

## Online Supplements

Online Supplement 1					
<i>Descriptive Statistics for Continuous Independent Variables</i>					
	N	Min.	Max.	Mean	Std. Dev.
False IPV allegations by mother	459	-1.15	3.85	.48	1.00
Parental alienation by mother	456	1.00	9.50	4.30	1.85
Belief in false allegations by father of IPV & child abuse	427	1.50	20.00	6.90	4.13
Victim hurts child when resists/reluctant to coparent	448	2.00	14.00	7.26	3.16
IPV not important in custody	449	2.00	13.00	5.88	2.57
Social dominance orientation	449	1.00	6.00	2.45	1.02
Modern Sexism Scale	450	1.00	6.20	2.85	.90
Belief in Just World	451	1.00	6.25	3.34	1.02
Years experience conducting custody evaluations	459	1.00	7.00	3.47	1.83
Approximate no. evaluations completed in career	456	1.00	6.00	3.41	1.43
Approximate no. evaluations completed in the past yr.	458	1.00	6.00	2.90	1.15
Books	450	1.00	5.00	3.55	1.26
Radio programs	413	1.00	5.00	1.82	1.07
Films or videos	427	1.00	5.00	2.63	1.20
Workshops	454	1.00	5.00	3.64	1.10
continued					

Online Supplement 1 (continued):

*Descriptive Statistics for Continuous Dependent Variables*

	N	Min.	Max.	Mean	Std. Dev.
Articles	450	2.00	6.00	3.88	1.34
Lectures	450	1.00	6.00	3.26	1.24
Professional consultations	445	1.00	6.00	3.25	1.41
Web sites read	433	1.00	6.00	2.86	1.38
History of sole or joint custody to perpetrator	436	-22.00	105.00	19.57	19.77
History of no supervised visits recommended for perpetrator	435	-300.00	300.00	-91.08	176.63
Vignette: sole or joint custody to perpetrator	367	-91	219	34.86	60.45
Vignette: no supervised visits for perpetrator	373	-97	58	-10.21	37.80
Note: Most scores are weighted, composite scores derived from scales of 5-7 items each.					

## Online Supplement 2

*Table 1 Supplement: Custody Beliefs and Recommendations Related to Areas of DV Knowledge Acquired: Means, Standard Deviations (SD), and %*

		Prevalence of IPV		Causes of IPV		Types of perpetrators		Post-separation violence		Screening for IPV		Assessing danger in IPV cases		Children's exposure to IPV	
		No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
DV <i>not</i> important in custody	Mean	6.7	5.7	5.6	5.9	6.2	5.8	6.5	5.7	6.4	5.8	6.0	5.8	6.0	5.8
	SD	2.3	2.6	1.9	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.2	2.6
False IPV allegations by mother: fact. score	Mean	.5	.5	.3	.5	.7	.4	.5	.5	.7	.4	.5	.5	.7	.5
	SD	.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0	.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	.9	1.0	.9	1.0
Parental alienation by mother	Mean	4.5	4.3	4.2	4.3	5.1	4.2	4.7	4.2	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.2	5.0	4.3
	SD	2.1	1.8	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.1	1.8
Victim hurts child when resists co-parenting	Mean	7.5	7.2	6.9	7.3	8.1	7.1	8.1	7.1	7.8	7.2	7.6	7.1	8.1	7.2
	SD	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.2	2.7	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.2
Belief in false allegations by father	Mean	7.2	6.9	7.1	6.9	7.1	6.9	7.0	6.9	7.2	6.9	7.0	6.9	8.1	6.9
	SD	4.2	4.1	4.8	4.1	4.4	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.9	4.1
Sole/joint custody to offender	Mean	23.2	18.9	19.1	19.4	19.0	19.5	23.2	18.7	21.6	19.0	22.9	18.5	17.2	19.5
	SD	18.6	19.7	19.3	19.6	19.6	19.6	22.2	19.0	18.0	19.8	21.5	18.9	20.2	19.6
Unsupervised visitation recommended	Mean	-96.5	-89.2	-94.9	-89.7	-104.4	-88.3	-100.4	-88.4	-117.5	-85.5	-111.2	-84.8	-180.8	-86.4
	SD	177.7	177.1	181.7	176.8	169.0	178.1	169.8	178.3	171.2	177.8	169.6	178.6	112.7	178.2

