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- Why attachment is emerging as a key and fundamental issue in custody litigation;
- What attorneys need to know about attachment and how it is assessed, including recent key research findings;
- How attachment is misunderstood by experts: tips for effective cross-examination
- How attachment findings relate to custody matters, including:
 - o Recommendations for legal and physical custody o Is there a "primary" parent?
- How to educate the court about the impact of attachment relationships in:
 - o High conflict families o Timeshare schedules o Families with young children
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 - A. From the attorney's perspective
 - Client in crisis: real or imagined
 - Managing expectations
 - B. Human behavior and how it magnifies...
 - Responses to crisis
 - Parent perceptions
 - Grief process
- II. Custody Plans Ages, Stages and Relationships
 - A. Importance of developmental frame
 - B. Ages and stages
 - C. Individual and relationship factors
 - D. Common errors
 - E. The pre-litigation psych consultation

- III. Dealing with the adverse custody report
 - A. Be alert to early signs of trouble
 - Uneven procedures
 - Violation of court rules
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 - C. Get a work-product consult
 - What experts should look for
 - D. Using a psychologist in the process

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