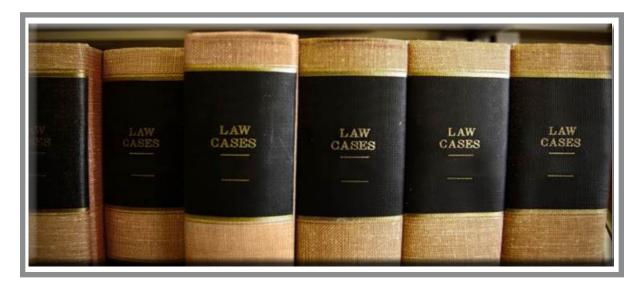
Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

LEGAL ISSUES



PROGRAM

A consensus development conference Edmonton, Alberta, September 18-20, 2013 Delta Edmonton South

Jury Chair: The Honourable Ian Binnie C.C., Q.C. Former Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada

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Message from Honourable Jonathan Denis, QC

MLA, Calgary-Acadia

Minister of Justice and Solicitor General

Welcome to all distinguished delegates attending the Consensus Development Conference on Legal Issues of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD).

This conference is truly a milestone. It is the first juried consensus development conference on the legal issues related to FASD, providing a platform to share information and knowledge to enable jury members and delegates to develop a consensus statement on FASD.

An estimated 36,000 Albertans are affected by FASD and we are working to give hope—through diagnosis and treatment—to those affected by FASD, their families, and their caregivers. Twelve FASD Service Networks in the province provide community-based, integrated support and services with an emphasis on assessment for intervention, and awareness and prevention.

We are setting the stage for greater success in the fight to prevent FASD, address its effects, and ensure our communities continue to be safe places to live. This conference supports our efforts.

I extend thanks to the Institute of Health Economics for hosting this conference, and thanks to Justice and Solicitor General staff and key stakeholders who lent knowledge and expertise in organization and planning.

I look forward to recommendations in the consensus statement at the end of the conference to help inform the work we do to address the legal issues surrounding FASD.

Jonathan Denis, QC

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

This conference is a three-day juried hearing of evidence and scientific findings that allows for the engagement and collaboration of citizens and decision makers in government and the justice system in addressing a specific set of key questions on legal issues related to FASD.



The Honourable Ian Binnie C.C., Q.C., former Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, will serve as Jury Chair for this first-ever Consensus Development Conference on Legal Issues of FASD. He will lead a panel of 12 distinguished citizens who will hear evidence from experts over 2 days in front of the audience. Following the hearings, the jury will consider the evidence and develop recommendations, including suggestions of policy improvements, in a consensus statement. On the morning of the third day the jury chair will read the consensus statement to the experts and audience for their consideration and discussion. After clarification

and elaboration, the statement will be printed and widely disseminated to people nationally and internationally.

The specific questions to be addressed are:

- 1. What are the implications of FASD for the legal system?
- 2. How can efforts to identify people with FASD in the legal system be improved?
- 3. How can the criminal justice system respond more effectively to those with FASD?
- 4. How can family courts and the family/child welfare legal system address the specific needs of people with FASD?
- 5. What are best practices for guardianship, trusteeship and social support in a legal context?
- 6. What legal measures are there in different jurisdictions to contribute to the prevention of FASD, and what are the ethical and economic implications of these measures?

Wednesday, September 18, 2013

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental breakfast and registration**

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. **Moderator**

The Honourable Marguerite Trussler Q.C.

Opening Remarks

The Honourable Jonathan Denis Q.C., Minister of Justice and Solicitor General

8:45 a.m. – 10:25 a.m. **Question 1: What are the implications of FASD for the legal system?**

a) An overview of FASD and its general implications

An Introduction to FASD

Sterling Clarren, CEO and Scientific Director, Canada Northwest FASD Research Network; Clinical Professor of Pediatrics; Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia; Clinical Professor of Pediatrics, School of Medicine, University of Washington

Prenatal alcohol exposure and abnormal brain development

Kathy Sulik, Professor of Cell Biology and Physiology; Member of the Bowles Center for Alcohol Studies, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, USA

Can FASD be imaged?

Sarah Treit, Centre for Neuroscience, University of Alberta

Characteristics of FASD

Carmen Rasmussen, Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics, University of Alberta; Research Affiliate, Glenose Rehabilitation Hospital, Edmonton

10:25 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Break**

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Question 1 (continued)**

b) Legal Implications of FASD

Prevalence of FASD in the legal system

Patricia MacPherson, Senior Research Manager, Correctional Service of Canada

Socio-Economic implications of FASD

Philip Jacobs, Professor of Health Economics, Faculty of Medicine, University of Alberta; Director of Research Collaborations, IHE

Legal perspectives of FASD

Fia Jampolsky, Chair, Yukon Human Rights Commission; Lawyer, Cabott and Cabott, Whitehorse

12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Question 2: How can efforts to identify people with FASD in the legal system be improved?

Potential impact, benefits and burdens of an FASD screening program in the corrections system

Larry Burd, Professor, Department of Pediatrics, University of North Dakota School of Medicine; Director of the North Dakota Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Center and FAS Clinic

Review of current models for assessment and screening of FASD in the youth justice system

Ab Chudley, Professor, Department of Pediatrics, University of Manitoba; Medical Director, Winnipeg Regional Health Authority Program in Genetics and Metabolism

Building effective connections between courts and diagnostic clinics

Julianne Conry, Asante Centre, Maple Ridge, BC.; previously, Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology and Special Education, University of British Columbia

2:30 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.

Break

2:50 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Question 3: How can the criminal justice system respond more effectively to people with FASD?

At what points in the criminal justice process is an individual with FASD most vulnerable?

Patricia Yuzwenko, Associate Senior Counsel, Youth Criminal Defence Office, Edmonton, Alberta

How could an understanding of needs in FASD shape sentencing responses within the criminal justice system?

Jacqueline Pei, Assistant Professor, Department of Educational Psychology; Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Pediatrics, University of Alberta

The effect of FASD on the reliability of confessions and the giving of testimony

Kaitlyn McLachlan, Clinical psychology, forensic specialization, Postdoctoral fellow, Department of Pediatrics, University of Alberta

Policy and legal recommendations to the understanding of FASD, its challenges and potential solutions

William Edwards, Deputy Public Defender, Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office

FASD and the modern sentencing theory debate; a path to criminal code reforms

Allan Manson, Professor, Faculty of Law, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario

Close

6.30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Evening Reception to follow at the conference venue - Delta Edmonton South

Thursday, September 19, 2013

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Continental breakfast and registration

9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m. **Moderator**

The Honourable Marguerite Trussler Q.C.

9:05 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. **Question 3 (continued):**

Considerations in making effective sentences for persons with FASD

The Honourable Judge Sheila Whelan, Provincial Court of Saskatchewan

Legislative impediments to judicial consideration of moral blameworthiness in sentencing offenders with FASD

Jonathan Rudin, Program Director, Aboriginal Legal Services of Toronto; Chair, FASD Justice Committee

How can a youth criminal defence advocacy model assist young people with FASD navigate the justice system

Cathy Lane Goodfellow, Acting Senior Counsel, Youth Criminal Defence Office

10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Break

11:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Question 4: How can family courts and the family/child welfare legal system address the specific needs of people with FASD?

