

Dr. Jeff Kieliszewski joined Human Resource Associates in June 2001. He has extensive training and clinical experience in Forensic Psychology. Forensic Psychology is the application of psychological science to legal problems.

Dr. Kieliszewski served his doctoral internship with the Federal Bureau of Prisons Medical Center in Lexington, Kentucky. He has also been employed as a staff psychologist with the Michigan Department of Corrections and the Iowa Department of Corrections.

Dr. Kieliszewski has been qualified as an expert witness in federal and various state courts. He has been qualified as an expert witness in several counties throughout West Michigan.

The following provides a description of expanded forensic psychological services Dr. Kieliszewski is able to offer:

### **Telephone consultation**

The purpose of this level of consultation is to help the attorney identify mental health issues (e.g., competency to stand trial, competency to confess, mitigating circumstances for pretrial consideration and/or sentencing). This level of consultation includes exploring potential legal avenues based on the mental health issues present and possibly designing a strategy to examine or introduce mental health issues into the legal case.

### **Records and transcript review**

At this level, Dr. Kieliszewski would provide an extensive and critical review of any medical, psychological, or psychiatric records obtained. This level of consultation could also include a review any available relevant legal documents (police investigations, defendant and witness statements, etc.) to assess for potential mental health issues that could be pertinent in the case. Dr. Kieliszewski could provide a written summary of findings and possible telephone consultation in order to assist the attorney in preparing potential lines of questioning or cross examination of opposing counsel expert witnesses.

### **Professional research review**

Often when there are mental health or psychiatric issues present in a case, the attorney involved may not have a good understanding of the scientific research base regarding these issues. Dr. Kieliszewski and his staff are able to provide a written research brief in bullet form in order to familiarize the attorney with the specific mental health issues presented or alleged in the case. This often assists in developing a legal strategy or helps the attorney in preparing for cross-examination. Dr. Kieliszewski will write a research review that specifically addresses the topics and issues relevant in the case. Also, phone consultation can be provided in conjunction in order to help explain the research as it relates to legal strategies.

### **Trial consultation**

This level of consultation can include a variety of tasks. These could include assisting in the interviewing of potential witnesses, coaching on attorney presentation, help to develop legal strategy pertaining to mental health issues, and assisting in the development of cross-examination lines of questioning of expert witnesses.

### **On site or in office evaluation of a defendant and/or expert testimony**

At this level, Dr. Kieliszewski is able to provide an extensive psychological evaluation to directly address referral questions formulated, specific to the case. These questions could include competency to stand trial, criminal responsibility, diminished capacity, risk for violent or sexual offending, or issues related to guilty but mentally ill pleas. Also, this type of evaluation in conjunction with expert testimony could assist not only in pretrial phases but also statute-based downward departure in sentencing due to mental health issues (in federal court) or presentation of mitigating circumstances at either pretrial or for sentencing in state cases.

Dr. Kieliszewski is available by phone in his office most days. He can be reached at 616-458-0692. He can also be reached by e-mail at [jtkiel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jtkiel@sbcglobal.net) for general questions and specific referrals

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