Supplement 2 Continued

		Prevalence of IPV		Causes of IPV		Types of perpetrators		Post-separation violence		Screening for IPV		Assessing danger in IPV cases		Children's exposure to IPV	
		No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Vignette: sole/joint custody to offender	Mean	45.3	33.1	30.3	35.0	45.0	33.1	49.9	31.7	63.2	29.5	44.5	31.8	31.1	34.8
	SD	50.6	61.7	52.2	61.3	61.4	60.4	58.0	60.7	60.5	59.2	63.7	59.4	62.7	60.5
Vignette: no supervised visits	Mean	-3.2	-11.1	-13.3	-9.8	-6.5	-10.6	-13.2	-9.5	-6.2	-10.7	-10.7	-9.9	-18.1	-9.7
	SD	34.8	38.3	32.0	38.4	29.4	39.0	36.3	38.2	37.4	38.0	34.9	38.7	41.6	37.8
Coercive-controlling behavior	%	21%	24%	17%	24%	23%	24%	25%	23%	14%	25%	22%	24%	10%	24%
Mental problems from IPV	%	5%	18%	8%	17%	10%	17%	9%	17%	15%	16%	12%	17%	10%	16%

# Survey for Child Custody Evaluators Regarding Family Violence, February 5, 2010

## Online Supplement 3: Survey Measures



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**AIM IS TO IMPROVE KNOWLEDGE AND TRAINING.** We expect the findings of this survey to add to our knowledge of custody evaluations and to improve trainings for evaluators.

**ANONYMITY & CONSENT.** This survey is anonymous and your participation is voluntary. Your completion of the survey will be an indication that you consented to participate.

**ELIGIBILITY.** By "child custody evaluation" we mean an assessment of individual and family factors that will inform the court of the best psychological interests of the child when parents cannot agree on custody. If you have never conducted an evaluator, please do not complete the survey.

**TIME IT WILL TAKE.** This survey takes approximately 20 minutes to complete. Once you begin completing it, you may skip any question.

**PRIVACY PROTECTION.** We suggest you complete the survey in private. Although we have designed this study to keep your responses anonymous, there is a slight chance that your responses could be seen by someone near you as you type in your answers. Because of the controversial nature of some of the questions, we cannot rule out the possibility that you could experience some professional embarrassment if this happened.

**QUESTIONS.** If you have questions about the survey, please contact Dr. Daniel Saunders at [saunddan@umich.edu](mailto:saunddan@umich.edu) or at 1-734-763-6415. If you have questions regarding your rights as a research participant, please contact the Institutional Review Board at 1-734-936-0933 or by email at [irbhsbs@umich.edu](mailto:irbhsbs@umich.edu).

### Background

1)  
How many years of experience do you have conducting custody evaluations?

☐ 0 - 5 ☐ 6 - 10 ☐ 11 - 15 ☐ 16 - 20 ☐ 21 - 25 ☐ 26 - 30 ☐ Over 30 years

2)  
Approximately how many custody evaluations have you completed altogether in your career?

☐ 1 - 25 ☐ 26 - 50 ☐ 51 - 100 ☐ 101 - 500 ☐ 501 - 1000 ☐ Over 1000

3)  
Approximately how many custody evaluations have you completed in the past year?

☐ 0 ☐ 1 - 5 ☐ 6 - 20 ☐ 21 - 50 ☐ 51 - 100 ☐ Over 100

4)  
In what settings do you conduct evaluations? (please check all that apply)

☐ Private Practice ☐ Court ☐ Public Mental Health Clinic ☐ Psychiatric Hospital ☐ Other (Please specify)

Other:

5)  
What is the state in which you practice the most? If you practice in the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, or a tribal court, please write that next to "Other."

