

The Interrogation & Torture Controversy: Crisis in Psychology

Each day brings more evidence of abusive treatment of detainees that is deeply troubling in a democracy. This conference will focus on the historical and ethical dimensions of this crisis, and an important development within it-the participation of psychologists in detainee interrogations. The American Psychological Association remains the only major professional organization to support involvement of its professionals in detainee interrogations.

Representing a range of views, a distinguished group of scholars and informed observers will confer with participants on questions rarely addressed in public forums. For example, what should happen when the priorities of the military chain of command conflict with the practice standards of a profession? And what constitutes ethical research and consultation on topics important to national security?

Schedule

Morning

9:00~9:30

Welcoming Remarks by

Jeremy Travis, J.D.
President of John Jay College
Ivelaw Lloyd Griffith, Ph.D.
Provost of York College

9:30~11:00

Panel 1

An Overview of Torture, Its Consequences, and Ethical Meanings for Psychologists

Panelists:

Alfred W. McCoy, Ph.D.
Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Michael G. Gelles, Psy.D.
Psychologist, Private Practice

Katherine Eban, M.A.
Investigative Reporter, Contributing Editor to Portfolio Magazine

Charles B. Strozier, Ph.D. (Chair)
Professor of History, John Jay College, Director, Center on Terrorism, John Jay College

Schedule

Morning

11:00~11:10

Break

Refreshments available in the lobby

11:10~12:00

Documentary

“Interrogation Psychologists...The Making of a Professional Crisis”

Dr. Martha Davis, Visiting Scholar, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, premieres a documentary on the APA's support for psychologist involvement in detainee interrogations. Combining documentation and interviews with a perspective shaped by her research and consulting on criminal confessions, Dr. Davis tells the story of the development of the interrogation policy, the protest that it sparked, and the precedents that it sets for the profession.

Afternoon

12:00~1:00

Lunch

A list of restaurants for the area is available in the lobby

Schedule

Afternoon

1:00~2:15

Focus Sessions

The Military and Psychology

Room: Theater

The relationship between the military and psychology is a key element in understanding the current crisis. This session will review the historical and current connections between the U.S. Military and psychology, focusing on the role of the interrogator and the importance of developing ethical guidelines for intelligence officers.

Panelists:

Tony Lagouranis

Former U.S. Army Interrogator

David DeBatto

Retired U.S. Army Counterintelligence Special Agent

Frank Summers, Ph.D. (Chair)

*Associate Professor of Clinical Psychiatry and the Behavioral Sciences,
Northwestern Medical School*

Schedule

Afternoon

1:00~2:15

Focus Sessions

Resistance and Activism within Psychology

Room: 206

The shocking revelations of psychologists' involvement in U.S. Detention Centers where torture and abuse take place have created a crisis in the American Psychological Association, with members torn between their loyalty to their association and needs for the profession of psychology to be force for human rights and ethical practice. This session will describe the work of psychologist activists to inform and organize psychologist and the general public on this issue.

Panelists:

Marianne Jackson, Ph.D.

Private practice, Brooklyn, President, Division of Women's Issues, NYSPA

Brad Olson, Ph.D.

Research Faculty, Northwestern University

Ghislaine Boulanger, Ph.D.

Private practice NYC, faculty, NYU Postdoctoral Program in Psychotherapy & Psychoanalysis

Sharon Brennan, Ph.D. (Chair)

NYSPA Representative to American Psychology Association, Council of Representatives

Schedule

Afternoon

1:00~2:15

Focus Sessions

Ethical Guidelines for Research & Practice Post 9/11

Room: 610

Psychology, like other professions, is guided by ethical principles and a code of conduct. In 2002 the American Psychological Association revised the Ethical Principles and Code of Conduct, effective 2003. This session will focus on clinical practice and research in light of new ethical standards and interrogation policy. Were the revisions of the ethics code influenced by emerging post 9/11 objectives? How does the APA resolution 'against cruel, inhumane and degrading treatment...' inform psychologists involvement in detainee interrogations and other 'national security' activities? What are the implications of these post 9/11 developments for Institutional Review Boards?

