Defining SEXUAL Assault and CONSENT in the #MeToo Era

A Forensic Fridays Seminar
Co-sponsored by Duquesne University’s Schools of Law and Nursing

Friday, SEPTEMBER 14
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Power Center Ballroom, Duquesne University

Program Agenda

8:30 a.m.  Welcome and Introductions  Benjamin E. Wecht, M.A.
8:45 a.m.  What is Sexual Consent? A Review of the Social Science Literature of the Past Decade  Ayn O’Reilly, Ph.D.
9:30 a.m.  Toward a New Legal Definition of Sexual Consent  Rona Kaufman, J.D.
10:15 a.m. Break
10:30 a.m. The Neurobiology of Trauma and Victim Reporting  L. Kathleen Sekula, Ph.D.
11:15 a.m. Ensuring Equal Access to Behavioral Science Experts in the Adjudication of Alleged Sexual Assaults  Allan Pass, Ph.D.
12:00 p.m. Lunch Break
12:30 p.m. The Investigation and Prosecution of Sexual Assault  Laura Ditka, Esq.
1:15 p.m.  Legal Strategies and Public Perception in Defending Individuals Accused of Sexual Assault  Charles LoPresti, Esq.
2:00 p.m.  Break
2:15 p.m.  Panel Discussion: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Sexual Assault and Consent in the #MeToo Era  Moderator: Susan Goldberg, J.D., Ph.D.
Panelists: All Presenters
The Hon. Kevin G. Sasinoski
3:45 p.m.  Adjournment