--Select--

- AL  
- AK  
- AZ  
- AR  
- CA  
- CO  
- CT  
- DE  
- FL  
- GA  
- HI  
- ID  
- IL  
- IN  
- IA  
- KS  
- KY

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- NY
- NC
- ND
- OH
- OK
- OR
- PA
- RI
- SC
- SD
- TN
- TX
- UT
- VT
- VA
- WA
- WV
- WI
- WY
- Other (please specify)

Other:

Experience with Domestic Violence Cases

The following questions use the term “domestic violence.” We realize there are different definitions and types of domestic violence. For the purpose of this study, we define domestic violence as any physical force against one intimate partner by another that is not in self-defense (including smashing, throwing, & hitting objects). If it is too difficult for you to give an estimate, mark "Can't estimate", or simply skip the question.

6) Please estimate the percentage of your child custody cases that involved allegations of domestic violence.

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

7) In what percentage of these alleged domestic violence cases do you estimate that the father falsely alleges the mother perpetrated domestic violence?

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

8) In what percentage of these alleged domestic violence cases do you estimate that the mother falsely alleges the father perpetrated domestic violence?

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

9) In approximately what percentage of alleged domestic violence cases do you estimate that only the father used domestic violence (not in self-defense)?

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

10) In approximately what percentage of alleged domestic violence cases do you estimate that only the mother used domestic violence (not in self-defense)?

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

11) In approximately what percentage of alleged domestic violence cases do you estimate that both parents used domestic violence (not in self-defense)?

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

12) Please estimate the percentage of your cases involving alleged domestic violence in which you supported the allegation of domestic violence.

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

13) For cases in which you have supported the allegation of domestic violence, how much did this typically impact your evaluation or recommendations?

☐ None ☐ A little ☐ Some ☐ Much ☐ Greatly ☐ Extremely ☐ No Answer

For those cases in which one parent was clearly the perpetrator, please estimate the percentage of times that you recommended, or would have if in that position, the following custody arrangements:

	Never 0%	Seldom 1- 9%	Occasionally 10- 49%	Half of the time 50%	Most of the time 51-89%	Almost always 90-99%	Always 100%
14) SOLE LEGAL & PHYSICAL custody with VICTIM of domestic violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15) SOLE LEGAL & PHYSICAL custody with PERPETRATOR of domestic violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16) JOINT LEGAL custody & PRIMARY PHYSICAL custody with VICTIM	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17) JOINT LEGAL custody & PRIMARY PHYSICAL custody with PERPETRATOR	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18) SOLE LEGAL custody with VICTIM & JOINT PHYSICAL custody	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19) SOLE LEGAL custody with PERPETRATOR & JOINT PHYSICAL custody	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20) JOINT LEGAL & PHYSICAL custody	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

21) For those cases in which you recommended parenting time (visitation) for the perpetrator, please estimate the percentage of cases for which you proposed the following arrangements:

% No supervision of visits

% Visits supervised by a friend or relative

% Visits supervised by a professional or paraprofessional at a supervised visitation program

Total: 0 (must sum to 100)

In approximately what percentage of cases do you:

22) Directly inquire about the presence of domestic violence?

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

23) Use instruments or standard protocols to screen for domestic violence?

☐ 0% ☐ 5% ☐ 10% ☐ 15% ☐ 20% ☐ 25% ☐ 30% ☐ 35% ☐ 40% ☐ 45% ☐ 50% ☐ 55%  
☐ 60% ☐ 65% ☐ 70% ☐ 75% ☐ 80% ☐ 85% ☐ 90% ☐ 95% ☐ 100% ☐ Can't estimate

24) What instruments, if any, do you use to assess domestic violence?