Working with parents with FASD in family and child welfare matters

Lydia Bubel, Lawyer, Family Law Office, Alberta Legal Aid

What specifc characteristics of FASD need to be taken into account in family court and in the child welfare system?

Donna Debolt, Social Worker, Sioux Lookout FASD Service Delivery Network

Gail Andrew, Board Member, Canada FASD Research Network; Medical Site Lead, Pediatrics; Medical Director, FASD Clinical Services; Pediatric Consultant, Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital

How can children with FASD be best supported in foster care or other placements?

Corey La Berge, Deputy Children's Advocate, Manitoba Legislative Assembly

12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 p.m - 3:05 p.m.

Question 5: What are best practices for guardianship, trusteeship and social support in a legal context?

Broadening guardianship and lowering barriers to service eligibility; protective arrangements for people with FASD

Stephen Greenspan, Emeritus Professor of Educational Psychology, University of Connecticut; Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, University of Colorado

Clinical and ethical issues within capacity assessment of people with FASD

Arlin Pachet, Clinical Neuropsychologist, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Calgary

Views from a Public Guardian's perspective

Barb Martini, Director, Office of the Public Guardian

3:05 p.m - 3:25 p.m.

Break

3:25 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Question 6: What legal measures are there in different jurisdictions to contribute to the prevention of FASD, and what are the ethical and economic implications of these measures?

Legal measures to contribute to prevention of FASD, effectiveness and ethical issues

Nancy Poole, Director, Research and Knowledge Transition, British Columbia Centre of Excellence for Woman's Health; Research Consultant, Woman and Substance Use Issues, British Columbia Woman's Hospital

Legal and ethical aspects of meconium testing to identify alcohol use during pregnancy

Gideon Koren, Director, The Motherisk Program, The Hospital for Sick Children; Professor of Pediatrics, Pharmacology, Pharmacy and Medical Genetics, University of Toronto; Professor of Medicine, Pediatrics and Physiology/Pharmacology; Ivey Chair in Molecular Toxicology, University of Western Ontario; Scientific Chair, CFFAR

Friday, September 20, 2013

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Continental breakfast and registration**

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Moderators**

The Honourable Marguerite Trussler Q.C. Kurt Sandstrom Q.C., Assistant Deputy Minister, Legal Services, Alberta Justice and Solicitor General

Reading of the Consensus Statement

Jury Chair: The Honourable Ian Binnie C.C., Q.C.

9:30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. **Responses from the speakers**

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Responses from the audience

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Concluding remarks from the jury

FURTHER INFORMATION

Program Accreditation

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Law Society of Saskatchewan

Lawyers may apply directly to the Law Society of Saskatchewan for accreditation. The conference will appear in the Continuing Professional Development activity database.

Law Society of Upper Canada

Lawyers may apply directly to the Law Society of Upper Canada for accreditation.



The Honourable Ian Binnie, Jury Chair C.C., Q.C.

The Honourable Ian Binnie is one of the most distinguished leaders in Canada's legal system. He served for nearly 14 years as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, writing more than 170 opinions for the Court. When he retired in 2011, Mr. Binnie was described by The Globe and Mail as "arguably the country's premier judge." He is a Companion of the Order of Canada; a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers; holder of Honourary Doctor of Law degrees from McGill University and the University of Western Ontario; and winner of the Advocates Society Medal and the 2012 Lexpert Zenith Award. Mr. Binnie's commitment to FASD is just the latest example of his dedication to public service, in addition to his career as one of Canada's top litigators. In the early 1980s he served for four years as Canada's Associate Deputy Minister of

Justice. He was Special Parliamentary Counsel to the Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons on the Meech Lake Accord. An elected member of the International Commission of Jurists, he has represented Canada before the International Court of Justice and various international tribunals. Mr. Binnie is counsel at the Toronto-based firm of Lenczner Slaght.



The Honourable Judge Larry G. Anderson

The Honourable Judge Larry G. Anderson was a criminal defence lawyer for 25 years before being appointed as a judge of the Provincial Court of Alberta in 2006. In practice, he was an active member and past-president of the Criminal Trial Lawyers Association, was an elected bencher of the Law Society of Alberta and was president of the Law Society in 2003-2004. He co-founded and co-directed the Alberta Criminal Trial Research Center for 18 years, was a criminal law advisor to Student Legal Services of Edmonton for many years and was a frequent speaker and organizer of seminars and symposia. His interest in international human rights led him to become active in the International Criminal Defense Attorneys Association and prior to his appointment he was a registered counsel of the International Criminal Court in the Hague. As a judge, his judicial duties are complemented by his role as

Chair of the Committee on the Law, a standing committee of the Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges Association, as co-chair of the Alberta Judges Education Committee and as a presenter on topical issues, including The Challenges of Sentencing Offenders With FASD, at the XXXIII Congress of the Academy of Mental Health and the Law in Amsterdam in August, 2013.



Ms. Danielle Collins

Ms. Danielle Collins is a staff lawyer with the Family Law Office, a project of Legal Aid Alberta. In this capacity, she provides legal services in the area of divorce and matrimonial property division, custody and access, spousal and child support, as well as representation of parents involved with Child and Family Services. Prior to acquiring her law degree from the University of Alberta in 2011, she was an advocate for social justice. It was her belief in equal access to justice that inspired her to volunteer, work and article alongside of some of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged individuals at several social justice agencies, including Métis Child and Family Services; Edmonton Adult Aboriginal Justice Committee; Edmonton Native Youth Justice Committee; Family Law Office; Youth Criminal Defence Office; Edmonton Community Legal Centre; Alberta Law Line; Legal Services Centre, and Student Legal Services. Throughout Ms. Collins' employment and volunteer experiences, she has advocated and represented many individuals and families that are enmeshed in the legal

system and impacted by FASD. Most notable is her development of Just-Us Girls, now a program of the Elizabeth Fry Society, which works in collaboration with a number of community agencies. This initiative empowers young mothers to address their high-risk lifestyle choices while maintaining custody of their children.



