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EDUCATION

In Progress Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology, Law & Society, George Mason University

Advisor: Dr. Allison D. Redlich

Qualifying Paper: The Risks and Consequences of Innocence in School Discipline:

Implications for Policy and Research

2019 - 2021 Master of Science in Psychological Sciences, The University of Tennessee at

Chattanooga (UTC)

Advisor: Dr. Amye R. Warren

Master's Thesis: Lying Strategies in Juveniles During Behavior Analysis Interviews

2015 - 2019 **Bachelor of Science** in Psychology and Sociology (Youth Studies Concentration),

Central Michigan University (CMU)

Honors: Magna Cum Laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Adolescent Legal Decision-Making False Admissions of Guilt

Police Interrogations Aftermath of Wrongful Conviction

School Discipline Quantitative Methods

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 7. **Bettens, T.,** Cleary, H. D., & Bull, R. (2023). Humane interrogation strategies are associated with confessions, cooperation, and disclosure: Evidence from a field study of U.S. suspects. In press. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*.
- 6. **Bettens, T.,** & Redlich, A. D. (2023). The effects of confessions on misconduct and guilty pleas in exonerations: Implications for discovery policies. *Criminology & Public Policy*. Advanced online publication. https://doi.org/10.1111/1745-9133.12643
- 5. DiFava, R. J., **Bettens, T.,** Wilford, M. M., & Redlich, A. D. (2023). Confession evidence results in more true and false guilty pleas than eyewitness evidence. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*. Advanced online publication. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11292-023-09577-7
- Catlin, M., Wilson, D. B., Redlich, A. D., Bettens, T., Meissner, C. A., Bhatt, S., & Brandon, S. (2023). PROTOCOL: Interview and interrogation methods and their effects on true and false confessions: An update and extension. *Campbell Systematic Reviews*, 19(1), 1-12. https://doi.org/10.1002/cl2.1314
- 3. **Bettens, T.,** & Normile., C. (2023). Concerns and recommendations regarding the training of school administrators in interrogating students. *Psychology, Crime & Law.* Advanced online publication. https://doi.org/10.1080/1068316X.2023.2196424

2. Redlich, A. D., Catlin, M., & **Bettens, T.** (2023). Intent-to-treat in the "cheating" paradigm: A meta-analysis. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*. Advanced online publication. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11292-023-09555-z

1. **Bettens, T.,** & Warren, A. R. (2023). Juveniles and adults differ in their beliefs about cues to deception and strategies during a hypothetical police interview. *Applied Cognitive Psychology*, *37*(1), 96-110. https://doi.org/10.1002/acp.4030

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES – UNDER REVIEW

- **Bettens, T.** The risks and consequences of innocence in school discipline: Implications for policy and research. *Invited revise and resubmit*.
- **Bettens, T.**, & Cleary, H. D. Defense attorney perspectives about juvenile interrogations: SROs, parents, and the adolescent defendant. *Invited revise and resubmit*.
- Catlin, M., **Bettens, T.,** Scherr, K. C., & Redlich, A. D. The role of false admissions in exoneree reintegration and compensation. *Invited revise and resubmit.*
- **Bettens, T.,** Warren, A., R., & Pica, E. Stigma or support? How gender, race, and intersectionality impact perceptions of exonerees.
- Catlin, M., Wilson, D. B., Redlich, A. D., **Bettens, T.,** Meissner, C. A., Bhatt, S., & Brandon, S. Interview and interrogation methods and their effects on true and false confessions: An update and extension.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Bettens, T., Redlich, A. D., & Helm, R. (forthcoming) *Legal procedures: Protecting children or exacerbating vulnerabilities?* L. Malloy, R. Helm, & T. Zottoli (Eds.) Confessions and guilty pleas of youth: Developmental science and practical implications.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Bettens, T. (2023, August 25). Confessions produce more guilty pleas than eyewitnesses. *Psychology Today*. https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/injustice-system/202308/confessions-produce-more-guilty-pleas-than-eyewitnesses

RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2021 Current Graduate Research Assistant, Modeling Decision-Making in Legal Settings (MoDiLS) Lab, George Mason University.
- 2020 2021 Lab Manager, Psychology & Law Lab, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga.
- 2020 2021 Graduate Research Assistant, College of Education, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga.

