

Allegheny County Bar Association

*Raising the Bar on Legal and Community Service*



**Friday,  
September 17, 2010**

ACBA Conference  
Center Auditorium  
City-County Building  
414 Grant Street, Suite 920  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Registration: 12:30 p.m.

Program: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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The Allegheny County Bar Association's  
Juvenile Law Committee presents...

# Trauma in the Court:

*Recognizing & Overcoming  
Compassion Fatigue*

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# About the Program

Compassion fatigue is an occupational hazard for professionals who are exposed to trauma, violence and personal injury. How can judges, lawyers, social workers and others working in the Family Division balance the need to be engaged with their work with the need to maintain professional distance?

The ACBA Juvenile Law Committee is pleased to host Dr. Joanne Dixon for a presentation on compassion fatigue and vicarious trauma. Dr. Dixon will discuss the findings of a national survey on the compassion fatigue experienced by judges, as well as the findings of a local survey of Family Division judges and practitioners, and identify proven coping and prevention techniques.

As the Director of Clinical Services for Pace School, Dr. Dixon provides the leadership for the design, development and delivery of therapeutic services offered within the Partial Hospitalization Program and Enhanced School-Based Program. She holds a Masters Degree in Clinical Psychology from West Virginia University and a PhD in Educational Psychology from the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Dixon is a licensed psychologist who has worked with children and adolescents for over 25 years. As a direct care therapist, she has provided individual and group counseling, family therapy, and social skills training in both in-patient and outpatient settings to abused and neglected children. She is well versed in treating children with issues including Attention Deficit Disorders, depression, and learning and behavioral problems. Dr. Dixon has directed programs for Alternative Program Associates and Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic.

## SPEAKER:

**Dr. Joanne Dixon**  
*Director of Clinical Services,  
Pace School*

## MODERATOR:

**Sharon Biasca, Esq.**  
*Deputy Administrator,  
Allegheny County Children's Court*

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### TRAUMA IN THE COURT: RECOGNIZING & OVERCOMING COMPASSION FATIGUE

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