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## Case Vignette

A couple has been married for eight years and separated for six months. Upon separation, the mother moved with their seven year old son to a nearby city and for a few weeks denied the father any contact with him, even phone calls. The father filed a motion for emergency temporary custody. In the interview with the evaluator, the father maintains that he wants a normal father-son relationship and believes that his wife is interfering with his right to be with his son. He says that he is better suited to care for his son and will ensure liberal and frequent contact with the mother.

The wife responds in her interview that she left the marital home when the husband was out of town for the weekend for fear that he would otherwise prevent her from leaving. She states that he has been controlling her every move throughout the relationship. She states that during her pregnancy he once punched her; that on another occasion he “body-slammed” her against his truck; and on a third occasion strangled her. He maintains that on these occasions he was drinking and out of control, the incidents were isolated, and not part of any larger pattern. He also claims his wife has exaggerated her reports of the incidents and that she never received any injuries.

The wife tells you that she never called the police or went to the hospital after any of the assaults. She says her husband never physically harmed their son, but due to

his controlling and abusive behavior she is fearful of him having physical custody of their son. She wants to maintain physical custody. Reports from the son's new school indicate that he is doing well.

The husband makes a good salary as an engineer. The wife has never worked more than part-time. His psychological tests do not show evidence of any major mental illness. Her tests show definite indications of anxiety, depression and paranoia.

If you were presented with this information as an evaluator, what initial hypotheses would you want to explore in this case? [Describe up to three]

25)  
Hypothesis #1

(1000 characters remaining)

26)  
Hypothesis #2

(1000 characters remaining)

27)  
Hypothesis #3

(1000 characters remaining)

What information included or **not** included in this vignette would potentially be the most important to use in conducting a custody evaluation in this case? (Please list up to three)

28)  
1.

29)  
2.

30)  
3.

You have now answered 33% of the questions.



Page Break

Despite being given a very limited amount of information in this case, please answer the following questions to the best of your ability.

31)  
What do you think is the likelihood of future psychological harm to the son by the mother?

0%

5%

10%

15%

20%

25%

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40%

45%

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65%

70%

75%

80%

85%

90%

95%

100%

No Answer

32)  
What do you think is the likelihood of future psychological harm to the son by the father?

0%

5%

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75%

80%

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95%

100%

No Answer

33)  
What do you think is the likelihood that the mother is exaggerating the extent of the violence?



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☐ 15%
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☐ 75%
☐ 80%
☐ 85%
☐ 90%
☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

34) What do you think is the likelihood that the father is minimizing the extent of the violence?

☐ 0%
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☐ 15%
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☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

35) What is the likelihood that the parties would benefit from mediation or another form of alternative dispute resolution?

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☐ 90%
☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

If each party asked for sole legal and physical custody, what is the likelihood that the best interests of the child would be served by:

36) Sole legal/physical custody to mother

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☐ 85%
☐ 90%
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☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

37) Sole legal/physical custody to father

☐ 0%
☐ 5%
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☐ 90%
☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

38) Joint legal custody, primary physical custody to mother

☐ 0%
☐ 5%
☐ 10%
☐ 15%
☐ 20%
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☐ 75%
☐ 80%
☐ 85%
☐ 90%
☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

39) Joint legal custody, primary physical custody to father

☐ 0%
☐ 5%
☐ 10%
☐ 15%
☐ 20%
☐ 25%
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☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

40) Joint legal and physical custody (shared parenting) in every area

☐ 0%
☐ 5%
☐ 10%
☐ 15%
☐ 20%
☐ 25%
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☐ 85%
☐ 90%
☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

Imagine that the mother was awarded custody, with visitation rights to the father. What is the likelihood that the best interests of the child and the safety of the family would best be served by:

41) No supervision of the visits

☐ 0%
☐ 5%
☐ 10%
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☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

42) Visits supervised by a friend or relative

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☐ 55%
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☐ 85%
☐ 90%
☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

43) Visits supervised by a professional or paraprofessional at a supervised visitation program

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☐ 90%
☐ 95%
☐ 100%
☐ No Answer

