

**BRIDGING THE GAP VIII – MITIGATION**  
**ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**NOVEMBER 12-14, 2024**  
**AGENDA**

***Tuesday, November 12, 2024***

- 12:00 noon – 12:45 pm    Registration
- 12:45 pm – 1:30 pm    A Moment in Time: Terry Alford  
*State v. Thomas Johnson*  
*(Consider the moment the client shot the victim. Go back in time from before the client was born to the moment when he fired the shot. What pushes and pulls made the client who he is and influenced his decision to kill someone)*
- 1:30 pm – 2:15 pm    Mitigation – What is it? Pam Laughon
- 2:15 pm – 2:30 pm    *Break*
- 2:30 pm – 3:15 pm    Culpability Janine Fodor
- 3:15 pm – 4:00 pm    What Causes People to Act? Vince Rabil
- 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm    Getting Client and Family from “I am not guilty” to “I will Plead to LWOP” to “Save My Life.” Rob Sharpe
- 4:45 pm – 5:30 pm    Gathering and Compiling Mitigation Feather Strasburg

***Wednesday, November 13, 2024***

- 8:30 am – 9:30 am    Early Childhood Development – it is Not Always Conduct Disorder or Oppositional Defiant Disorder or Anti-social Personality Disorder. Dr. Charity Wijetunga
- 9:30 am – 10:30 am    Substance Abuse, TBI, ADHD, and Parenting Capacity. Dr. Jim Hilkey
- 10:30 am – 10:45 am    *Break*
- 10:45 am – 11:45 am    ACE (Adverse Childhood Experiences). Dr. Ginger Calloway
- 11:45 am – 1:30 pm    *Lunch – on your own*
- 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm    Developmental Trauma and PTSD in Children. Dr. Laura Stewart. Dr. Christopher Baker, Dr. Matt Busch

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm Attachment Disorders, Family, and Culture. Dr. Moira Artigues

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm *Break*

3:45 pm – 4:30 pm ID (Intellectual Disability). Dr. Ginger Calloway

**Thursday, November 14, 2024**

8:30 am – 9:15 am Using Mitigation in the First Phase as Defenses/Frontloading. Vicki Jayne

9:15 am – 10:15 am The Mitigation Story. Terry Alford and audience

10:15 am – 10:30 am *Break*

10:30 am – 11:45 am Connecting the Mitigation Story to the Crime/ Connecting the Mitigation Story to the Jury. Stephen Goodwin

11:45 am – 12:30 pm What to do with Mitigation Once You Find it – Presenting it to the Jury. Vicki Jayne

12:30 pm -1:00 pm Saving a Life. Feather Strasburg

**Total General CLE hours: 14.5 hours**