Georgia Chapter
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Inaugural Seminar & Chapter Meeting
Beyond Silos: Advanced Interdisciplinary Approaches for Families in Transition
Atlanta, Georgia, State Bar Headquarters
October 23, 2026 | 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

8:00 AM to 8:45 AM	Breakfast & Registration	
8:45 AM to 9:00 AM	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO AFCC	Daniel A. Bloom, Esq. Dawn Smith, Esq.
9:00 AM to 10:15 AM	SUBSTANCE MISUSE, PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING, AND DIAGNOSIS IN CHILD CUSTODY CASES: WHAT IS PREJUDICIAL AND WHAT IS PROBATIVE?	Christy Bradshaw Schmidt, MA, LPC Howard Drutman, Ph.D.
10:15 AM to 11:45 AM	ALIGNING PROFESSIONALS: THEORIES, VOICES, AND ROLES IN PARENT-CHILD CONTACT CASES	April Harris Britt, Ph.D.
11:45 AM to 12:30 PM	BREAK, LUNCH, AFCC BUSINESS MEETING	
12:30 PM to 1:15 PM	AFCC PRACTICE GUIDELINES AND RESOURCES: WHAT'S AVAILABLE AND HOW TO USE THEM.	Amy Holsten, Ph.D. Daniel Bloom, JD
1:15 PM to 2:45 PM	WHAT DOES THE RESEARCH ACTUALLY SAY ABOUT SHARED PARENTING? - A PANEL DISCUSSION	All Speakers
2:45 PM to 3:00 PM	BREAK	
3:00 PM to 4:15 PM	WHEN ABUSE ALLEGATIONS ARISE IN CUSTODY CASES	Lawrence Jay Braunstein, JD Dawn R. Smith, JD
4:15 PM	WRAP UP & CLOSE	Daniel A. Bloom, Esq. Dawn Smith, Esq.
4:15 PM – 5:30 PM	**SOCIAL/RECEPTION**	

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