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Licensed Psychologist: PA (PS016496) and DE (B1-0000796)

Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT) in 42 states: Mobility #5941

# EDUCATION:

**Psy.D., Clinical Psychology, 2007**

Widener University, Chester, PA

Forensic Psychology Specialization

**M.A., Criminal Justice, 2007**

Widener University, Chester, PA

**M.A., Clinical Psychology, 2005**

Widener University, Chester, PA

**B.S., Psychology, 2002**

St. Joseph’s University, Philadelphia, PA

Minor: Sociology/Criminal Justice

**CURRENT APPOINTMENTS AND POSITIONS:**

**Dr. Robin Lowey & Associates Psychological Services, Philadelphia, PA**

Forensic Psychologist & Chief Executive Officer, June 2019- Present

* Direct the day-to-day operations of a busy practice of twenty-eight licensed mental health professionals and several administrative staff
* Provide consultation and supervision for the other five forensic psychologists in the practice
* Conduct court-ordered psychological, psychosexual, and violence risk assessments of adults and juveniles
* Perform comprehensive psychological evaluations used for criminal mitigation in homicide cases
* Assess juvenile offender’s risks and needs for certification/ decertification purposes
* Conduct evaluations of juvenile competency to proceed to trial
* Complete parental fitness evaluations for the Philadelphia Department of Human Services
* Conduct comprehensive psychological evaluations with parents involved in high conflict divorce and child custody disputes
* Provide expert opinions regarding claims of emotional distress in personal injury and workplace discrimination and harassment cases
* Perform fitness for duty evaluations for a variety of local employers
* Offer expert testimony
* Provide consultation to attorneys by reviewing other psychological evaluations and assisting with cross examination preparation
* Consult on issues related to forensic psychology for those in the media and the film and television industries.

**Pennsylvania Sexual Offender Assessment Board, Harrisburg, PA**

Psychologist Board Member, October 2009- Present

* Appointed by the Governor to provide an expert opinion regarding convicted sex offenders designation as a Sexually Violent Predator (SVP)
* Provide an independent expert opinion to the Parole Board about the risks, treatment, and management needs posed by an individual sex offender being considered for parole

**RELEVANT PAST EXPERIENCE:**

**Dr. Robin Lowey & Associates, LLC, Philadelphia, PA**

Clinical and Forensic Psychologist, August 2008- June 2019

* Conducted over 800 forensic mental health assessments with adults and adolescents
* Performed comprehensive psychological evaluations used for criminal mitigation
* Assessed juvenile offender’s risks and needs for certification/ decertification purposes
* Conducted evaluations of juvenile competency to proceed to trial
* Completed court-ordered psychosexual risk assessments with juveniles and adults
* Provided an expert opinion regarding claims of emotional distress in personal injury and workplace discrimination and harassment cases
* Performed fitness for duty evaluations for a variety of local employers
* Offered expert testimony
* Engaged in individual psychotherapy with adults

**Widener University, Chester, PA**

Adjunct Professor, August 2008- May 2017

* Taught courses in the undergraduate psychology department
* Served on dissertation committees at the Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology

**Intercultural Family Services, Philadelphia, PA**

Psychologist Evaluator, July 2009- May 2010

* Conducted psychological evaluations with children and adolescents to determine the clinical necessity of behavioral health rehabilitative services

**Delaware Department of Services for Children, Youth, and Families: The Division of Child Mental Health, Wilmington, DE**

Psychologist/ Clinical Services Treatment Team Leader, June 2008- July 2009

* Oversaw a managed care maintenance team consisting of several social workers and administrative staff
* Conducted an initial assessment of adolescents referred to the agency, made a determination regarding the level of treatment needed, and monitored progress in treatment over time
* Provided clinical supervision to several social workers

**Delaware State Sex Offender Management Board**

Member, January 2008- July 2009

* Served as the subject matter expert regarding juveniles who have engaged in sexual offending behavior in this multidisciplinary working group designed to create guidelines for the management and treatment of all sex offenders in the state

**Mid-Atlantic Regional Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers**

Elected Representative for Delaware and Board Member, September 2008-October 2009

* Organized state-wide meetings
* Represented the interests of Delaware members of ATSA to the larger group
* Voted on all issues that came before the board

