Forensic Science?*, AAML, Maui, HI (March, 2018).

*What is the Standard of Care? How Various State States and Professional Guidelines Address ARTS Ethics Issues*, Academy of Adoption & Assisted Reproduction Attorneys, Minneapolis, MN [Webinar] (January 2018).

*The “New” GAL Rules and Best Practices, Important Developments in Maine Family Law*, MSBA, Freeport, Maine (September, 2017).

*The AAML Custody Evaluation Standards: Scientific Methodology or Just Helpful Rationale for Family Courts?*, Second Annual AAML Blackletter Law Seminar, Boston, MA (September, 2017).

*Child Protection and Custody Conflict: Should Forensic Social Workers or the Courts be the “Gatekeepers” of the Reliable and Ethical Use of Social Science?*, NOFSW Annual Conference, Boston, MA (July, 2017).

*What is the “Standard of Care” for ARTS: The Ongoing Evolution of Professional Ethics and Liability and Why You Should (Really) Care?*, Conference of the AAAA/AARTA, Montreal, Canada (May, 2017).

*21<sup>st</sup> Century Extended Family Issues: The Demographics and Fragility of Modern Families*, PBI Family Law Institute, Philadelphia, PA (April, 2017).

*School Social Work: Values, Ethics, Practice*, Windham/Raymond School District, Windham, ME (February, 2017).

Invited Lecture, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, SBS246, *Families: Getting off to the Right Start (And then Sustaining it?)*, Boston, MA (February, 2017).

*Child Custody and Forensic Science: Who are the “Gatekeepers” of Reliable Science?*, Utah AAML and the Utah State Bar Family Law Section, Salt Lake City, UT (December, 2016).

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

*Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution: Family and Community Violence, Simmons World Challenge: Arresting Development: Non-Violence as an Option for Change, Simmons College, Boston, MA (November, 2016).*

*Interventions for Parental Conflict: Tying 'em All Down in a Procrustean Bed?, AAML Pre- Conference, Chicago, Ill (November, 2016).*

*Ethical Duties and Immunity: Why the Appointment Order Matters?, GAL Core Training, Maine State Bar Association [MSBA]/Maine Judicial Branch, Augusta, ME (October, 2016).*

*Evaluations and Testing in Child Custody: Wozzles or Science-by-Privilege?, First Annual AAML Blackletter Law Seminar, Boston, MA (September, 2016).*

*Attracting the Good Juju: Ethics in Adoption and ARTS-Evaluating Decisions made in Adoption and ARTS, What Duties Owed and Whose Interests Served?, American Academy of Adoption Attorneys, New Orleans, LA (September, 2016).*

*From the Nuremberg Code to the APA's Hoffman Report: Forensic Experts and "Do No Harm"?, National Organization of Forensic Social Work, New Orleans, LA (June, 2016).*

*Ethics and the New Role of the GAL, The Brave New World of GALs for Lawyers and Courts (and GALs), MSBA/York Bar Association [YBA], Saco, ME (April, 2016).*

*The New GAL Rules: Ethical Practices and Report Writing for Children and Courts, Child Protection Conference: Trauma in the Rearview Mirror: Closer than it may Appear, South Portland, ME (April, 2016).*

*From the Nuremberg Code to the APA's Hoffman Report: Forensic Experts and "Do No Harm"?, American Psychology-Law Society, Division 41 of the American Psychological Association, Atlanta, GA (March, 2016).*

*Invited Lecture, Issues in Maternal Health, Families: Getting Off to the Right Start, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, SBS246, Social Services for Children, Adolescents, and Families. Boston, MA (February, 2016).*

*Writing a GAL Report: Best Practices, GAL Core Training for Court Rostering, MSBA, Bangor, ME (October, 2015).*

*GALs and Best Practices for Lawyers under the New Laws and Rules: Better for Clients (and Resistance is Futile), Family Law Institute, MSBA, Augusta, ME (September, 2015).*

*The Ethics of Being an Expert: Science-by-Licensure or Science-by-Bacon, NOFSW, Arlington, VA (August, 2015).*

*Group Parenting Training: Does it Really Reduce Child Custody Conflict?, The Annual Symposium of the International Association for Social Work with Groups, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC (June, 2015).*

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

*Guardian ad Litem as Investigator and Expert: New Roles and New Rules*, Maine Guardian ad Litem Institute, Freeport, ME (June, 2015).