Dr. Dennis Cooley

Dr. Dennis Cooley is the Assistant Deputy Minister, Custody, Supervision and Rehabilitation Services in the Ministry of Justice, Government of Saskatchewan. Dennis is responsible for managing the province's adult and youth correctional systems. Prior to joining the Saskatchewan public service in August, 2012, Dennis was Deputy Minister of Justice in Yukon, a position he held since September 2004. During his tenure as Deputy Minister, Dennis led a number of significant initiatives that have improved access to justice for Yukon citizens, including establishing the Community Wellness Court, developing Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods legislation, and enacting a Victims of Crime Act and victims of crime strategy. Dennis also played a key leadership role to redevelop Yukon's correctional system, including building a new correctional centre,

enacting the Yukon Corrections Act and developing a new culture of corrections that focuses on delivering high quality programming to victims, offenders and community members. Dennis has also worked in the federal public service as Executive Director of the Law Commission of Canada, a federal government law reform agency where he was actively involved in a Law Commission project that examined the emerging relationship between public police and private security, as well as projects on restorative justice and communities and the law. Dennis has several years of research experience in the field of criminal justice policy, corrections, and the sociology of law and social control. He has published research in the area of prison violence, the social organization of prisons and inmate subcultures and has published Re-imagining Policing in Canada (University of Toronto Press, 2005). Dennis has also worked with the Correctional Service of Canada and Statistics Canada. Dennis received a Ph.D in Sociology from the University of Manitoba in 1995, a Masters of Arts from Carleton University in 1990 and a BA from Carleton University in 1988. Dennis and his wife Julie have a son named Stanley, and dogs named Digger and Scout.



Dr. Anthony N. Doob

Dr. Anthony N. Doob is a Professor Emeritus of Criminology at the Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies, University of Toronto. He has been at the University of Toronto since 1968, first in the Department of Psychology and later at the Centre of Criminology (now the Centre for Criminology & Sociolegal Studies). He graduated from Harvard in 1964 and received his Ph.D. (in psychology) from Stanford University in 1967. He served as Director of the Centre of Criminology from 1979 to 1989 and was one of the members of the Canadian Sentencing Commission from 1984 until 1987. He has written on a wide range of topics related to the youth and adult justice systems and Canadian criminal justice policies. Along with Rosemary Gartner, he co-directs the production of Criminological Highlights, an information service summarizing policy relevant, high quality, criminological research.



Mr. Donald Langford

Mr. Donald Langford is the Executive Director of Metis Child & Family Services Society Edmonton and has held this position for the past fifteen years. Prior to this, he served for 37 years in the Canadian Armed Forces. Metis Child & Family Services Society Edmonton is an Aboriginal Family Resource Center that offers 8 different social services programs to the community and employs a staff of 40; 16 of whom are Registered Social Workers. Donald is Metis, married to Lola for 49 years, the father of 3 adult children, grandfather of 10 and believes in the power of the family and community. He is a product of the inner city of Edmonton and remembers, as a 5 year old, living in the Lincoln hotel with his mother and two younger sisters and roaming the downtown area at will. In later years he was in Boarding School on 106 street, boarded with a family on 110 street, and returned to live

with his family in the Alberta Avenue area until he joined the Army at age 16. He spent the next 37 years serving

his country, earning the rank of Master Warrant Office, commissioned to the rank of Captain and was employed as a health care administrator until his retirement. Throughout this time, he was active in the community as a coach, a community worker, and an addictions counselor. He is a strong supporter of the Aboriginal community and advocates for their empowerment, self-sufficiency, and inclusion. He believes that the way to a better future for Aboriginal people is through education and positive community development and that you have to be involved to make a difference. He is the Board Chairperson of Poundmakers Lodge Treatment Centres, Secretary Aboriginal Veterans Society of Alberta, sat on the steering committee for the Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution, and a member of the Edmonton Aboriginal Accord Elders Circle as well as many other work related committees.



Dr. Valerie Massey

Dr. Valerie Massey is a registered psychologist with extensive experience in working with alcohol-affected individuals across the life span. She has presented at provincial, national, and international conferences on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and was a member of the Alberta Medical Association's FAS Practice Guidelines Review Committee. She also works with a number of agencies at the local, provincial, and inter-provincial levels to establish appropriate psychological assessment procedures and to ensure that diagnosis is standardized. Dr. Massey is an adjunct professor at the University of Alberta and also belongs to other professional associations, including the National Academy of Neuropsychologists. She maintains a busy private practice in neuropsychology, specializing in the diagnosis of complex neurodevelopmental disorders, including FASD. She consults

with school boards, government agencies and the provincial and federal levels, non-governmental agencies, community groups, and affected individuals and their families. She is an expert witness at the levels of family and youth court, criminal court, and the Court of Queen's Bench in Alberta.



The Honourable Landon Pearson O.C.

The Honourable Landon Pearson O.C., a long-time child advocate and former senator, is currently chair of the Landon Pearson Resource Centre for the Study of Childhood and Children's Rights at Carleton University. Prior to her appointment to the Senate, Landon had been involved for many years in activities and issues related to children and young people. With her late husband, Geoffrey, a distinguished diplomat, she represented Canada in France, Mexico, India and the former Soviet Union and worked with local children wherever she could. Geoffrey's interests lay in strengthening the political and institutional architecture for international peace

and security through thoughtful and constructive negotiation. Landon's efforts were increasingly directed to building its human foundations by protecting, promoting and fulfilling the rights of children. In the Senate she soon became known as the children's senator and continued to work on international issues related to children as advisor on children's rights to a succession of foreign ministers as well as personal representative of Prime Minister Jean Chretien to the UN Special Session on Children in 2002. She also focused on issues related to young people in Canada throughout her 10-year membership on the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs where she was asked to sponsor many of the bills affecting the lives of children including the Youth Criminal Justice Act. She also served on the Aboriginal People's Committee and, as vice-chair, helped to shape the Human Rights' Committee's report on Canada's implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child entitled "Who's in Charge Here?" Since leaving the Senate Landon has concentrated on enabling young people to exercise their right to "have a voice" and on building a community of child rights scholars committed to hearing them. Landon has published two books, co-authored two more and written numerous articles and reports. She holds a master's degree in educational psychology and six honorary doctorates. She is the mother of five (one deceased) and the grandmother of twelve.



Dr. Nicole LeBlanc

Dr. Nicole LeBlanc is a pediatrician practicing in Moncton, N.B. Dr. LeBlanc received her medical doctorate in June 1993 from the Université de Sherbrooke in Quebec. She then went on to do her residency program in pediatrics at both l'Université Laval in Québec City and at the Isaak Walton Killam Hospital at Dalhousie University in Halifax, N.S. where she received her pediatric specialty certification in June 1997. Since then, Dr. LeBlanc has been practicing in the field of general pediatrics at the Dr. Georges L. Dumont University Hospital Centre in Moncton, N.B. She is an associate clinical professor from the Université de Sherbrooke and Université de Moncton as well as an examiner for the Royal

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. She is the chief of the pediatrics department as well as chief of the mother-health department at the Dr. Georges L. Dumont University Hospital Centre. Dr. LeBlanc is a strong believer in community involvement and is active in many community projects. From 2002 to 2005, Dr. LeBlanc was a member of the national consultant committee to the Minister of Health of Canada on fetal alcohol spectrum disorder. In March 2005, she was one of the co-authors of the fetal alcohol spectrum disorder "Canadian guidelines for diagnosis". She has been a speaker provincially, nationally and internationally on the topic of FASD. She has been involved provincially in establishing the Eastern Door diagnostic FASD clinic and has actively been leading the development of the NB Centre of Excellence for FASD which started its operations in January 2012.



