

Kathleen A. Clark PhD, LISW-S

Kathy has been a social worker for over 40 years working with children and adolescents in schools and the family court who are experiencing parental separation and divorce. Kathy has designed and implemented mandatory programs for parents and children experiencing parental separation and divorce. She currently develops and evaluates court based programs for youth involved in the family court, specifically she facilitates trauma groups for court involved female juveniles and support groups for youth experiencing parental divorce. Kathy is also the dog handler for court facility dog, Camry. Camry plays a role in helping children who are involved in domestic relations and juvenile cases by accompanying them in court hearings and interviews.

Past position include faculty in the social work department of Capital University and social work department chair at Mt. Vernon Nazarene University.

Kathy has served as faculty with the Supreme Court of Ohio offering training for guardians ad litem and has served on several Supreme Court of Ohio subcommittees. She served as the Executive Director for the task force on divorce reform in Ohio – The Ohio Task Force on Family Law and Children. She has also published on the topics of parent education programs, services for divorcing parents, experience of fathers in the divorce process, and collaborative efforts between mental health and law.

Current member of the National Association of Social Workers, the national and Ohio chapters of Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC).

Masters in Clinical Social Work (MSW) and PhD in Human Development and Family Studies – both from The Ohio State University.

Presentations state, national and international on children's adjustment to divorce, how to interview children, the impact of trauma on children and adolescents, and the use of a facility dog in a family court setting.