Panelists:

Mark Costanzo, Ph.D.

Professor, Psychology Department, Claremont McKenna College

Matthew B. Johnson, Ph.D. (Chair)

Associate Professor of Psychology, John Jay College, Doctoral Faculty in Psychology (Forensic) & Criminal Justice, CUNY Graduate Center

Schedule

Afternoon

1:00~2:15

Focus Sessions

Historical Perspective on Torture

Room: 203

The current crisis over the issues of torture has to be put into an American historical context. Social scientists have long been central in designing and implementing interrogation, torture, and “counter-insurgency” protocols that have proven valuable for clandestine illegal national security operations. The long history of the “Schools of Americas” in Georgia, where thousands of police and military from Latin American were trained in torture techniques, is one such example. Another is the involvement of psychologists and other social scientists in the CIA’s mind control experiments (that included the use of LSD). Nevertheless the war on terror after 9/11 greatly intensified the easy acceptance of coercive interrogation and torture techniques. This session will explore both these broad historical themes and the more immediate issues in the two wars we are fighting.

Panelists:

Michael Flynn, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Psychology, York College, & Associate Director, Center on Terrorism, John Jay College

Lesley Gill, Ph.D.

Professor of Anthropology, Vanderbilt University

Bernice Lott, Ph.D.

Professor of Psychology and Women’s Studies, University of Rhode Island

Susan Opotow, Ph.D. (Chair)

Professor of Sociology, John Jay College

Schedule

Afternoon

1:00~2:15

Focus Sessions

Working with Survivors of Torture & Coercive Interrogation

Room: 630

Increasing attention and awareness has been given to detainees experiencing minimal treatment while imprisoned, and has emphasized the need for healthcare providers to understand the psychological and physical effects of torture and the challenges for treating torture survivors in a clinical setting. This session will focus on the role of health care providers and independent observers in mitigating harm to detainees who have been tortured both during and upon release from imprisonment.

Panelists:

Hawthorne E. Smith, Ph.D.

Director of Clinical Services, Bellevue/NYU Program for Survivors of Torture

Alfred W. McCoy, Ph.D.

Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Itai Sneh, Ph.D. (Chair)

Assistant Professor, History, John Jay College

Schedule

Afternoon

2:15~ 2:30

Break

Refreshments available in the lobby

2:30~4:00

Panel 2

The Ethics of Psychologists in Detainee Interrogations

Panelists:

Steven Reisner, Ph.D.

Senior Faculty, Columbia International Trauma Studies Program

Stephen Behnke, J.D., Ph.D.

Director, American Psychological Association, Office of Ethics

Allen Keller, M.D.

Director, NYU/Bellevue Survivors of Torture Program

Mark P. Denbeaux, J.D.

Professor of Law, Seton Hall University School of Law

Michael Flynn, Ph.D. (Chair)

*Associate Professor of Psychology, York College, CUNY, & Associate Director,
Center on Terrorism*

Schedule

Afternoon

4:00~4:30

Keynote:

Leonard S. Rubenstein, J.D.
President of Physicians for Human Rights

Chair and Closing Comments

Charles B. Strozier, Ph.D.
Professor of History, John Jay College, Director, Center on Terrorism, John Jay College

4:30 ~ 6:30pm

Reception

Please join us for a reception immediately following the conference.
Location: Room 630, 899 10th Avenue (upstairs from the theater - elevator access outside theater entrance)

Biographies



Stephen Behnke, Ph.D., J.D.

Stephen Behnke serves as the Director of Ethics for the American Psychological Association. In 1996, he was appointed Chief Psychologist at the Day Hospital Unit at the Massachusetts Mental Health Center, a position held until 1998, when he was named a faculty fellow at Harvard University's Program in Ethics and the Professions. Behnke directed a program in research integrity in the Division of Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School and presently holds an appointment in the Department of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. His research interests focus on issues at the convergence of law, ethics, and psychology.