Professor Kent Roach

Kent Roach is a Professor of Law at the University of Toronto where he holds the Prichard Wilson Chair in Law and Public Policy. He has been editor in chief of the Criminal Law Quarterly since 1998 and was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 2002. He is the author of 12 books many of which have won or been short-listed for various awards as well as over 175 articles and chapters published throughout the world. He teaches criminal law and has written Criminal Law, published by Irwin Law and now in its 5th edition. He has served as research director of both the Goudge Inquiry into Forensic Pathology and the Air India

Inquiry and is presently with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission on the legacy of residential schools. He frequently represents Aboriginal and civil liberties groups in interventions in courts including in the landmark Gladue and Ipeelee sentencing cases and has been awarded for his pro bono work.



Mr. Bill Robinson

Mr. Bill Robinson is the AGLC's President and Chief Executive Officer and is an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Board of the AGLC. Bill was appointed to his position in August 2012 after an open competition. In his position as President and CEO, he is responsible for the daily operations of the AGLC. During a highly rewarding 34-year career with the RCMP, Bill served in many communities across Canada, including 18 years in Alberta. Having served in Fort McMurray, Fort Chipewyan, Stettler, Red Deer, Sylvan Lake, Edmonton, and numerous other communities, Bill has a true appreciation of the dynamics of Alberta and has formed many strong bonds and friendships along the way. During this time, he gained respect for the work we do at the AGLC both professionally through his work with the RCMP (in the Major Crime Unit in Edmonton and as Sergeant and Watch Commander in Red Deer)

as well as personally as a parent attending fundraising events for his children's activities. Having worked closely with many organizations on a wide variety of legal and policy issues, Bill has developed close working relationships with officials at all levels of government and the private sector. Throughout his career Bill has focused on strategic and innovative approaches that benefit stakeholders, partners, employees and oganizations alike. Prior to joining

the force, Bill was employed in the banking industry and retail industry in a management capacity. Bill holds a Master's Degree in Work Organizations and Leadership from Athabasca University, a Bachelor's Degree from Thompson Rivers University and a Certificate in Criminal Justice from the University of Virginia. Additionally, he is a graduate of the 204th session of the F.B.I. National Academy in Quantico, Virginia and the Queen's University Executive Leadership Program. Bill is a member of the Order of Merit of Police Forces, a recipient of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, Governor General's Medal of Bravery, the Lieutenant Governor's Award of Merit (Alberta), the RCMP Commissioner's Commendation for Bravery, RCMP Silver Clasp and Star for long service, and two Commanding Office's Commendations. Bill has been named as a recipient of both the Queen's Golden Jubilee and Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medals.



Ms. Wilma Shim

Ms. Wilma Shim was awarded a Chancellor Club Scholarship at the University of Calgary, where she pursued her Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology and remained in Calgary to complete her Law Degree. Following her Articles, Wilma worked as a Crown Prosecutor. Currently, she is a lawyer in the Civil Litigation Department with Alberta Justice and Solicitor General. As an involved member of the University of Calgary community, Wilma was an elected member of the Students' Union for 3 years (Faculty of Law Representative (2009-2010), Academic Commissioner (2006-2007), & Faculty of Kinesiology Representative (2005-2006)),

the President of the Society of Law Students (2009-2010), and an executive member for Pro Bono Students Canada (2008-2009). In 2007, Wilma founded the Young Kinesiology Alumni Association and has served as President of the Kinesiology Alumni Association. In 2010, she received the President's Award for Excellence in Student Leadership and was inducted into The Order of the University of Calgary. Wilma represented Canada at the World Junior Powerlifting Championships in LaGarde, France. She won a Bronze medal in the Deadlift Competition. She has coached powerlifting with Special Olympics Calgary for the past 6 years and is one of the coaches for Team Calgary at the Provincial Summer Games. Currently, she is a Director on the Board of Directors for Special Olympics Alberta and is using her legal training to support and advocate for individuals with intellectual disabilities.



Ms. Lee Ann (Weaver) Tyrrell

Ms. Lee Ann (Weaver) Tyrrell post-secondary education includes Registered Nurse (Regina General Hospital) Bachelor of Science in Nursing Education (University of Alberta) Law Degree (University of Alberta) and articles with the Law Firm of Milner and Steer. Her career has focused on the welfare of children. This includes teaching pediatric nursing, representing the interests of children in guardianship issues, working with the Yellowhead Tribal Council to develop education and child welfare infrastructure, negotiating and administering agreements with the government of Canada and Alberta to

fund that infrastructure and creating the Yellowhead Tribal Services Agency, a separate legal entity to deliver those services. Following this she became an internal consultant for the Government of Alberta for policy planning and contract administration. She was the Alberta Project Manager for the Alberta Interdepartmental FASD Initiative and the Alberta, British Columbia and Manitoba FASD Initiative. She has served on the Boards of The Hope Foundation, CASA, and the TD (Toronto Dominion Bank) Friends of the Environment. For twenty-five years she has been the legal guardian for a friend with an undiagnosed developmental disability.



Dr. Gail Andrews

Gail received university training at McGill University and Pediatrics at the Montreal Children's Hospital. She did a research Fellowship in Neonatology at the University of Alberta. Subsequently she developed interest in Neurobehavioral Disorders, with or without known risk factors, including FASD, Autism and other conditions. She is currently Site Lead of Pediatrics at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital in Edmonton, affiliated with the University Of Alberta Department of Pediatrics where she is Clinical Professor. Gail is the Medical Director of the Glenrose FASD Clinical and Research Services with Dr. Carmen Rasmussen as research lead. The GRH FASD research team has explored the neurobehavioral profile in FASD, neuroimaging studies, interventions and as part of NeuroDevNet FASD Project biological studies in Saccadic eye movements, cortisol and genetic/epigenetic factors. Gail is a founding Board member of the Canada FASD Research Network and continues to work

with the FASD Diagnosis Network. Gail is appointed external expert to the Alberta Government Cross Ministry Committee on FASD that oversees the strategic plan for FASD in Alberta. She is the Co-Chair of the Research and KT committee of the Canadian Network of Child and Youth Rehabilitation, under the Canadian Association of Pediatric Health Centers. This role involves engaging with researchers in various aspects of Neuromotor/developmental disabilities and bridging research to practices and policies. Training of professionals about FASD is a thrust of her academic work, funded by Alberta Centre for Child, Family and Community Research. Gail was recognized for FASD advocacy with the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012.



