



## Maternal Mental Illness and the Criminal Justice System

Location: H2Ocean Restaurant  
41 Ridgedale Avenue, Cedar Knolls New Jersey 07927

Thursday October 22, 7:00 pm      Dinner at H2Ocean  
Friday October 23, 2015, 8:30 – 5:00      Education Seminar

This educational seminar, presented by experts in the field maternal mental illness and the law, is designed to increase the competence and proficiency of professionals in the legal and law enforcement professions in their understanding and representation of women accused of crimes during the course of perinatal mental illness. The day-long seminar will provide practical, evidence-based, and case-based information, with ample time for discussion. The seminar lead faculty is criminal defense attorney George Parnham, JD, expert on the defense of individuals with mental illness and a passionate advocate for legal reform of their treatment in the criminal justice system. Please contact Wendy Davis [wdavis@postpartum.net](mailto:wdavis@postpartum.net) for information about CLEs and CMEs.

- 8:00-8:45:      Registration
- 8:45-9:00:      Introduction: PSI President Ann Smith & George Parnham, JD
- 9:00-10:00:    Insanity Definitions, the Legal System and Responses -- George Parnham, JD
- 10:15-11:15:   Understanding Perinatal Psychiatric Illness and the Law -- Shoshana Bennett, PhD
- 11:15-11:45:   Discussion, Q & A
- 11:45 -12:15:   LUNCH SERVED
- 12:15 - 1:15:   Expert Panel:
- Po Chau: Public Defender experience; current case
  - Susan Feingold: Parole after incarceration
  - George Parnham JD & Margaret Spinelli MD : managing stress of difficult cases
- 1:30-2:30:      Psychosis and Medical-Legal Systems: Gaps and Failures
- 2:30-3:30:      Types of maternal illness cases in Criminal Justice -- Diana Lynn Barnes, PsyD
- 3:45-4:45:      Important factors in selecting and preparing an expert witness -- Susan Stone, LCSW
- 4:45-5:00:      Q&A and Discussion

Full fee Seminar	\$325.00
Paralegal	\$250.00
Public Defender/ Government Employee	\$225.00
PSI Member Seminar	\$200.00
Student Rate Seminar	\$185.00

**ONLINE REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION**  
<https://www.postpartumlegal.eventbrite.com>

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