Behnke's recent publications include: *Confidentiality at student health services: Private rights, community interests* (Massachusetts Psychological Association Quarterly, 2000), *Criminal Law and Multiple Personality Disorders: The vexing problems of personhood and responsibility* (The University of Southern California Interdisciplinary Law Journal, 2001), and *The Essentials of New York Mental Health Law: A Straightforward Guide for Clinicians of All Disciplines* (W.W. Norton, 2003).



Ghislaine Boulanger, Ph.D.

Ghislaine Boulanger is a clinical psychologist and psychoanalyst in private practice in New York City and faculty member of the NYU Postdoctoral Program in Psychotherapy and psychoanalysis. She is the founding member of WithholdAPAdues.com, a group of APA members pledging to withhold their dues until the APA ceases its collaboration with the U.S. government in Guantanamo Bay and other black sites. Boulanger's interest in the long term effects of surviving sustained violence began when she joined a congressionally mandated epidemiological study of Vietnam veterans in the late nineteen seventies. Since then she has written and taught widely on the psychodynamic causes and consequences of adult onset trauma.

Her most recent book, *Wounded by Reality: Understanding and Treating Adult Onset Trauma*, was published by The Analytic Press in 2007. An article, *Witness to reality: Working psychodynamically with survivors of terror*, appears this month in a special edition of *Psychoanalytic Dialogues* devoted entirely to the question of the APA and its position on interrogations.

Biographies



Sharon Brennan, Ph.D.

Sharon Brennan is a clinical psychologist and psychoanalyst, and the New York State Psychological Association's (NYSPA's) Representative to the American Psychological Association (APA) Council of Representatives. Brennan was NYSPA President in 2004, and is a former President of two NYSPAs divisions-the Clinical Division and the Women's Issues Division. She founded and Chairs NYSPA's Media Ambassador Program, and has been a valued member of many NYSPA committees, including the Psychologically Healthy Workplace Awards Program, Executive, Crisis in Private Practice, Insurance, and Legislative Committees. As a Member of the APA Interdivisional (39 & 42) Task Force on Health Care Reform, Sharon Brennan helped to pass the APA's first health care reform policy. She has a doctoral degree in clinical psychology from New York University, and postdoctoral degrees from the New York University Postdoctoral Program in Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis and from Adelphi University's Postdoctoral Program in Child/Adolescent Psychotherapy. Sharon Brennan is a senior psychologist at Maimonides Medical Center, is an Adjunct Supervisor in the doctoral psychology program at Yeshiva University, and has a private practice in Manhattan.



Mark Costanzo, Ph.D.

Mark Costanzo is Professor of Psychology and co-director of the Center for Applied Psychological Research at Claremont McKenna College. He has published research on a variety of law-related topics including police interrogation, false confessions, jury decision-making, sexual harassment, attorney argumentation, alternative dispute resolution, and the death penalty. He is author of *Psychology Applied to Law* (Wadsworth, 2004), and *Just Revenge: Costs and Consequences of the Death Penalty* (St. Martin's Press, 1997); and is co-editor (with Dan Krauss & Kathy Pezdek) of *Expert Psychological Testimony for the Courts* (Erlbaum, 2007).

Professor Costanzo has served as a consultant or expert witness for more than 40 criminal cases involving coerced and potentially false confessions. In 2008, he was the winner of the Outstanding Teacher and Mentoring Award from the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI).

Biographies



Martha Davis, Ph.D.

Martha Davis has studied diverse aspects of nonverbal communication for over 40 years. She earned her doctorate from Yeshiva University in clinical psychology, trained at the Ackerman Institute of Family Therapy, and is now retired from private practice. Her graduate teaching appointments have included New York University, Columbia Teachers College, Hunter College, and Hahnemann University in Philadelphia. She is currently Visiting Scholar at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City where she conducted a ten-year study of behavioral cues to stress and deception in videotaped criminal confessions. Her experience in deception detection research and discussions with investigators both in law enforcement and intelligence inform her documentary on the APA interrogation policy that will be premiered at the conference. This experience also contributes to her work on the steering committee of withholdAPAdues.com.