Ms. Lydia Bubel

Ms. Bubel was admitted to the Alberta Bar in 1977. For the past 36 years she has practiced in the Family Law area. In keeping with her belief that all members of society deserve access to justice and the legal system, Lydia has always made room in her practice for Legal Aid and pro bono clients. In 1991 she volunteered as a committee member with the Legal Aid Society of Alberta. In 1997 she accepted a nomination as a member of the Board of Directors of Legal Aid. She was asked by Legal Aid and its stake holders, Alberta Justice and The Law Society of Alberta, to Chair the Steering Committee of the Family Law Office Pilot Project in 2002. The project's mandated goal was to develop a new and innovative way to provide legal services for Legal Aid Alberta's family law clients. The pilot project opened in Edmonton and Calgary in 2003. After an exhaustive evaluation the pilot project became the Family Law Office which has become a respected and recognized program of Legal Aid Alberta, providing

holistic legal services and representation to some of Alberta's most disadvantaged families. After a very short foray into retirement, Lydia returned to the practice of law, and in 2005 she joined the Family Law Office in Edmonton as a staff lawyer. In 2009 Lydia became the Team Lead for FLO's child welfare practice group. With FLO's support she helped design and implement a new approach to child welfare practice. The Enhanced Early Resolution Team encourages timely collaboration with Children's Services whenever possible, with a focus on determining and finding appropriate supportive services to help families keep their children in their care. In recognition of FLO's and Lydia's experience in child welfare law and issues, they were appointed in 2010 to act as Interveners to represent the parents and guardians of children who have died while in the care of the Director of Children's Services, in an application brought by the news media to The Information and Privacy Commissioner. Lydia and FLO have tried to meet the challenges of representing clients with FASD in child protection matters and in custody and access disputes, and are pleased to have an opportunity to share their experiences, concerns, and their "wish list" for the consideration of the jury panel.



Dr. Larry Burd

Dr. Larry Burd is a professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Director of the North Dakota Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Center and FAS Clinic. Dr. Burd has been with the Pediatric Therapy Program for 31 years where he has evaluated over 15,000 children with birth defects, developmental disorders and mental illness. He has ongoing longitudinal studies of linked cohorts of subjects with Tourette syndrome, autism, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder and infant mortality risk that are in their 26th year of data collection. He published over 200 professional papers on topics dealing with development and behavior in children and adolescents. His research sites have included 41 different countries. Dr. Burd is a Co-PI for the PASS study which is examining outcomes from 12,000 pregnancies with an

emphasis on prenatal exposures to alcohol, smoking and other environmental factors. He recently opened new sites in the Congo, Mexico, and China.



Dr. Albert E. Chudley

Dr. Albert Chudley is a professor at the University of Manitoba and is Medical Director of the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority Program in Genetics and Metabolism. He is a medical geneticist and pediatrician with experience in the etiology of genetic and teratogenic disorders that cause birth defects and/or intellectual disabilities. Dr. Chudley has had a particular interest in the recognition, diagnosis, prevention and intervention strategies related to Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD). He has been involved in the Manitoba Youth Justice FASD initiative since its inception and was a co-PI and co-author of the prevalence study of FASD in a Canadian federal correctional institute. He was the lead author of the Canadian Diagnostic Guidelines for FASD. He served on Health Canada's National Advisory Committee on FASD. He is a current member of the National FASD Screening Tool Steering Committee of the Canadian Association

of Paediatric Health Centres, and supported by grants from Public Health Agency Canada. He is one of the Team Lead in the FASD stream of the NeuroDevNet, established by the National Centres of Excellence. He previously served as a Board member on the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network, and remains a member of the clinical network. Dr. Chudley has been a consultant to provincial, national and international organizations and governments on issues related to FASD. He was co-Chair of the Second International French FASD meeting held on December 15-16, 2011 in Strasbourg, France.



Dr. Sterling Clarren

Dr. Sterling Clarren is the CEO and Scientific Director of the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network and clinical professor of Pediatrics at the University of British Columbia and the University of Washington. Since 1975, Dr. Clarren has applied his training in dysmorphology, neuropathology, neuroembryology, and developmental pediatrics to the problems of fetal alcohol spectrum disorders in clinical diagnosis, clinical evaluation and intervention, and clinical and basic research. Dr. Clarren wrote the first major summary article on the clinical pattern of malformation associated with alcohol teratogenesis in the New England Journal of Medicine in 1978. He was co-author of the 4-Digit Diagnostic Code for FAS and related conditions. This last work has recently been accepted, with minor modification, as the Canadian standard for FASD diagnosis. Dr. Clarren developed one of the first pediatric clinics focused on the diagnosis of FASD and related conditions in 1978, and has refined the clinical

approach over many years. In 2001 he was given the Henry Rosett Award by the Fetal Alcohol Study Group of the Research Society on Alcoholism in recognition of "outstanding clinical insight, leadership, and research". In 2006, he received the Award for Career Excellence from the National Organization for FAS in Washington DC. He lectures internationally and has recently been a distinguished visiting professor at both Queen's University and at McGill.



Dr. Julianne Conry

Dr. Julianne Conry received her Ph.D. in 1969 from the University of Wisconsin and retired from the University of British Columbia in 2001 after 33 years in the Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology and Special Education. She currently provides the neuropsychological assessments as part of the multidisciplinary team evaluations for FASD at the Asante Centre in Maple Ridge, B.C. and in northern communities in B.C. Dr. Conry has been active in research and the clinical assessment of children, youth, and adults with FASD for over 30 years and has appeared as expert witness on FASD in the Provincial and Supreme Courts of British Columbia and the Yukon. With Drs. Diane K. Fast and Christine Loock, she collaborated on the first Canadian prevalence study of youth with FASD in the criminal justice system. With Dr. Fast she co-authored, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and the Criminal Justice System (2000) and several articles on FASD and mental health

disorders. With Dr. Chudley and others, she co-authored "Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Canadian Guidelines for Diagnosis" (CMAJ, March 2005). Since 2008, she has been on the Scientific Review committee of the Canadian Foundation for Fetal Alcohol research.



Ms. Donna Debolt

Donna Debolt is a social worker in private practice who translated her 30 years with Child Protection into working as an outspoken advocate for children and adults who have life long risks for health, development, learning and behavioral difficulties associated with prenatal exposure to alcohol. In her role as an FASD Specialist, Donna challenges communities through case management, advocacy and training to develop and implement prevention, intervention and management strategies so that families and communities can successfully cope and plan for useful futures for these high needs individuals. Donna developed curriculum for and taught in a unique program at the Lethbridge College specifically geared to preparing professionals to work in this field. She is also providing clinical support to a nationally recognized justice project that does case management work for individuals with FASD who

interface with the justice system. She has also been asked by Alberta Child and Youth Services to oversee an innovative program targeting practice standards that is hoped will create expertise in Child Welfare practice, improve outcomes for children and youth diagnosed or suspected as having FASD, test new ideas and act on the new knowledge created. It is Donna's belief that most innovative programs are created through collaboration and through sharing experiences and skills we will create improved outcomes for individuals and their families.



