

# Parental Alienation Magnified by COVID-19 Pandemic

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, March 15, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Family Access – Fighting for Children’s Rights and the Steel Partners Foundation today announced that Colleen M. Murray, Ph.D., LPC, NCC, an expert in the field of parental alienation, is moderating the upcoming Virtual International Conference on Helping Courts Understand the Phenomenon of Alienation from May 14-16, 2021.

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The tactics that alienating parents use are many. Over the past year, the global plight of Parental Alienation has been magnified under the shadow of the COVID-19 crisis; the trend among alienating parents has been to use the pandemic to justify the withholding of physical contact from the child with the targeted parent. At a time when alienating parents are using COVID-19 as cover for their motives, the family court system struggles to operation under COVID restrictions. This conference will prove timely and valuable.

Dr. Murray will be moderating two panels for professionals in the mental health and legal fields. The panel discussions will be informative and empowering to victims and professionals alike. The experts will discuss Parental Alienation dynamics and how to develop winning strategies both personally and professionally for navigating the legal system.

Panel topics will include:

- COVID-19 Impacts and challenges specific to Parental Alienation



**2021 Virtual International Conference on Helping Courts Understand the Phenomenon of Alienation**  
**Friday, May 14 7-9 pm**  
**Saturday, May 15 8am-5 pm & 7pm-9pm**  
**Sunday, May 16 8am-5 pm**

**Elaine Cobb - President, Family Access - Fighting for Children's Rights; Event Coordinator**

**Co-Director**  
**Steven Miller, M.D.**  
 Degreed in both Psychology and medicine from Brown University. Dr. Miller did residency training at Brown University and Harvard Medical School. For more than 30 years he was on the teaching faculty at Harvard Medical School. He is board certified in both Internal Medicine and Emergency medicine. In addition, he has many years of experience practicing Behavioral Medicine - a specialty that focuses on the interface between medicine and psychology.

**Co-Director**  
**Ashish S. Joshi, LL.M**  
 Owner and managing partner of the firm, serves as the lead counsel in high-stakes, complex disputes and litigation matters. Mr. Joshi's focus lies at the intersection of forensic sciences, human rights, and complex disputes in situations involving severe parental alienation and psychological maltreatment of children, false allegations of child abuse, recovery of abducted children, false allegations of child abuse, recovery of abducted children and/or hidden assets in foreign jurisdictions and multi-jurisdictional disputes.

**Moderator**  
**Colleen Murray, Ph.D., LPC**  
 A licensed practicing counselor in Saint Robert, MO. Dr. Murray has an interest in better defining intimate partner violence (IPV) to include parental alienation. She has spent many years working in the area of IPV and studying the effects and interventions for children subjected to intimate partner violence. Dr. Murray is in private practice with a focus on high conflict divorce and parental alienation. Dr. Murray assists families with co-parenting, reunification of alienated parent, and parent management techniques.

**Keynote Speakers**  
**J. Michael Bone, Ph.D.**  
 An experienced consultant for cases involving Parental Alienation and has spent over 25 years working with high conflict divorce as a therapist, expert witness, mediator, evaluator and consultant, both nationally and internationally. Additionally, he is co-founder of the National Association of Parental Alienation Specialists.  
**Robert A. Evans, Ph.D.**  
 A licensed school psychologist and has been practicing Forensic Psychology for over 25 years throughout the U.S. Dr. Evans forensic services include expert testimony in family law cases with a focus on Parental Alienation (PA), including allegation of parental rejection, child abuse, sex abuse and entanglement. He is trained as a Family Divorce Mediator, Parenting Coordinator, Guardian ad Litem, Collaborative Law Practice and Child Custody Evaluator.

**Session Speakers**  
**Lynn Steinberg, Ph.D., LMFT**  
**Linda Gottlieb, LMFT, LCSW-R**  
**William Bernet, M.D.**  
**Brian Ludmer, B.Com., LLB**  
**Carol Golly, Ph.D., LCSW**  
**Robert Hoffman, P.L.L.C.**

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The Center For Human Potential of America, Inc. has co-sponsored this program with Family Access Fighting for Children's Rights. The Center For Human Potential Of America, Inc. (The Center) is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Center maintains responsibility for this program and its content. This program is approved by the FL Licensing Boards #00 and #01 for 18 CE's and is based on CE Broker. We also have been approved for this program by the North Carolina Bar for 18 CLEs.

## 2021 Virtual International Conference Flyer

- For the alienated parent, when to get and how to find the right mental health support

- For the therapist, how to best inform GALs and Judges regarding Parental Alienation

- For the attorney, what you must know about Parental Alienation victimology

- Parental Alienation case advancement into the judicial system: Is legal remedy appropriate, or are there other options for a targeted parent or grandparents

You do not want to miss this event!

Registration information and conference details are available at [www.familyaccessfightingforchildrensrights.org/helping-courts-understand-the-phenomenon-of-alienation-nc-conference.html](http://www.familyaccessfightingforchildrensrights.org/helping-courts-understand-the-phenomenon-of-alienation-nc-conference.html).

About Family Access – Fighting for Children’s Rights

Our primary concern is the children and grandchildren and then the complete family. Sadly, the children and grandchildren who are alienated from family are being treated as pawns and property. They are neither. They are human beings, and they should not be regarded as such by their parents or any other family member. We contend that it should be illegal to use children as pawns or instruments of spiteful behavior to prevent them from interacting with ALL other family members. Our purpose and goal are to ensure the preservation of extended, traditional family relationships. In the process of this hell on earth called alienation, we need all the knowledge, support, and resources we can get to help our children and grandchildren and then ourselves. Professionals who deal with alienation in helping families will glean much from this website as well. To contact us, please email [familyaccessinn@aol.com](mailto:familyaccessinn@aol.com).



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