

Forensic University

Falls and Forensic Medicine: Defending Abusive Head Trauma

Wisconsin State Public Defender's Office

March 20-22, 2024

The Ingleside Hotel, Pewaukee, WI

Wednesday 3.20

- 8:00-8:15 **Introduction to Program & Faculty**
- 8:15-8:30 **Kimberly's Case**
- 8:30-9:00 **OMG... Where do I Begin?**
Zack Bravos, JD
- 9:00-9:45 **Big Picture: Historical Underpinnings of AHT (1968-1987) & the ER to CPS Pipeline**
Kate Judson, JD and Keith Findley, JD
- 9:45-10:00 *Break*
- 10:00-11:00 **Biomechanical Primer on Pediatric Head Injuries**
Chris Van Ee, PhD and Caroline Bielak, JD
- 11:00-12:00 **How Medicine Works: The Differential Diagnosis Primer**
Megan Hughes, MPH, MD
- 12:00-1:00 *Lunch (on own)*
- 1:00-2:30 **The Pediatric Forensic Autopsy**
Evan Matshes, MD
- 2:30-2:45 *Break*
- 2:45-3:45 **The Pediatric Forensic Autopsy (cont.)**
Evan Matshes, MD
- 3:45-4:00 *Break*
- 4:00-5:15 **Brainstorming Theme, Theory, and Trial Strategy in Kimberly's Case**
Kathleen Pakes, JD and Randy Papetti, JD

Thursday 3.21

- 8:00-8:30 *Breakfast (coffee, pastries provided)*
- 8:30-10:00 **Clinical Markers Suggestive of AHT or Abuse**
Evan Matshes, MD
- 10:00-10:15 *Break*
- 10:15-11:15 **How to Read a Paper: Challenging the State's Literature**
Christopher Brooks, PhD, and Randy Papetti, JD
- 11:15-12:00 **The Short Fall Literature 1977-2023**
Randy Papetti, JD and Kathleen Pakes, JD
- 12:00-1:00 *Lunch (on own)*
- 1:00-1:45 **Working with Experts in AHT and Abuse Cases**
Caroline Bielak JD; André Loyd PhD, Evan Matshes, MD
- 1:45-2:45 **Kimberly's Case from the Perspective of the Biomechanical Engineer**
André Loyd, PhD
- 2:45-3:00 *Break*
- 3:00-3:45 **Kimberly's Case from the Perspective of the Biomechanical Engineer (cont.)**
André Loyd, PhD
- 3:45-4:00 *Break*
- 4:00-4:45 **Kimberly's Case from the Perspective of a Forensic Pathologist**
Evan Matshes, MD and Randy Papetti, JD
- 4:45-5:30 **Preparing the Cross Examination of the Forensic Pathologist**
Group Brainstorm

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- 8:00-8:30 *Breakfast (coffee, pastries provided)*
- 8:30-9:15 **Preparing Voir Dire**
Randy Papetti, JD and Caroline Bielak, JD
- 9:15-10:15 **Crafting a Winning Opening & Effective Use of Visual Aids**
Kathleen Pakes, JD and Guy Cardamone, JD
- 10:15-10:30 *Break*
- 10:30-12:15 **Constructing the Cross of the Child Abuse Pediatrician**
Bravos, Bielak, Pakes, Papetti
- 12:15-12:30 **Closing Arguments and Closing Comments**
Kathleen Pakes, JD