Mr. William J. Edwards

Mr. William J. Edwards is a Deputy Public Defender with the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office, and has served in that position since 2001. Mr. Edwards was inducted into the National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (NOFAS) HALL of Fame in 2012 and currently serves as co-chair of the National Advisory Board of NOFAS. From 2008 to 2011, he worked in the mental health court where he represented people with intellectual disabilities and mental illness, and has specialized in this field since 1994. Prior to working in Los Angeles, Mr. Edwards worked with the Office of the Public Defender in San Diego and Riverside County, California. From 1999 to 2001, Mr. Edwards worked as a staff attorney for the Office of the Capital Collateral Counsel in Tallahassee, Florida, where he represented

inmates under sentence of death in state and federal court. Since 1996 to 2001 on a pro bono basis, Mr. Edwards has represented inmates with intellectual disabilities or mental illness on death row nationwide, including inmates in Texas, Nebraska, Mississippi, Louisiana and Florida. For three years, Mr. Edwards served as one of the amicus attorneys for Johnny Paul Penry, an inmate with intellectual disabilities on death row in Texas. In Penry v. Johnson 532 U.S. 782 (2001), a landmark Supreme Court case, Mr. Edwards and other amicus attorneys argued that the execution of people with intellectual disabilities violates both national and international law. Mr. Edwards has authored numerous articles on the subject of people with intellectual disabilities in the criminal justice system. One of his publications was cited by the United States Supreme Court in Atkins v. Virginia 536 U.S. 304 (2002). Prior to the United States Supreme Court decision banning the execution of people with intellectual disabilities, he also consulted with and testified before many state governmental legislative bodies regarding the problems people with intellectual disabilities face while in the criminal justice system. At the request of Temple University's Institute on Disabilities, located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Mr. Edwards wrote a training manual for attorneys who represent people with intellectual disabilities, a manual which is used across the United States and in other countries such as Australia. From 2002 until 2005, Mr. Edwards served on the Faculty of the National Academy for Equal Justice for People with Developmental Disabilities at Temple University. During 1997-1999, Mr. Edwards was honored with the Rosemary F. Dybwad International Fellowship sponsored by the National Association of Retarded Citizens. This fellowship allowed Mr. Edwards to travel throughout Canada to train and educate Legal Aid Attorneys and Public Defenders in the area of intellectual disabilities and fetal alcohol syndrome/fetal alcohol spectrum disorders in the criminal justice system.



Ms. Cathy Lane Goodfellow

Ms. Cathy Lane Goodfellow graduated from the University of Alberta Law School in 1983 and practiced law in Edmonton from 1984 to 1991 in the areas of family law and youth criminal defence. In 1992 she relocated to Calgary and has been in continuous employment with the Youth Criminal Defence Office since October 1993, became the Assistant Senior Counsel in 2008 and Acting Senior Counsel in 2012. Cathy obtained her Master of Laws Degree in 1995 and her thesis focused on the Young Offenders Act and the ethical and legal obligation for specialized advocacy for young people. She has guest lectured numerous times for a wide variety of community and social agencies, been a lecturer for the Legal Education Society of Alberta and a sessional instructor at both the University of Calgary and University of Alberta. She was the recipient of the 2005 Distinguished Service Award from the Law Society of Alberta and Canadian Bar

Association, Alberta Branch. Cathy shares her busy life with husband Steve Goodfellow, step-daughters Cristy and Amanda, sons-in law Brux and Chad, two beautiful granddaughters Taiya and Heidi, Lucy the retriever cross who thinks she is a lap dog and a twenty pound cat named Kohl. In her leisure time she likes to golf, swim and do some yoga and she loves photography and being a member of the "pit crew" for husband Steve whose passion is vintage road course racing.



Dr. Stephen Greenspan

Dr. Stephen Greenspan, PhD is Emeritus Professor of Educational Psychology at the University of Connecticut and Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Colorado. He has written extensively on social competence and adaptive functioning in people with neuro-cognitive disorders, and he is the most cited authority on Intellectual Disability in the two most used diagnostic manuals, including DSM-5. His 2009 book "Annals of Gullibility" and his work on behalf of criminal defendants with disabilities caused him to be the 2008 winner of the Dybwad Award for Humanitarianism from the American Association on Intellectual and developmental Disability and the 2011 Jacobson Award for Critical Contributions from the American Psychological Association.



Dr. Philip Jacobs

Dr. Philip Jacobs is a Professor of Health Economics in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Alberta and IHE's Director of Research Collaborations. He conducts research into costing health care services, economic evaluation analysis and health care financing issues. Philip is responsible for the production of the IHE IN YOUR POCKET series of health economic statistics booklets, and is currently working on economic studies in vaccinations, colorectal cancer screening, mental health, and fetal alcohol spectrum disorder.



Ms. Fia Jampolsky

Ms. Fia Jampolsky has a degree in Political Science and Canadian Studies from University of Alberta and a law degree from University of Calgary. She is presently completing an LLM through Osgoode Hall Law School at York University. Ms. Jampolsky has worked at Cabott and Cabott since February 2010, representing survivors of Residential School survivors advance Independent Assessment Claims for sexual and serious physical abuse under the Settlement Agreement. Ms. Jampolsky practiced law at Legal Aid for over 10 years, working in the areas of criminal, family and child protection law throughout the Yukon. In that time, she represented hundreds of clients, many of whom were assessed with or suspected of having an FASD. She served on the board of FASSY from 2004 – 2010. With the generous assistance

of the Yukon Law Foundation, she is presently completing a research project on the intersection between FASD victim and offender within the Criminal Justice System. Ms. Jampolsky has also been the chair of the Yukon Human Rights Commission since December 2010.



Dr. Gideon Koren

Dr. Koren is the founder and director of the Motherisk Program and a Professor of Pediatrics, pharmacology, pharmacy, medicine and medical genetics, University of Toronto. He is a staff pediatrician at The Research Institute Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto and The Ivey Chair in Molecular Toxicology University of Western Ontario Canada. Dr. Koren is the author/co-author of hundreds of scientific articles, book chapters and abstracts and a member of numerous professional societies. In 1999 he received the Irving Sunshine Award (awarded by the International Association of Therapeutic Drug Monitoring & Clinical Toxicology), and in 1997 he received the prestigious Rawls-Palmer Award. Both awards were for outstanding contributions to clinical toxicology. In March 2000, Dr. Koren received

the Medical Research Council of Canada's Senior Scientist award for his work in Population Health Sciences, and in September 2003 he was awarded the Pippenger Award for outstanding achievement by the International

Association for Therapeutic Drug Monitoring and Clinical Toxicology. Dr. Koren is founder of the FACE (Fetal Alcohol Canadian Expertise) Network and the peer reviewed Journal of FAS International. In 2004, Dr. Koren was appointed as the Ivey Chair in Molecular Toxicology at the University of Western Ontario. He is creating a Canadian Network of Human Toxicology. In 2011, Dr. Koren and the Motherisk team received the CIHR-CMAJ award for Innovation in health care.



