## Wyomissing Behavior Analysts, Ltd.

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## GARY D. CHAMPLIN, Ph.D.

I am a licensed clinical psychologist specializing in Geriatrics and Developmental Disabilities. I earned both a Masters (1973) and Doctoral (1975) degree in Psychology from Bryn Mawr College. I am licensed to practice psychology in Pennsylvania since 1979.

My professional clinical experience began as a staff psychologist at Wernersville State Hospital in 1977. I served as team leader overseeing treatment for patients with chronic mental illness on two units, at that time referred to as "Behavior Modification Wards."

I subsequently worked at Pennsylvania facilities serving individuals with intellectual disabilities. At Embreeville Center, I served as both psychologist and unit director. At Wernersville State Hospital's ICF-MR Annex, I worked with individuals with dual diagnoses (MH and MR). At Hamburg Center, I served as head of the psychology department and had primary responsibility for developing a model dual diagnosis program serving clients from eastern Pennsylvania.

With the increasing trend toward de-institutionalization, I retired from state employment in 1989 and incorporated my own private consulting practice under the name "Wyomissing Behavior Analysts, Ltd.". In the early years, the mainstay of the practice was contracts with various County MH/MR programs and community agencies to provide psychological and behavior specialist services.

One of my first contracts was to provide consultation to the Community Treatment Teams responsible for supporting individuals with mental illness and/or mental retardation discharged to the community as part of the closure of Philadelphia State Hospital.

In subsequent years, Philadelphia County repeatedly recommended my services to provide consultation and ongoing services to Pennhurst Class Members. In most cases, the precipitator was concerns about the failure of community agencies to provide adequate behavioral supports for these previously institutionalized individuals now living in the community.

In 1988, Philadelphia County contracted with me to complete behavior assessments on especially challenging individuals from Woodhaven Center targeted for placement as part of the Danny B. Class Action Suit. I subsequently provided behavioral consultation and services to several of these individuals.

In 1995, the various parties involved in the suit to close Embreeville Center approved my appointment to provide the mandated expert consultation to psychology staff at the facility. During the 2+ years of my involvement, I developed and helped implemented a comprehensive format for developing behavior support plans and completed behavior consultations on 30+ of the more challenging individuals in anticipation of their community placement.

In August of 2000, the US Department of Justice recommended my services to provide expert consultation regarding the provision of quality behavioral services to Evans Class Members in the District of Columbia. Comparable to Pennhurst, the case involved the closure of an institution and mandated placement of all individuals in the community.

My initial task in the District of Columbia was to complete a detailed report on the status of behavioral services with recommendations for improvement. Subsequent to completion of the report in October of 2000, I provided consultation to specific agencies regarding more challenging individuals and district wide training in a more positive and person-centered approach to providing behavioral services.

In August of 2001, I began an association with Pennhurst Management Group, an international contractor of health care services. My first involvement in 2002 was to provide consultation to professional staff and training to direct care staff in behavior supports at New Lisbon Developmental Center in New Jersey. In the summer of 2002, I served as the Center's Consultant to shadow the US Department of Justice's Psychology Expert during a review of the facility's practices.

In October of 2001, lawyers for the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare (DPW) contacted me to serve as an Expert Witness in a case filed by Pennsylvania Protection & Advocacy to close and place all residents of South Mountain Restoration Center in the community. I wrote a report reviewing select individuals and advocating for a person-centered approach to determining best interest, whether that be placement or to remain at the facility. I reviewed and wrote critiques of expert reports by consultants for the plaintiffs.

In January of 2002, the Maryland Disability Law Center contacted me to provide expert consultation regarding a case of restraint death at the Rosewood Center. I reviewed provided records and drafted a report regarding the quality and appropriateness of provided services and treatment.

In 2003-2004, I provided consultation project with The Chimes of Newark, Delaware, a residential and day program provider for people with mental retardation. My primary charge was to assist in the melding of more traditional behavior change procedures (Association of Behavior Analysts) with more recent person-centered approaches (i.e., Essential Life Style Planning) to providing treatment  $\rightarrow$  support.

In October of 2003, I served as the US Department of Justice's Psychology Expert in a comprehensive on-site review of practices at The Arlington Developmental Center in Tennessee.

From 2005-2008, I provided behavior consultation and support services to consumers in The Association for Independent Growth's (TAIG) Intensive Supports Program in Philadelphia, PA.

From 1989 to 2015, I served as Psychologist for consumers in The ReDCo Group's ICF-MRs in Schuylkill, Northumberland, and Carbon counties of Pennsylvania.