Davis has published numerous articles and books on nonverbal communication research. Davis's publications include: Nonverbal behavior research and psychotherapy (From *Research to Clinical Practice*, 1985), Nonverbal behavior and client state changes during psychotherapy (*Journal of Clinical Psychology*, 1990), Nonverbal aspects of therapist attunement (*Journal of Clinical Psychology*, 1994), Demeanor and credibility (*Semiotica*, 1995), and Behavioral cues to deception vs. topic incriminating potential in criminal confessions (*Law and Human Behavior*, 2005).



David DeBatto

David DeBatto is a retired U.S. Army Counterintelligence Special Agent, veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom, author and news analyst. He is co-author of the four-part, *CI* series published by Warner Books, author of the upcoming non-fiction, *Counter to Intelligence* from Praeger Security International, as well as several magazine articles in such publications as: *Vanity Fair*, *Salon* and the *American Prospect*. DeBatto has appeared on all the major TV cable news and radio networks as a guest analyst and expert discussing the War on Terror, Iraq, the U.S. Military and Intelligence agencies. David was formerly co-host of the nationally syndicated radio talk show "AMERICA AT NIGHT".

Biographies



Mark P. Denbeaux, J.D.

Mark Denbeaux received his B.A. from the College of Wooster and J.D. from New York University. He is a professor of Law at Seton Hall University School of Law. Prior to teaching, he was senior attorney in charge of litigation from Community Action for Legal Service of New York City. He served four years in Legal Services in NYC and has tried a wide variety of civil and criminal cases. Denbeaux has counseled detainees at the Guantanamo Naval Base and has traveled to Guantanamo and compiled the most comprehensive database to date showing the charges against the alleged enemy combatants still held in U.S. custody. He has been an elected member of the American Law Institute since 1980 and holds membership for the Bar New York and New Jersey, both State and Federal, as well as New Jersey Bar Association, and the American Bar Association.

Denbeaux co-authored *New Jersey Evidentiary Foundation: New Jersey and Federal Rules of Evidence* (1995), and *Trail Evidence, Cases and Materials* (1978). He has also published numerous articles on evidence, constitutional law, civil procedure, and remedies.



Katherine Eban

Katherine Eban is an investigative reporter focusing on public health and homeland security issues. She is a contributing editor to Portfolio Magazine, and has worked for the New York Times, the New York Observer, and ABC News. Ms. Eban's articles have appeared in the Nation, the New Republic, Vanity Fair, the New Yorker, Self, and Vogue. Her work has been featured on 60 Minutes, 20/20 and other national news programs. She was a 2006 Alicia Patterson fellow and Rhodes Scholar.

Ms. Eban's first book was *Dangerous Doses: A True Story of Cops, Counterfeiters and the Contamination of America's Drug Supply* (Harcourt, 2005), which has won awards from the American Society of Journalists and Authors and the National Association of Health Care Journalists. Her recent publications include *Rorschach and Awe* on VanityFair.com (2007).

Biographies



Michael Flynn, Ph.D.

Michael Flynn is an Associate Professor of Psychology at York College and Associate Director of the Center on Terrorism at John Jay College. He received a B.A. from the College of Idaho and his M.A. and Ph.D from Duquesne University. Flynn's research interests include the psychological and political economy of urban violence; the psychological effects of living in a nuclearized world; literary, autobiographical, and psychohistorical approaches to the self and trauma; and the public and media role of the psychologist. He has been an invited lecturer and keynote addressor regarding issues of youth violence and weapons of mass destruction and has appeared on CBS, ABC, CNN, BBC, and New York and Pittsburgh area television and radio news programs addressing issues of child abuse, urban violence, terrorism, and right-wing violence.

Flynn is the co-editor (with Charles B. Strozier) of *Genocide, War and Human Survival, Trauma and Self, and The Year 2000: Essays on the End*. He is the editor of *The Second Nuclear Age: Political and Psychocultural Perspectives*. His most recent publications include; *Cause Fighin' is Fighin': Caucasian Youth, Violence, and Social Exclusion*, (In a *Globalizing the Streets: Cross Cultural Perspectives on Youth Social Control and Empowerment*-Columbia University Press, 2008), *The Second Nuclear Age-Dilemmas and Possibilities and After Numbering and Paranoia: Toward a Psychology of the Second Nuclear Age* (Forthcoming, In M. Flynn (ed.), and *The Second Nuclear Age: Political and Psychocultural Perspectives*.