Mr. Corey La Berge

Corey La Berge initially began work in this field as a medical anthropologist, and then returned to university to earn a law degree. Since then, he has championed the rights of youth with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) to fair treatment within the legal system by not only advocating for them individually as legal clients but also by advocating for increased resources, and systemic change. His efforts since 2004 have included offering increased education for his colleagues in the judicial system, giving hands-on support for

the development of specific programs to address needs, acting as a consultant to those in Child and Family Service organizations working with affected youth, elevating the issue of justice for youth within organizations dedicated to serving persons with FASD, and finally, providing public education. Further, he has been able to link his work in a meaningful way to First Nations knowledge, culture and traditions. Corey La Berge's leadership is evident in the way he manages opportunities to make a difference. His approach to creating change occurs at every level. He demonstrates on a personal level how to work with youth in a respectful, caring, and knowledgeable manner. He continues to make as many others as possible aware of the plight of youth criminalized as a result of their disability. He challenges the justice system to change using the mechanisms within that system to advocate in defense of the rights of youth.



Prof. Allan Manson

Allan Manson is a Professor in the Faculty of Law, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. Prior to joining the Faculty in 1977, he was a practising criminal lawyer in Toronto, Canada. He has continued on occasion to represent prisoners and argue cases in court. From 1990 to 1994, he served as the Project Director for the Ontario Law Reform Commission study of the coroners' system. In 1994-1995, he was a Deputy Judge of the Yukon Territorial Court. From 2005 to 2008, he worked with the firm of Wardle, Daley as co-counsel to a party with standing at the Cornwall Public Inquiry. Along with numerous articles and book chapters on criminal law topics, especially sentencing, imprisonment and evidence, he has written or co-edited a number of books: "Sentencing and Penal Policy in Canada", 2nd Ed. (Toronto: Emond Montgomery, 2008, with P. Healy, G. Trotter, D. Ives, J. Roberts); "Free Speech in Fearful Times" (Toronto: Lorimer, 2007,

with James Turk); "Commissions of Inquiry: Praise or Re-Appraise" (Toronto: Irwin, 2003, with David Mullan); "The Law of Sentencing" (Toronto: Irwin, 2001); "Release from Imprisonment: The Law of Sentencing, Parole, and Judicial Review" (Toronto: Carswell, 1990, with David Cole). In 2010, he won the CIAJ Charles Gonthier Research Fellowship.



Ms. Patricia MacPherson

Patricia MacPherson is a senior research manager with the Addictions Research Centre, Correctional Service Canada and a research associate with the University of Moncton. She received her BA in psychology from the University of PEI, and her Masters in neuroscience from the University of Calgary. Patricia has been a member of the Atlantic Intergovernmental FASD Partnership for 9 years, and as part of her work for the partnership, was part of an advisory panel that directed an environmental scan of the state of FASD-related policies and activities in the Atlantic Region. Since 2003, Patricia has been the lead for CSC's research on FASD.

Her research has focused on the development of appropriate screening and diagnostic protocols for federally incarcerated men and women and has begun to provide estimates of prevalence among Canada's federal offender population. In 2012, she formed part of a small working group that engaged senior corrections management to recognize FASD Awareness Day, and was successful in having the Commissioner send a message to all CSC staff nationally for the first time. Institutions across the country were sent informational material on FASD and for the first annual FASD awareness event the feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Through her research and by conducting learning and development activities for CSC staff at all levels, she has informed the development of FASD-appropriate policies and services for the adult offender population.



Ms. Barb Martini

Barb has over 25 years experience with the Government of Alberta. She has worked in the areas of Income Support, Handicapped Children's Services, Persons With Developmental Disabilities and the Office of the Public Guardian (OPG). As a Public Guardian Representative, and later as North Public Guardian, Barb worked with individuals diagnosed with FASD and understands the multiple challenges facing the individual, their family and the need for the coordination of systems and supports in order to provide the most benefit to the individual. Barb was active in all stages of the community consultations leading up to the proclamation of the Adult Guardianship and Trusteeship Act (AGTA) in Oct 2009. This legislation looks at capacity on a continuum and offers a range of supports from informal or non court ordered arrangements, to the traditional court appointed Guardianship and Trusteeship order.

In the role of Provincial Director of OPG, she is responsible for setting the strategic direction for the OPG, and the administration of the AGTA, which includes the oversight of the Capacity Assessment Model and the Complaints Officer function. Barb has a Bachelor of Social Work degree from the University of Victoria and a Masters of Education in Community Rehab and Disabilities Studies from the University of Calgary.



Dr. Kaitlyn McLachlan

Dr. Kaitlyn McLachlan is a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Pediatrics, at the University of Alberta, and cross-appointed with the Child and Family Research Institute at the University of British Columbia. She received her MA and PhD in Clinical Psychology with a specialization in forensic psychology from Simon Fraser University. Kaitlyn has conducted extensive research among justice-involved adolescents and young adults with FASD, in addition to other vulnerable populations involved in the criminal justice system. Her doctoral research focused on the psychologal abilities, risks, and needs of this population. She continues to

be involved in many justice-focused research initiatives in this area, including a prevalence study of FASD, mental health substance abuse problems among adult offenders in Yukon, as well as a best practices assessment for youth with FASD and concurrent substance abuse problems, in partnership with the Asante Centre. Kaitlyn is also a research trainee/fellow with NeuroDevNet, collaborating on the mutlisite FASD demonstration study evaluating the effects and outcomes of prenatal alcohol exposure. Kaitlyn's clinical training in psychology has also seen her working in a diagnostic capacity in both clinical and forensic FASD assessment teams.



Dr. Arlin Pachet

Dr. Pachet is one of a select few Board Certified Clinical Neuropsychologists in Western Canada. He has maintained a private practice since 2003 and was the Team Leader for the Regional Capacity Assessment Team in Calgary from inception in 2005 until 2011. Dr. Pachet has completed over 900 capacity evaluations and has also provided numerous capacity training workshops within Alberta Health Services and abroad. Dr. Pachet was a requested contributor to the proposed changes to the Personal Directive Act and the Adult Guardianship and Trusteeship Act and he is currently one of the trainers for the Designated

Capacity Assessors in Alberta. Lastly, Dr. Pachet has a wide variety of professional presentations and publications in the fields of capacity assessment, test construction and validity, and acquired brain injury and he has provided expert testimony to the Courts of Queen's Bench within various jurisdictions in Canada. He also holds current appointment as an Adjust Assistant Professor at the University of Calgary.



Dr. Jacqueline Pei

Dr. Jacqueline Pei is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Psychology and Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. Also a practicing registered psychologist for the past 10 years, Dr. Pei began her career as a criminologist and forensic counselor working with incarcerated youth. Motivated by this early work, she returned to academia to study youth at risk, child development, and neuropsychology, leading to her current focus on interventions for individuals with FASD. Building on her work with various community and government agencies, including serving on the FASD Clinical

Diagnostic Team at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital, Dr. Pei currently leads the Intervention Network Action Team (iNAT) for the Canada FASD Research Network.