Contiguous with the evolution of my practice in serving the mental retardation population, I have also developed a practice in Geriatrics. I have evaluated over 8000 individuals referred by the Area Agency on Aging, primary physicians, home care agencies, nursing homes and lawyers.

As of January 2019, my practice is limited to evaluations of decision making capacity. I have formal contracts with Schuylkill County Office of Senior Services, Berks County Area Agency on Aging, and Lehigh County Aging and Adult Services.. To date, I have testified over 900 times in Court Hearings regarding Petitions for Guardianship. Whereas I am typically cast in the role of providing evidence of a person's deficiencies and incapacity, I am also recognized as an advocate for the individual.

I served as vice-president of the Board of Directors of the "Arc of Berks County" for 10+ years and on the Board of Directors of the Reading, PA based "Supportive Concepts for Families, Inc" for 8+ years.

- The Arc is a volunteer organization advocating for individuals with mental retardation and active in promoting community integration. In 1995, the Arc of Berks County recognized me for my "... personal advocacy supporting the philosophy of self determination for individuals with disabilities ...."
- Supportive Concepts for Families is a non-profit agency serving both ID and MH populations.

I was a member of Penn State Health St. Joseph Medical Center's Medical Staff in Reading, PA from 1997 until 2023 when I retired my position.

I am devoted to advocating for my clients. I am unique in my willingness to make "house calls", seeing my clients in private homes, nursing homes, hospital rooms, personal care facilities, group homes, or wherever they might feel most comfortable and the most accurate and functional assessment completed.

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**OBJECTIVE** To utilize my professional skills and experience to maximally serve

the Mental Health / Intellectual Disability and Geriatric Populations.

**EDUCATION** Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA

M.B.A., January 1993

Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA

Ph.D. Experimental Psychology, June 1975 M.A. Experimental Psychology, June 1973

Bryn Mawr Fellowship, June 1973

Publication: Journal of Comparative and Physiological

Psychology 1974, 87, 173-187

Albright College, Reading, PA B.S. Psychobiology, June 1971

Milton G. Geil Psychology Prize, 1971

**EXPERIENCE** Wyomissing Behavior Analysts Ltd (January 1989 - present)

> Clinical Director and Vice President of Professional Corporation: provide behavioral consultation, psychological evaluation, capacity evaluation and expert testimony, individual therapy and other clinical services to individuals and agencies serving the Mental Health / Intellectual Disability

and Geriatric Populations.

PA Department of Public Welfare (2001)

Expert Psychology Consultant: PP&A v. PA DPW, provide consultation and expert testimony regarding residents at the South Mountain **Restoration Center** 

Evans Monitoring Program (2000-2002)

Expert Psychology Consultant: current contract to provide consultation and expert testimony regarding behavioral services Evans v. Williams Class Members on behalf of U.S. Department of Justice and Evans Monitoring Program, Washington, D.C.

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EXPERIENCE continued

Embreeville Center (03/28/95 - 08/19/97)

Expert Psychology Consultant: provide consultation to administration and psychology staff regarding psychological services to residents during transition from Embreeville to community placement; completed behavior consultations on residents prior to discharge.

Hamburg Center (July 1986 to May 1989)

Director of Psychology Department: supervised the professional work of 5 Psychological Services Associates; directed an innovative treatment unit for dually diagnosed individuals, referrals from throughout Pennsylvania.

Wernersville ICF/MR (February 1981 to June 1986)

Psychologist: provided full range of psychological services on self-contained 48 bed unit for individuals with diagnosed mental retardation.

Embreeville Center (September 1979 to February 1981)

Psychologist / Acting Unit Director: provided full range of psychological services, supervised team staff on 60 bed unit for individuals with diagnosed mental retardation.

Wernersville State Hospital (February 1977 to August 1979) Psychologist/Treatment Team Director: provided full range of psychological services; design, implementation and monitoring of comprehensive treatment plans on two, 20 bed unit for individuals with significant mental health diagnoses.

Instructor: State University College at New Paltz, 1976; Hahnemann Hospital Medical College, 1975; Temple University, 1975; Albright College, 1974-1975, 1978; taught courses in Introductory Psychology, Learning and Motivation, Statistics, Physiology of Learning.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Pennsylvania Psychology License Certificate #PS-002800-L

Penn State Health St. Joseph Medical Center, Bernville, PA (1997-2023)

American Psychological Association (APA) Pennsylvania Psychological Association (PPA)

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