Michael G. Gelles, Psy.D.

Michael Gelles received his B.A. from the University of Delaware and his M.A. and Psy.D in psychology from Yeshiva University. He completed his clinical and forensic training at the National Naval Medical School and his advanced training at the Washington School of Psychiatry. Currently, Gelles is in private practice and a consultant in Washington, DC. Previously, he was chief psychologist for the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) for more than 16 years. Gelles was the lead psychologist for the behavioral consultation team for the Criminal Investigations Task Force, and a member of numerous other task forces in the area of workplace violence, insider threat and ethics in consultation to national security. He is an active member in numerous professional organizations, including the American Psychological Association, Division of Police Psychology, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Psychology Services Section, the Society of Police and Criminal Psychology, and the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals.

Gelles is a frequent lecturer and has published numerous professional papers on topics related to organizational management in operational settings, forensic psychology, law enforcement, terrorism and counter-intelligence.

Biographies



Lesley Gill, Ph.D.

Lesley Gill is an author and professor of anthropology at Vanderbilt University. She received her Ph.D from Columbia University. Her research focuses on political violence, human rights, global economic restructuring, the state, and transformations in class, gender, and ethics relations. Gill has conducted research in Bolivia, Colombia, and the United States. She also writes about the military training that takes place at the School of the Americas.

Lesley Gill's published works include: *Precarious Dependencies: Gender, Class and Domestic Service* (Columbia University Press, 1994), *Teetering on the Rim: Global Restructuring, Daily Life and the Armed Retreat of the Bolivian State* (Columbia University Press, 2000), and *The School of the Americas: Military Training and Political Violence* (Duke University Press, 2004).



Marianne Jackson, Ph.D.

Marianne Jackson is a clinical psychologist with a private practice in Brooklyn. She received her Ph.D from Yeshiva University, with postdoctoral training at the Postgraduate Center for Mental Health. She was a psychologist at Manhattan Psychiatric Center and has written articles on the treatment of the seriously mentally ill. She is former president of the New York State Psychological Association and is currently involved in NYSPA's Health Care Committee, Division of Women's Issues and Social Issues.

Biographies



Matthew B. Johnson, Ph.D.

Matthew B. Johnson is an Associate Professor of Psychology at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. Professor Johnson developed a course titled “Interrogation and Confession: social science, legal perspectives, and current controversies” that is offered to masters students in psychology and criminal justice. Professor Johnson mentors doctoral students in Forensic Psychology and Criminal Justice through his appointment on the Doctoral Faculty at the CUNY Graduate Center. Professor Johnson is a member of the Executive Committee of New Jerseyans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty who led the successful campaign for the abolishment of the New Jersey death penalty in 2007.

Johnson has published widely on interrogation and confession as well as other areas in psychology and law. His published work and expert testimony have been cited favorably in several New Jersey Supreme and Appellate Court decisions. His publications have appeared in the *Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice*, *Journal of Black Psychology*, *Journal of Psychiatry and Law*, *NYU Review of Law and Social Change*, *American Journal of Forensic Psychology*, *Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice*, and other journals. Professor Johnson was named the John Jay College Outstanding Teacher of the Year in 2007.



Allen Keller, M.D.

Allen Keller is Associate Professor of Medicine, NYU School of Medicine. He serves as Society Master for the May Chinn Society for Bioethics and Human Rights and as Director of the NYU School of Medicine Center for Health and Human Rights. He is the founder and Director of the Bellevue/NYU Program for Survivors of Torture. He is recognized internationally as an expert in the documentation, evaluation and treatment of torture victims and has spoken and written about a number of issues related to health and human rights. He is presently on the Advisory Council of Physicians for Human Rights (PHR). Keller has received the Barbara Chester Award from the Hopi Foundation in recognition for his work with torture survivors as well as the Arthur C. Helton Humans Rights Award from the American Immigration Lawyers Association.