**Delaware Department of Services for Children, Youth, and Families: The Division of Child Mental Health, Newark, DE**

Postdoctoral Fellow, July 2007- June 2008

* Conducted court-ordered psychological evaluations with children and adolescents involved in the juvenile justice system
* Assessed the youths’ emotional, cognitive, and interpersonal functioning, as well as their level of risk for future reoffending
* Provided expert testimony to the Court regarding the adolescents’ risks and needs
* Conducted assessments with children in dependency proceedings regarding the most appropriate placement and treatment options.
* Served as Chair of the Inappropriate Sexual Behaviors Committee
* Responsible for apprising the clinicians at the Division of Child Mental Health of the most recent literature regarding juvenile sex offenders, and how that research should influence best practices and shape the assessment and treatment process with this population
* Devised a protocol to be used throughout the state when assessing juveniles who exhibit inappropriate sexual behaviors

**APA Approved Predoctoral Internship at Widener University’s Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology, Chester PA**

Predoctoral Intern, July 2005 – May 2007

* Conducted court-ordered psychological evaluations with children and adolescents at the Delaware State Division of Child Mental Health Services’ Intake and Assessment Unit in Wilmington, DE
* Represented the Division of Child Mental Health on several committees, including a group dealing with the appropriateness of juveniles being adjudicated and sentenced in criminal court and a group charged with creating guidelines for juvenile competency
* Conducted individual psychotherapy with young adults with a variety of mental health concerns at LaSalle University’s Counseling Center

**Keystone Universal, Chester, PA**

Practicum Trainee, September 2004 – May 2005

* Provided time-limited individual therapy to adults with a vast array of psychiatric disorders in a dual-diagnosis inpatient treatment facility
* Conducted assessments with adolescents newly admitted to the residential treatment facility

**Joseph J. Peters Institute, Philadelphia, PA**

Psychometrician, May 2003- September 2004

* Administered psychological assessment measures to child victims of sexual abuse and adult sex offenders
* Prepared written summaries of the test results

**Westchester University Counseling Center, Westchester, PA**

Practicum Trainee, September 2003 – May 2004

* Conducted individual therapy with college students with a wide range of emotional and behavioral symptoms

**Joseph J. Peters Institute, Philadelphia, PA**

Practicum Trainee, September 2002 – May 2003

* Co-facilitated a long-term treatment group for juvenile sex offenders
* Co-facilitated a manualized cognitive-behavioral therapy group with child victims of sexual abuse
* Conducted intake evaluations with child sexual abuse survivors and their families.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

Member of Division 41, the American Psychology-Law Society, since 2007 (Student Affiliate from 2003-2007)

Member of the Pennsylvania Psychological Association, since 2007 (Student Member from 2003-2007)

Clinical Member of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, since 2007

**PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS/ APPEARANCES & PUBLICATIONS:**

Machinski, N. (August, 2023). Interviewed for NBC 10 (local television broadcast.)

Machinski, N. (May, 2018). Psychological Expert for Intervention (A&E television program.)

Machinski, N. (October, 2015). Interviewed on Fox Good Day (local television broadcast.)

Machinski, N. (August, 2015). Interviewed on Fox Good Day (local television broadcast.)

Machinski, N. (July, 2015). Psychologist on your team: Can the Expertise of a Forensic Psychologist Help Your Case? *The Pennsylvania Lawyer, (Jul-August 2015)*, 32-36.

Machinski, N. (July, 2012). Interviewed on Philadelphia Fox News (local television broadcast.)

Machinski, N. (May, 2011). Psychological Expert for Animal Hoarders (A&E television program.)

Machinski, N. (March, 2009). *The Assessment of Juveniles with Inappropriate Sexual Behaviors.* Workshop conducted at Silverlake Treatment Consortium, Middletown, DE.

Machinski, N. (May, 2008). *The Assessment of Juveniles with Inappropriate Sexual Behaviors.* Workshop conducted at Terry Children’s Psychiatric Center, Wilmington, DE.

Machinski, N. (2007, September). *Females in the Juvenile Justice System.* Workshop conducted at the Delaware State Division of Child Mental Health Services Annual Retreat, Wilmington, DE.

Machinski, N. (2007, June). *Gender Differences in Repeat Juvenile Offenders.* Presentation at the 2007 Annual Convention of the Pennsylvania Psychological Association, Harrisburg, PA.

Machinski, N. (2007, April). *Gender Differences in Risk and Protective Factors of Juvenile Delinquency.* Presentation at the 2007 Pennsylvania Child and Adolescent Service System Providers Interagency Conference: How Does Your Garden Grow?, State College, PA.

Machinski, N. (2007, April). *Gender Differences in Risk and Protective Factors of Juvenile Delinquency.* Presentation at Widener University’s Annual Research Symposium, Chester, PA.

Machinski, N. (2007, March). *Gender Differences in Risk and Protective Factors of Juvenile Delinquency.* Presentation at John Jay University’s Conference: Off the Witness Stand: Using Psychology in the Practice of Justice, New York, NY.

\*References, work samples, information on specialized areas of training, and dates of past testimony available upon request