- 2019 2021 Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga.
- 2018 2019 Research Assistant, Social Cognition Lab, Department of Psychology, Central Michigan University.
- 2017 2018 Research Assistant, School Psychology Lab, Department of Psychology, Central Michigan University.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- *Denotes undergraduate mentee
- *Andrew, I., *Impat, J., *Abbott, N., **Bettens, T.,** & Redlich, A. D. (2023, November 15-18). *Hiring discrimination against exonerees: The influence of crime severity.* [Poster presentation]. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Bettens, T., Catlin, M., Scherr, K. C., Redlich, A. D., Arredondo Cruz, J., Khan, S., & Hare, N. (2023, November 15-18). Hiring discrimination among exonerees: The role of false confessions. In T.
 Bettens (Chair), Wrongful Convictions [Symposium]. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Catlin, M., **Bettens, T.,** Scherr, K. C., Redlich, A. D., Khan, S., & Hare, N. (2023, November 15-18). The "do's and don'ts" of compensating exonerees. In **T. Bettens** (Chair), *Wrongful Convictions* [Symposium]. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- *Ng, A., *Connelly, M., *Farmer, C., **Bettens, T.,** & Redlich, A. D. (2023, April 20). *Are food or sales industries more accepting of those with a criminal background?* [Poster presentation]. George Mason University College of Humanities and Social Science Undergraduate Research Symposium, Fairfax, VA.
- Bettens, T., Catlin, M., Redlich, A. D., Scherr, K. C., Hare, N., & Khan, S. (2023, March 16-18). Listening to exonerees about factors that affect compensation and post-release adjustment. In T. Bettens (Chair), *The aftermath of innocence: Intake processes, mental health, compensation, and reentry* [Symposium]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Cleary, H. D. M., & **Bettens, T.** (2023, March 16-18). *Defense attorney perspectives about juvenile interrogations: SROs, parents, and the adolescent defendant* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- DiFava, R., **Bettens, T.,** Wilford, M., & Redlich, A. D. (2023, March 16-18). *Investigating the effect of confessions on true and false guilty pleas* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Catlin, M., Redlich, A. D., & **Bettens, T.** (2023, March 16-18). Intent-to-treat in the "cheating" paradigm: A meta-analysis. In M. Catlin (Chair), *What we "know" about interrogations: Methodological considerations and perceptions of legal decision-makers* [Symposium]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- **Bettens, T.,** Warren, A., & Pica, E. (2023, March 16-18). *Perceptions of responsibility mediate reintegration support for false confessors independent of exoneree race* [Poster presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Bettens, T., Catlin, M., Redlich, A. D., Scherr, K. C., Hare, N., & Khan, S. (2022, November 16-19). *Exonerees' experiences with compensation: A preliminary look.* [Paper presentation]. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

- **Bettens, T.,** & Redlich, A. D. (2022, November 16-19). *Predicting guilty pleas from confessions and misconduct in known exonerations* [Paper presentation]. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- **Bettens, T.,** & Redlich, A. D. (2022, March). Official misconduct and false admissions of guilt in known wrongful convictions. In L. Levett (Chair), *Prosecutorial decision making: Charging, evidence disclosure, plea bargaining, and misconduct* [Symposium]. American Psychology Law Society, Denver, CO,
- **Bettens, T.,** George, S., Williams, A., Schau, J., Barczak, A., Martinez, A., & Warren, A. (2021, April). *How juveniles' and adults' use strategies to appear innocent in a police interview* [Poster presentation]. The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga's Research Dialogues, Chattanooga, TN.
- **Bettens, T.,** Pica, E., George, S., Barczak, A., Williams, A., & Warren, A. (2021, April). *How does race and gender impact perceptions of the wrongfully convicted?* [Poster presentation]. The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga's Research Dialogues, Chattanooga, TN.
- **Bettens, T.,** Williams, A., Barczak, A., Sroka, G., George, S., & Warren, A. (2021, March). *Lying strategies during Behavior Analysis Interviews* [Poster presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, virtual.
- **Bettens, T.,** George, S., Sroka, G., Barczak, A., Williams, A., & Warren, A. (2021, March). *Perceptions of exonerees based on race and gender in an official misconduct case* [Poster presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, virtual.
- Greenlee, L., **Bettens, T.,** Eggenberger, A., & Warren, A. (2021, March). *Mock jurors' perceptions of 'I don't know' answers in child testimony* [Poster presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, virtual.
- **Bettens, T.,** Nuno, C., Swanson, Z., Materia, M., Koonce, M. & Warren, A. (2021, March). *Course modality, individual differences, and academic success during COVID-19* [Poster presentation]. Southeastern Psychological Association Annual Conference, virtual.
- Greenlee, L., **Bettens, T.,** & Warren, A. (2020, March). *Perceptions of interrogations using implicit and explicit tactics with juveniles with autism* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Eggenberger, A., **Bettens, T.,** Greenlee, L., & Warren, A. (2020, March). *Adults' expectations of juveniles' understanding of rights by age, warning type, and crime* [Paper presentation]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- **Bettens, T.,** Pica, E., & Warren, A. (2020, April). *Gender differences in stigma resulting from wrongful convictions* [Poster presentation]. The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga's Research Dialogues, Chattanooga, TN [Conference cancelled].

