

# Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation Newsletter

**Brain Development  
Symposium  
Monday  
September 8, 2008**

**10:00 - 3:00 PM**

**State Bar of Georgia  
Headquarters  
3rd floor Auditorium  
104 Marietta St. NW,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303**

**Parking available on  
site for fee**

**Full 08-09 Lecture  
Schedule available at  
[www.avlf.org](http://www.avlf.org)  
or  
[www.gaprofessionalservices.org](http://www.gaprofessionalservices.org)**

**9/8/08 Full Day 10-3 on  
Brain Development:  
Baby Brains, Parent's  
Rights, Child's Rights.  
How does all of this get  
balanced in the Child  
Welfare System?**

**10/20/08 10:00 to noon  
Nutrition and its'  
Effects on Cognitive  
Development and  
Learning  
Diane Bales, Ph.D.  
University of Georgia**

**Symposium  
Monday  
September 8, 2008**

**10:00 - 3:00 PM**

This kickoff seminar specially sponsored by:

## The Supreme Court of Georgia's Commission on Justice for Children

September! Time to snap out of it and smell the pencil shavings. Although you can no longer wear white shoes without bringing out the fashion police (luckily my white sandals as dirty enough that I am now classifying them as taupe so I am good, which I am sure, is a relief to all of you out there ready to point out my sartorial shortcomings.) Fall is the time to clean up your act and start amassing new knowledge for the new year. For those of us somewhat long in the tooth for a new lunch box each year, our need to learn does not stop after the last diploma. Get on the stick and RSVP for this coming Monday's seminar.

I am waiting to hear from all you white shoe wearing slackers so send me your RSVP and I will in-turn provide you with free fashion advice so that you look your best as you attend the lecture and possibly collect a portion of your 15 minutes of fame.

Yours with my shoes tucked firmly under my desk but I still contend that they are taupe.

Kathleen

[kdumitrescu@avlf.org](mailto:kdumitrescu@avlf.org). Call with questions 678-681-6009.

Kathleen Dumitrescu  
Attorney at Law  
Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation  
Suite 1750 North Tower  
235 Peachtree Street, NE  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
678-681-6009  
[kdumitrescu@avlf.org](mailto:kdumitrescu@avlf.org)

**11/10/08 Full Day  
ADHD**

**An overview of 20  
years of research in  
Attention Deficit  
Hyperactivity Disorder  
Benjamin B. Lahey,  
Ph.D.**

**Department of Health  
Studies, The  
University of Chicago**

**12/08/08 9:30 to 12:30  
The new revised  
DSM: Cracking the  
Code**

**1/12/09 10:00 to 12:00  
noon  
Response to  
Intervention  
Understanding the  
Rubric**

**2/12/09 10:00 to noon  
Response to  
Intervention  
Understanding the  
Rubric**

**02/09/09 Full Day  
Autism and  
Aspergers  
Autism Spectrum  
Disorder : Multiple  
pathways to working  
the puzzle piece**

**03/16/09 10 to noon  
IDEA 2004 Accessing  
Services under the  
Law**

**4/13/09 Full Day:  
Depression and**

**What does toxic stress do to baby brains?  
newly published research coming from Harvard  
University**

**10-noon Presenter: Dr. Jordan Greenbaum, Medical  
Director, Child Protection Center, Children's  
Healthcare of Atlanta.**

**12:00 to 1:00 Lunch**

**1:00 to 3:00 Join us for a very interactive panel to  
discuss what the Harvard research means to the  
people working in a child welfare setting.  
Agency People to discuss how cases are handled  
and how services are allocated in Georgia**

**Panelists include: Dr. Jordan Greenbaum, Judge  
Peggy Walker, University of Michigan Professor  
Don Duquette. Director of Babies Can't Wait Wendy  
Miller, CEO Georgia Head Start Dr. Robert  
Lawrence, and representatives from the Division of  
Family and Children Services and Parent to Parent  
Network.**

**Moderator: Kathleen Dumitrescu, Atlanta Volunteer  
Lawyers Foundation**

**Bipolar**  
**05/11/09 9:30 to 12:30**  
**PTSD and Reactive**  
**Attachment Disorder**

[www.gaprofessionalservices.org](http://www.gaprofessionalservices.org)

Links &  
Resources  
**AVLF**

To volunteer for any of our  
programs please contact us at:  
404-521-0790  
or  
[djack@avlf.org](mailto:djack@avlf.org)

## Directions to the State Bar of Georgia Headquarters

*(Two blocks from CNN,  
Philips Arena, Centennial Park)*  
**104 Marietta St. NW,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303**

*(The best level to park for the 3rd floor conference room is the 5th or 6th level of the attached parking garage) parking available at hourly rate for non-Bar members.*

**From the East I-20:** Take the Windsor-Spring Exit. Turn right on Spring Street. Turn right on Marietta Street.

**\*It is no longer possible to make a left-hand turn into the Bar parking deck when traveling west up Marietta Street.**

**From the West I-20:** Take the Windsor-Spring Exit. Turn left on Spring Street. Turn right on Marietta Street.

**\*It is no longer possible to make a left-hand turn into the Bar parking deck when traveling west up Marietta Street.**

**From the South 75-85:** Take Andrew Young International Boulevard Exit and turn left onto Andrew Young International Boulevard. Follow to the 6<sup>th</sup> light, Centennial Parkway, and make another left. In two blocks turn left on Marietta Street. Just through the next light, turn right into the State Bar of Georgia parking lot.

**From the North 75-85:** Take Williams Street Exit. Turn right onto Andrew Young International Boulevard. Follow to the 6<sup>th</sup> light, Centennial Parkway, and make another left. In two blocks turn left on Marietta Street. Just through the next light, turn right into the State Bar of Georgia parking lot.

**From Marta - Five Points Station:** Exit the train station heading towards Peachtree Street. Turn left out of the station onto Peachtree Street. Follow Peachtree Street to Marietta Street. Turn left on Marietta Street. Follow Marietta Street for four blocks.