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Areas of
Expertise:

- Malpractice & informed consent
- Criminal justice & diminished capacity
- Capital crimes & death penalty
- Employment: disability (ADA), worker's compensation, discrimination & harassment
- Malingering, misattribution, & medical mimics
- Emotional & physical damages: conscious pain & suffering, PTSD
- Neuropsychiatry, brain injury, & pain management
- Suicide assessment and prevention
- Substance Abuse and addiction
- Psychopharmacology
- Product liability & toxic tort: individual & class actions
- Family issues: divorce & custody, testamentary capacity, undue influence
- Fitness for professional duty including teaching, clinical, and legal
- Professional ethics and boundary maintenance
- Forensic psychiatric autopsy
- *Daubert*-informed evaluations of opposing experts' methodology

Firm/Expert

Harold J. Bursztajn, M.D., Harvard Medical School Co-Founder of the Program in Psychiatry and the Law and Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, is active in patient care, teaching, and research. He is President of the American Unit of the UNESCO Bioethics Chair. Recognized by his colleagues as a doctor's doctor and a doctor's teacher, his numerous honors include the prestigious Harvard Medical School Award for Excellence in Mentoring. His range of special interests includes informed medical decision making, neuropsychiatric impairments, pain management, malpractice prevention, and medical product liability. He consults to plaintiff and defense counsel, insurance companies, and state and federal agencies as an expert in general and forensic psychiatry, informed consent, and professional ethics. He also has nationwide experience as a distinguished expert qualified to testify in state and federal courts.

Education/
Training:

Dr. Bursztajn is an honors graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Medical School.

Presentations/
Publications:

In addition to his clinical practice involving patient care, he has published numerous articles and chapters in standard texts in medicine, medical decision making, clinical ethics, psychiatry, neuropsychiatry, and forensic psychiatry.

He has also authored a number of books, including:

- "Divided Staffs, Divided Selves: A Case Approach to Mental Health Ethics"
- "Medical Choices, Medical Chances: How Patients, Families and Physicians Can Cope with Uncertainty"
- "Decision Making in Psychiatry and the Law"
- "Psychiatric Ethics" for UNESCO Chair in Bioethics

Comments:

A complete *curriculum vitae* and local and national references are available by request or can be accessed at www.forensic-psych.com. All inquiries are confidential.