Opinions About Family Violence, Custody and Visitation

Below are some statements about family violence, custody and visitation (parenting time). Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each statement by clicking a button in the appropriate column. Again, by "domestic violence" we mean violence directed against one intimate partner by another that is not in self-defense. Please use a broad definition of domestic violence.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neither Disagree Nor Agree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	No Answer
When a mother claiming to be a victim of domestic violence								
44) tries to disrupt a child's relationship with the father, that is a good reason to award sole custody to the father.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Men have supervised visitation instead of unsupervised								

	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Slightly Disagree</b>	<b>Neither Disagree Nor Agree</b>	<b>Slightly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>No Answer</b>															
45) visitation because their ex-partners falsely accuse them of domestic violence.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
Victims of domestic violence are often reluctant to share parenting roles with ex-partners because they fear further abuse.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
46) Victims of domestic violence who resist court ordered mediation are not acting in the best interests of their children.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
47) During the divorce process, victims of domestic violence are likely to try to alienate the child from the other parent.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
48) Too often fathers are denied joint custody because their ex-partners falsely accuse them of domestic violence.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
49) Victims of domestic violence who are reluctant to work out ways to co-parent with their ex-partners are hurting their children.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
50) When a domestically violent father tries to disrupt the mother-child relationship, that is a good reason to award sole custody to the mother.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
51) If an abusive husband has not directly abused his child, contact between them should be unrestricted.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
52) When women allege domestic violence, the claim is often exaggerated to alienate fathers from their children.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
53) It is a myth that women are less violent than men in intimate relationships.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
54) Custody and visitation decisions should only be based on how parents treated the child and not how they treated the other parent.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>															
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In what percentage of cases do you estimate that domestic violence perpetrators try to alienate the child from the other parent?

What are your major concerns regarding custody and visitation (parenting time) cases that involve domestic violence?

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What recommendations do you have for improving the outcomes of custody and visitation decisions in cases that involve domestic violence?

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(1000 characters remaining)

## Beliefs About Justice and Equality

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each statement below by clicking a button.

[illegible]

## Knowledge of Domestic Violence Acquired

Please indicate the approximate number of times you have used the following sources to acquire knowledge about domestic violence.

**0 1 - 5 6 - 10 11 - 20 Over 20**

78) Books	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
79) Radio programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
80) Films or videos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

81) Workshops      ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐  
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82) Articles      ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐  
83) Lectures      ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐  
84) Professional consultations      ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐  
85) Web sites read      ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

86)  
What areas of knowledge have you acquired? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Prevalence of domestic violence
- ☐ Causes of domestic violence
- ☐ Types of perpetrators
- ☐ Post-separation violence
- ☐ Screening for domestic violence
- ☐ Assessing dangerousness in domestic violence cases
- ☐ Children's exposure to domestic violence

87)  
Have you personally known anyone who was a victim/survivor of domestic violence? If so, indicate his or her relationship to you (select all that apply):

- ☐ father
- ☐ mother
- ☐ sibling
- ☐ other relative
- ☐ friend
- ☐ acquaintance
- ☐ co-worker
- ☐ neighbor
- ☐ myself

**Your Demographics**

88)  
Your Gender  
☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ No Answer

89)  
Your Age  
☐ 18-29 ☐ 30-39 ☐ 40-49 ☐ 50-59 ☐ 60 and over ☐ No Answer

90)  
Education  
☐ High School ☐ Some college ☐ Four years of college ☐ Advanced Degree ☐ No Answer

91)  
If you have an advanced degree, please indicate the kind of degree:  
☐ Master's ☐ Ph.D. ☐ Psy.D. ☐ M.D. ☐ No Answer ☐ Other (Please specify)  
Other:

92)  
My advanced degree is in the field of:

**Thank you for completing this survey!**  
**If you have any questions or comments,**  
**please contact Dr. Daniel G. Saunders at [saunddan@umich.edu](mailto:saunddan@umich.edu).**

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