Invited Lecture, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, SBS246, *Issues in Maternal Health, Policy Systems, and Environmental Interventions*, Boston, MA (March, 2015).

*GAL Training and Continuing Education Seminars*, Maine Guardian ad Litem Institute, Rockport, Houlton, Waterville, Lewiston, ME (October, 2014).

*Forensic Social Workers as Expert Witnesses: Do the Courts as a Host Environment Warp Social Work Values and Ethics?*, National Organization of Forensic Social Work [NOFSW], Fordham University, NY (July, 2014).

*The Elimination of GALs and the Silencing of a Voice for Children: What Lawyers Need to Know*, MSBA, Summer Bar Meeting, Rockport, ME (June, 2014).

*The New Guardian ad Litem Statute: History and Policy*, MSBA, Bangor, ME (June, 2014).

*Intensive Group Parenting Education Programs and Parental Conflict: What Works and Why?*, The XXXVIth Annual Symposium of the International Association for Social Work with Groups, Calgary, Alberta, Canada (June, 2014).

*Annual Training Seminar*, Maine Guardian ad Litem Institute, Hallowell, ME (May, 2014).

*Getting from “No Way” to “OK”: Divorce Professionals Share their Secrets for Successfully Working with Families in Conflict*. Kids First Center Annual Conference, Freeport, ME (2013).

*Underemployment and Imputed Income in Child Support Cases in New England*. American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers [AAML]: New England Chapter. Boston MA (2013).

*The Perils of Virtual Venom*. Kids First Center Annual Conference, Freeport, ME (2012).

*Income Manipulation and Child Support: Whining is not Winning*. YBA/MSBA, Saco, ME (2012).

*Parenting Coordination: A New Tool in the Family Court Toolbox*. MSBA, Portland, ME (2012).

*Ethics, Values, and Best Practices for School Social Workers*. Portland School Social Workers, Portland, ME (2011).

*The Act and Art of Negotiation*. Family Law Institute, MSBA, Augusta, ME (2011).

*Judicial Settlement Conferences*. District Court Bench Bar Conference, MSBA, Augusta, ME (2010).

*A Critical Perspective: How Mental Health Providers View Lawyers and the Courts*. MSBA, Saco, ME (2010).

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

*Drafting Tighter Agreements and Judgments in Family Law.* MSBA, Freeport, ME (2010).

*So You Want To Be a Guardian Ad Litem: Ethical Conundrums for the Social Worker.* NASW-Maine Chapter, Rockport, ME (2010).

*The Ethical and Legal Issues You Didn't Learn in Social Work School: A Minor's Right to Autonomy, Confidentiality, Informed Consent and Privilege.* NASW–Maine Chapter, Portland, ME (2009).

*The New Family Law Rules: Best Practices and Common Problems Encountered from Pre-Trial, Trial and Post Judgment Phases,* YBA/MSBA. Wells, ME (2009).

*Highly Challenging Clients: Axis II and What Do You Do?,* Kids First Annual Conference, Freeport, ME (2008).

*Parental Rights and Responsibilities and the Ethics of Confidentiality.* NASW: Maine Chapter, Rockport, ME (2008).

*Hot Tips for Family Law Lawyers,* Family Law Institute. MSBA, Augusta, ME (2006).

*Who Made You Boss? Thoughts About the Third Branch in a Democracy.* New England Bar Association [NEBA], Boston, MA (2005).

*The "Civil Practice" of Law, Bridging the Gap.* MSBA (2004).

*Constitutional Law: An Up-date.* NEBA, Norwich, CT (2004).

*Family Law and District Court Practices.* MSBA (2003).

*Multi-Jurisdictional Bar Admissions,* NEBA. Providence, RI (2003).