Bettens, T., Greenlee, L., & Warren, A. (2020, April). *Is it fair to use false evidence ploys with juvenile suspects when they have autism or an intellectual disability?* [Poster presentation]. The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga's Research Dialogues, Chattanooga, TN [Conference cancelled].

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND PREPARATION

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Summer 2024	Instructor, Department of Criminology, Law and Society, George Mason University <i>Course</i> : Delinquency and Juvenile Justice (modality: asynchronous)	
2022 - 2024	Adjunct Instructor, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga <i>Course</i> : Psychological Research Methods (modality: asynchronous)	
Spring 2023	Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Criminology, Law and Society, George Mason University Course: Introduction to Criminology (modality: face-to-face) Certification: Graduate Teaching Training Certification, George Mason University	
2020 - 2021	Graduate Coordinator of Research Methods Labs, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga (supervised and trained graduate student instructors)	
Fall 2020	Graduate Instructor, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga <i>Course</i> : Introduction to Psychology (modality: asynchronous)	
Spring 2020	Teaching and Pedagogy Fellow, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga Certification: Quality Matters Digital Credentials	
2019 - 2021	Graduate Instructor, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga <i>Course</i> : Research Methods Lab (modalities: face-to-face and asynchronous)	
2019 - 2021	⁺ Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga *Courses*: Developmental Psychology, Applied Developmental Psychology, Teaching of Psychology (modalities: face-to-face)	
Fall 2019	Teaching of Psychology and Pedagogy Graduate-Level Course, Department of Psychology, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga	
2018 – 2019	⁺ Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Psychology, Central Michigan University Courses: Psychological Research Methods, Psychological Statistics (modalities: face-to-face)	

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

2023	Summer Research Grant, Department of Criminology, Law & Society, George Mason
	University

2023 Travel Award, Department of Criminology, Law & Society, George Mason University

2022	High-Value Detainee Interrogation Group and Iowa State University, "Interview and Interrogation methods and their effects on true and false confessions": Contracted meta-analysis coder	
2022	Contracted programmer and coder [Latex and Python], Central Michigan University	
2022	Summer Research Grant, Department of Criminology, Law & Society, George Mason University	
2022	Graduate Student Travel Fund Award, George Mason University	
2022	Travel Award, Department of Criminology, Law & Society, George Mason University	
2021	Travel Award, Department of Criminology, Law & Society, George Mason University	
2021	Summer Research Grant, "Lying strategies in juveniles during Behavior Analysis Interviews": co-PI [PI: Amye Warren], University of Tennessee-Chattanooga	
2019	Scholarship, Engagement, Arts, Research, Creativity, and Humanities Grant, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga "Lying strategies in juveniles during Behavior Analysis Interviews": Principal Investigator [co-PI: Amye Warren]	
2019	Graduate Student Grant-in-Aid, American Psychology-Law Society (not funded)	
2019	Department of Psychology Travel Award, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga	
2015 - 2019	Academic Excellence Award, Central Michigan University	
ACADEMIC SERVICE		
Current	Vice President, Criminology, Law and Society Student Association, George Mason University	
2022 - 2023	Ph.D. Representative, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, Department of Criminology, Law and Society, George Mason University	
2022 - 2023	Secretary, Criminology, Law and Society Student Association, George Mason University	
Fall 2021	Invited Speaker, Department of Psychology Brown Bag Series, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga	
2017 - 2019	Secretary, Psi Chi Psychology Honors Society, Central Michigan University	
AWARDS AND RECOGNITION		

Graduate Student Outstanding Service Award, Department of Criminology, Law & Society, George Mason University

2023

2021	Department of Psychology Outstanding Graduate Student Award, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
2021	Outstanding Student Poster Award, American Psychology-Law Society Conference, <i>Perceptions of exonerees based on race and gender in an official misconduct case.</i>

REVIEWER ACTIVITIES

Reviewed draft Policy #9, Police Interactions with Students, for Strategies for Youth Law and Human Behavior (Student Peer-Review Mentor Program)

Journal of Forensic Psychology Research and Practice

International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology

American Psychology-Law Society Annual Conference submission reviewer

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Psychological Association (APA)
Division 7: Developmental Psychology
Division 41: American Psychology-Law Society
American Society of Criminology (ASC)
Southeastern Psychological Association (SEPA)