

FASD and the Criminal Justice System

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FOR EVERYONE <p>The Lawyer's Brief says almost everything I need to say. The paper entitled "Mistakes" (links at right) is my account of my awakening to fetal alcohol...it is a now generic list of the mistakes every professional makes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lawyer's Brief• Mistakes I Have Made• Several Languages of Law• Honouring Our Past
For Judges, Lawyers, Police, Corrections, and Probation <p>FASD accounts for our most difficult and most frequent users of the legal system. Persons with fetal alcohol do poorly in our system, and I offer here some specifics that work.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What Judges & Lawyers Need to Know• What Legal Pros Need to Know• Identifying Youth at Risk• Criminalization of FASD• FASD and the Law• Aboriginal Justice Workers and the Law
For Teachers, Social Workers, and Psychologists <p>Here are some papers for those unacknowledged first responders to fetal alcohol. Teachers and social workers can have the biggest impact - if they recognize what they have is non-comprehension, <i>not</i> non-compliance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Several Languages of Law• Mistakes I Have Made• What a Lawyer Learned from Diane Malbin• Teachers and Fetal Alcohol• Interviewing
For Families <p>Families have the heart-breaking reality of never being able to walk away from this brain-based birth defect. It is a life-time task and here is some trenchant advice on what to do and how to prepare for court.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lawyer's Brief• Mistakes I Have Made• Several Languages of Law• Honouring Our Past• What Parents Need to Know• The Way Forward• Interviewing

If you have any questions after reading some of these materials, please do not hesitate to contact David at dmoulding@shaw.ca.