*Underreporting of Income and Support.* YBA/MSBA (2003).

*Trial Practice and Family Law.* MSBA (2002).

*The Role of the Guardian ad Litem in Conflict and Custody Cases.* The Ben J. Alzheimer Symposium, University of Arkansas School of Law at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR (1999).

*New Developments in Family Law.* MSBA (1997).

*The Impact of Federal Law on Domestic Relations Practice: A New England Perspective.* Massachusetts MA Chapter of AAML, Boston, MA (1995).

*A Guide to the Financial Issues Facing Your Family Law Practice.* MSBA (1995).

*The Pro Bono Lawyer: Child Support - Interstate, Military and Tribal Issues.* MSBA (1994).

*Family Law: Advocacy - Pleadings, Practice and Discovery.* MSBA (1993).

*Child Support Guidelines Workshop.* MSBA (1993).

*Grandparents and Extended Family Custody, Parenting Alternatives.* MSBA (1993).

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

*Children and Divorce*, American Academy of Adolescent Psychiatrists. Washington, DC (1992).

*Families and Tort Actions in the 1990's*. Maine Trial Lawyers Association (1992).

*Updated Rule 80: Explanation at Managing a Family Law Practice*. MSBA (1992).

*Emerging Issues in Domestic Practice*. MSBA (1991).

*Criminal Violation of Maine's Protection from Abuse Act*. MSBA (1990).

*Economic Issues in Divorce*. MSBA (1990).

### **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**Board Member**, National Organization of Forensic Social Workers (2018-present; Vice-President, 2019-present; President-Elect, 2021-present).

**Board of Directors**, Caring Unlimited, York County's Domestic Violence Program (2004-present).

**Fellow**, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (1990-present; Editor-in-Chief, Journal of the AAML, 2020-present; AAML Journal Board of Editors, 2009-present; Co-Chair, Legislation Committee, 2012-2020; Member, CLE Committee, 2017-2019; President, AAML Northeast Chapter, 2016-2018).

**Fellow**, International Academy of Family Lawyers (2010-present; Board of Governors, USA Chapter Delegate, 2016-2017).

**Guardian ad Litem Review Board**, Maine Board of Overseers of the Bar, appointed Chair by Maine Supreme Judicial Court (2015-2021, term limits).

**Board of Directors**, Maine Guardian ad Litem Institute (2013-2015).

**Member**, Fee Arbitration Commission, Maine Board of Overseers of the Bar (2007-2013; Chair, Panel I, 2011-2013).

**Member**, Saco Bay Rotary Club (1991-1997; 2005-present).

**Member**, Task Force on Electronic Court Record Access (2004-2005).

**Member**, Justice Action Group, Legal Service Providers of Maine (2002-2005; JAG's Leadership Development Group (2006-2007)).

**Board of Governors**, Maine State Bar Association (1993-2005; President, 2004; President-Elect 2003; Second Vice-President, 2002; Third Vice-President, 2001; Treasurer, 2000).

**Director**, New England Bar Association (1994-2002; President, 2001-2002; Vice-President, 2000-2001).

**Member**, Tri-State Commission on Bar Admissions (1998-2000).

**Family Law Section**, Maine State Bar Association (Chair 1993-1994; Vice-Chair 1991-1993).

## **Dana E. Prescott, JD, MSW, PhD**

**Member**, Advisory Committee on the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure (1990-1999).

**Member and Reporter**, MSBA Committee on the Unauthorized Practice of Law (1997-1998).

**Maine State Bar Association** (1983-present).

**Massachusetts Bar Association** (1983-present).

**York Bar Association** (1987-present; Executive Committee, 1990-1994; President, 1993-1994; Interim President, 2014-2016).

### **AWARDS**

**Sol Gothard Lifetime Achievement Award**, National Organization of Forensic Social Workers (2017).

**Family Law Section Achievement Award**, Maine State Bar Association (2016).

**Charles Walter Smith Jr. Award**, York Bar Association (2010).

**Maine Bar Foundation and Volunteer Lawyers Project Pro Bono Public Award** (2010).

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