Ms. Nancy Poole

Ms. Nancy Poole is well known for her collaborative work on FASD-related research, training and policy initiatives with governments and organizations at the local, provincial and national levels. Since 1996, she has worked with BC Women's Hospital and the BC Centre of Excellence for Women's Health on research relating to policy and service provision for women with substance-use problems. On behalf of the Centre of Excellence and BC Women's Hospital, she currently leads province-wide professional training and resource development for the ActNow BC, Healthy Choices in Pregnancy initiative. With Dr. Amy Salmon, she is a Co-Leader of the Network Action Team on FASD Prevention of

the Canada FASD Research Network. Ms. Poole has recently co-edited a book with Dr. Lorraine Greaves, entitled *Highs and Lows: Canadian Perspectives on Women and Substance Abuse*, published by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Ontario. She holds fellowships with IMPART and NEXUS and is the 2009 Healthway Health Promotion Visiting Research Fellow sponsored by Curtin University and the Government of Western Australia.



Dr. Carmen Rasmussen

Dr. Carmen Rasmussen is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Alberta (Edmonton, Canada) and a Research Affiliate at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital, in Edmonton. She received her PhD in Developmental Psychology from the University of Alberta. She researches neurobehavioral functioning in children and adolescents with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) with a focus on executive functioning. She also studies the efficacy of FASD intervention programs and screening for FASD.



Mr. Jonathan Rudin

Mr. Jonathan Rudin received his LL.B. and LL.M. from Osgoode Hall Law School. In 1990 he was hired to establish Aboriginal Legal Services of Toronto and has been with ALST ever since. Currently he is the Program Director. Mr. Rudin has appeared before all levels of court, including the Supreme Court of Canada. While at ALST he helped establish the Community Council – the first urban Aboriginal justice program in Canada in 1992, and in 2001 helped establish the Gladue (Aboriginal Persons Court at the Old City Hall Courts in Toronto. Mr. Rudin is the chair of the FASD Justice Commitee. The Committee created a website on FASD and the justice system at www.fasdjustice.ca. The website is designed for justice professionals and advocates who work with FASD affected individuals. The site has become the go-to site on the Internet for information on FASD and the justice system with over 1,000,000 visitors to date. He

has also spoken to a wide range of audiences on FASD and the justice system. Mr. Rudin also teaches on a part-time basis in the Law and Society Program at York University. Last but not least, he plays the mandolin and sings with Gordon's Acoustic Living Room, a group that plays regularly in Toronto and has a number of videos on YouTube.



Dr. Kathleen K. Sulik

Dr. Kathleen K. Sulik, Ph.D. is a Professor of Cell Biology and Physiology and a member of the Bowles Center for Alcohol Studies at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, USA. Dr. Sulik is a research scientist whose laboratory employs a mouse model to investigate birth defects caused by maternal alcohol use. With funding from the National Institutes of Health, her current work utilizes high resolution imaging to investigate structural changes in the brain that result from acute insult at very early stages of prenatal development. Relationships of the alcohol-induced structural brain changes to other structural abnormalities (especially those of the face) as well as to neuro-functional changes are being examined. This work is providing new insights for clinical investigation and practice, as well as for prevention approaches. In addition to basic research, Dr. Sulik has been involved in development of science-based middle and high school curricula

directed toward FASD prevention. She has authored over 200 publications. In 1995-6 Dr. Sulik served as the president of the Teratology Society and in 2004-5 as President of the Research Society on Alcoholism Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Study Group. These societies have subsequently honored Dr. Sulik with awards in recognition of her contributions to the FASD field.



Ms. Sarah Treit

Sarah Treit is a PhD candidate in the Centre for Neuroscience at the University of Alberta, under the supervision of Dr. Christian Beaulieu (Biomedical Engineering) and Dr. Carmen Rasmussen (Pediatrics). Sarah's thesis projects investigate brain development in children, adolescents and adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD), through diffusion tensor imaging (DTI), cortical thickness analysis, and standardized cognitive assessments. By combining structural MRI and cognitive testing, Sarah hopes to help establish how altered trajectories of brain development relate to impaired cognition in individuals who were prenatally exposed to alcohol.



The Honourable Judge Sheila Whelan

The Honourable Judge Sheila Pemrose Whelan, Provincial Court of Saskatchewan. Judge of the Provincial Court of Saskatchewan 1996 to present. Designated Queen's Counsel in Saskatchewan in 1995, Qualified Mediator - Law Society of Saskatchewan, 1990; Called to the Manitoba Bar in 1977; called to the Saskatchewan Bar in 1979. B.A., 1973, LL.B., 1976, University of Saskatchewan. Current positions: Administrative Judge - Provincial Court of Saskatchewan - Saskatoon Judicial Centre; Past President, Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges (CAPCJ). Positions held since appointment to the Provincial Court: Executive member, Director and Committee Co-Chair (Family and Youth Justice Committee), Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges (CAPCJ); CAPCJ 2011 Organizing Committee Chair 2009-2011; Administrative Judge for Saskatoon 1999-2000 and 2008-2010; President and Executive

member, Saskatchewan Provincial Court Judges Association (SPCJA) 1999-2000 and 2005-2010. Chair Education Committee SPCJA; Co-Chair and Executive member, Judges Forum, Canadian Bar Association; Provincial Court Judges' Liaison, Canadian Bar Association, Saskatchewan Branch; Board Member, Public Legal Education Association of Saskatchewan Board Member, Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers, Saskatchewan Faculty member, National Criminal Law Program, summer 2007; Faculty member, NJI YCJA 2002 & February 2009 program; Faculty member, CAPCJ New Judges' Education Program (NJEP) 2010. Positions held prior to appointment to the Provincial Court Chair, Board of Governors, University of Saskatchewan President, Tourism Saskatoon; Partner in

the law firm, Jamieson, Bains; Director, Saskatoon City Legal Aid. Since her appointment to the Provincial Court in 1996, Judge Whelan has participated locally and nationally in numerous judicial and public education programs on a variety of topics, notably: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder in the Justice System and the Youth Criminal Justice Act. Judge Whelan is married to Randy Rooke, Q.C. and they have two sons, and three grandchildren. They live on a family farm situated along the South Saskatchewan River on the outskirts of Saskatoon.

Ms. Patricia Yuzwenko

Pat Yuzwenko has been practicing law since 1993. She has been employed by the Youth Criminal Defence Office since 1995, and is the Associate Senior Counsel for the Edmonton office. Her practice is focused on the representation of young persons in conflict with the law and she has appeared at all levels of court in Alberta, in addition to the Supreme Court of Canada. She has been advocating for people with FASD since attending "FASD Training for Legal Professionals" in Calgary in 2002. Subsequent to that she attended several conferences and training sessions on FASD. She has presented on the issue of FASD and the justice system at conferences and seminars in Edmonton, Calgary, Banff, Vancouver and Victoria. She has delivered her presentations to defence counsel as well as to other justice stakeholders. She is one of the founding members of the FASD Justice Support Project for Youth, which provides case planning for youth who have FASD and who are in conflict with the law.

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