Keller’s most recent publications include, *Torture in Abu Ghraib (Perspectives in Biology and Medicine, 2006)*, *The subjective experience of trauma and subsequent PTSD in a sample of undocumented immigrants (Journal of nervous & mental disease, 2007)*, and *Classifying the Torture Experiences of Refugees Living in the United State (Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 2007)*.

Biographies



Tony Lagouranis

Tony Lagouranis received his B.A. from St. John's University. Mr. Lagouranis was a U.S. Army interrogator from 2001 to 2005 and served a tour of duty in Iraq from January 2004 to January 2005. He was first stationed at Abu Ghraib; in the spring he joined a special intelligence gathering task force that moved among detention facilities around the country.

Lagouranis recently published the book *Fear up harsh: An army interrogator's dark journey through Iraq* (Penguin Group, 2007). Lagouranis is the first Army interrogator to step forward and publicly denounce these tactics and reveal what went on in Iraqi prisons, and raising crucial questions about American conduct abroad.



Bernice Lott, Ph.D.

Bernice Lott is a Professor at University of Rhode Island. Her research interests include interpersonal discrimination, multicultural issues, gender issues, social learning, feminist psychology, poverty, and social class. Her work in these areas was recently honored at the 2005 National Multicultural Conference & Summit, and she is currently a member of the APA Council of Representatives (for Division 9, the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues).

Lott has written numerous books and articles regarding psychological and social issues. Some of her publications include, *Psychology and economic injustice: Personal, professional, and political intersections* (2006), *The social psychology of interpersonal discrimination* (1995), *The personal and social correlates of a gender difference ideology* (1996), and *Carry the banner where it can be seen: Small wins for social justice* (2006).

Biographies



Alfred W. McCoy, Ph.D.

Alfred W. McCoy is the J.R.W. Smail Professor of History at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. After earning his Ph.D. in Southeast Asian history at Yale in 1977, his writing on this region has focused on two topics--the political history of the modern Philippines and the politics of opium in the Golden Triangle.

His first book, *The Politics of Heroin in Southeast Asia* (New York, 1972), originally sparked controversy when the CIA tried to block its publication, but is now regarded as the standard work on the subject of illicit narcotics. It has been in print for over 30 years, and been translated into nine languages, most recently Thai and German. His history of the Philippine officer corps, *Closer Than Brothers* (New Haven, 1999) examines the impact of the CIA's torture training upon the Philippine armed forces. Most recently, *A Question of Torture: CIA Interrogation, From the Cold War to the War on Terror* (New York, 2006), which is also available in German, continues his exploration of the covert netherworld and its influence upon U.S. foreign policy.

His forthcoming book on Philippine police during the 20th Century will draw together the main two strands in his research, the covert netherworld and modern Philippine history, to explore the transformative power of police, information, and scandal in the shaping of both the Philippine Republic the US national security state.



Brad Olson, Ph.D.

Brad Olson is a community, social, and personality psychologist at the Foley Center for the Study of Lives at Northwestern University. His areas of research include public policy, community action, human rights, and substance abuse. He is a co-founder of the Coalition for an Ethical Psychology, past-chair of the Divisions for Social Justice (DSJ) within the American Psychological Association, and is on the steering committee of WithholdAPAdues. Dr. Olson is an evaluation consultant and co-author of the book, *Rescued Lives: The Oxford House Approach to Substance Abuse* (Haworth Press, 2008).

Biographies



Susan Opotow, Ph.D.

Susan Opotow is a Professor in the Sociology Department of John Jay College of Criminal Justice, the Doctoral Program in Criminal Justice at John Jay College and the Graduate Center, and the Ph.D Program in Social-Personality Psychology at the Graduate Center, all part of the City University of New York. Her work examines the intersection of conflict and justice as they give rise to moral exclusion—seeing others as outside the scope of justice and therefore as eligible targets of discrimination, exploitation, hate, and violence. She studies moral exclusion in everyday contexts such as schooling, environmental and public policy conflict and in more violent contexts such as deadly wards characterized by impunity, as well as the process of moral inclusion in the post-war period.

She is president of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (2008-2009) and associate editor of *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology*. Opotow has guest edited special issues of *The Journal of Social Issues* and *Social Justice Research*, co-edited a book, *Identity and the Natural Environment: The Psychological Significance of Nature* (MIT Press, 2003), and has published widely on moral exclusion and injustice.



Steven Reisner, Ph.D.

Steven Reisner is a psychoanalyst and couple's therapist in private practice in New York City. He is on the faculty of the Program in Clinical Psychology, Columbia University, Teachers College, the New York University Medical School, and the NYU Psychoanalytic Institute. Reisner is an international consultant on trauma and its treatment and has facilitated training in the treatment of post-war or natural-disaster trauma with groups in Kosovo, the Kurdish region of Iraq. In addition he is a consultant to the staff of stress counselors at the United Nations. In an earlier career, Reisner was an Obie-award winning director and actor, whose projects have been performed at the Public Theater, LA Mama E.T.C., and Theater for New City in New York. His theater work continues as director of *Theater Arts Against Political Violence* (http://itspnyc.org/theater_arts_against_polit.htm), which has helped create works of theater with Tibetan, Chilean and Kosovar survivors of torture and exile in New York and in Kosovo. He has consulted in the role of the arts in post-trauma societies with groups in Peru and Sierra Leone.

Reisner has been actively working to change APA policy permitting psychologists' participation in coercive of abusive interrogation processes at places like Abu Ghraib, CIA 'black sites' and Guantanamo Bay. He is a candidate for APA President (www.reisnerforpresident.org).

Biographies



Leonard S. Rubenstein, J.D.

Leonard Rubenstein is President of Physicians for Human Rights, an organization that mobilizes the health professions to advance human rights. Prior to coming to PHR, he directed the Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law, which advocates for rights and services for people with mental disabilities. A graduate of Harvard Law School and Wesleyan University, Mr. Rubenstein has spent thirty years engaged in investigation of human rights and health domestically and internationally and in recent years has overseen multiple human rights reports and analyses on the use of torture by the United States. He also has studied questions related to medical ethics and human rights and was project leader for an international working group on the problem of dual loyalty and human rights in health professional practice, which produced the report *Dual Loyalty and Human Rights in Health Professional Practice: Proposed Guidelines and Institutional Mechanisms*. He has written extensively both for scholarly publications and in major media such as the New York Times, Washington Post, and Boston Globe.

Mr. Rubenstein is a member of the Council of Foreign Relations and the Committee on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He serves on the Board of Directors of the International Federation of Health and Human Rights Organizations and the Governing Council of the American Public Health Association. He has served as an adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law School and lectures regularly at Harvard Medical School. He is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Congressional Minority Caucuses' Healthcare Hero Award; the United Nations Association of the National Capital Area's Louis B. Sohn Award; the Physicians Forum Edward K. Barsky Award; the National Mental Health Association's Mission Award; and the Political Asylum Representation Project's Outstanding Achievement Award.

Biographies



Hawthorne E. Smith, Ph.D.

Dr. Smith is Director of Clinical Services for the Bellevue/NYU Program for Survivors of Torture. He is a licensed psychologist who received his doctorate in Counseling Psychology (with distinction) from Teachers College; Columbia University. Dr. Smith had previously earned a B.S.F.S. from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, an advanced certificate in African studies from Cheikh Anta Diop University in Dakar, Senegal, and a Masters in International Affairs from the Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs.

Dr. Smith provides therapeutic services for individuals, groups and families who are survivors of torture and refugee trauma from throughout the world (with a particular focus on clients from Africa). He is one of the founding members of Nah We Yone, Inc., a non-profit organization working primarily with refugees from Sierra Leone and other African countries. Dr. Smith is also a professional musician (saxophonist and vocalist) with international experience.

Dr. Smith has won several awards for his clinical work, such as: A 2007 “Man of Distinction Award” from the National Association of Health Service Executives; The “2006 Hero Award” from the Robin Hood Foundation; The “Distinguished Alumni – Early Career Award” from Teachers College; Columbia University; The “Union Square Award” for Community Activism; and the “Frantz Fanon, M.D. Award” from the Post-Graduate Center for Mental Health.



Itai Sneh, Ph.D.

Itai Sneh is an Assistant Professor in the Department of History at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He completed his doctoral studies at Columbia University. He holds a law degree and a master's degree in Eastern European Jewish History from McGill University and a B.A. in Jewish History (with minors in International Relations, Biblical Studies and Yiddish Language and Culture) from Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Israel. Sneh's research interests and publications include articles on human rights, U.S. politics, American foreign policy, terrorism, the Vietnam War, and the Middle East.

Sneh's forthcoming book with Peter Lang Publishers is, *The Future Almost Arrived: Why Jimmy Carter Could Not Change U.S. Foreign Policy*. Sneh's, *Torture Through the Ages*, is under contract with the Praeger division of Greenwood Press.

Biographies



Charles B. Strozier, Ph.D.

Charles Strozier has a Harvard B.A., a Ph.D from the University of Chicago, and was a research candidate at the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis in the 1970s. He is a Professor of History and Director, Center on Terrorism, John Jay College and the Graduate Center, The City University of New York. He finished his clinical training in New York, and is both a practicing psychoanalyst and a Training and Research Analyst at The Training and Research Institute in Self Psychology (TRISP).

Strozier is the author of *Apocalypse: On the Psychology of Fundamentalism in America* (1994, new edition 2002) and has edited, with Michael Flynn, *Trauma and Self* (1996), *Genocide, War, and Human Survival* (1996), and *The Year 2000* (1997). He also wrote a prize-winning psychological study of Abraham Lincoln (*Lincoln's Quest for Union: A Psychological Portrait*, 1982, revised edition in paper 2001). He was the founding editor for 14 years of *The Psychohistory Review* and has written scores of essays and other pieces on aspects of history, religion, terrorism, and psychoanalysis. His most recent book, *Heinz Kohut: The Making of a Psychoanalysis*, the Goethe Prize from the Canadian Psychoanalytic Association, and was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. Strozier is currently writing *New York City and 9/11: A Psychological Study of the World Trade Center Disaster* and co-editing *The Fundamentalist Mindset* (for Oxford University Press).



Frank Summers, Ph.D., ABPP

Frank Summers received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Chicago and completed his psychoanalytic training at the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis. He is currently a Training and Supervising Analyst at the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis, Associate Professor of Clinical Psychiatry and the Behavioral Sciences at Northwestern Medical School, and a faculty member of several other psychoanalytic institutes. A member of the editorial board of *Psychoanalytic Psychology*, Summers has won numerous teaching awards, including the Distinguished Educator Award of the International Federation of Psychoanalytic Education and the Hans Strupp Award for contributions to psychoanalysis.

He has authored three books, a best-selling textbook, *Object Relations Theories and Psychopathology: A Comprehensive Text*, and two clinical monographs, *Transcending the Self: An Object Relations Model of Psychoanalytic Therapy* and *Self Creation: Psychoanalytic Therapy and the Art of the Possible*, as well as numerous journal articles. Recent publications include a paper on the APA and psychologists' involvement in detention centers, and a forthcoming article on the historical relationship between psychology and the military. He is currently, president of Psychoanalysts for Social Responsibility and a member of the steering committee of Witholdapadues.com. Summers maintains a private practice in Chicago, Illinois.

ATTENTION!

THIS CONFERENCE IS BEING RECORDED BY THE CENTER ON TERRORISM AND PARTS OF IT MAY BE BROADCAST OR MADE AVAILABLE ON DVD. YOUR ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION WILL BE TAKEN AS CONSENT TO BEING PHOTOGRAPHED AND/OR RECORDED.

THANK YOU.

If you would like to obtain a copy of today's proceedings, please email terrorism@jjay.cuny.edu or mail your request to

CENTER ON TERRORISM

John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

555 West 57th Street ~ Suite 604, New York, NY 10019