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Founder of Loving Dogs and McMath Trial Consultants

CANINE CERTIFICATIONS:

Certified Behavior Consultant Canine Consultant - Knowledge Assessed "CBCC-KA" from the Certified Counsel for Professional Dog Trainers, Behavior Division, June 2015

Certified Dog Behavior Consultant, "CDBC", International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants, Dog Division, June 2016

The following were the areas of study: *Dog Breeds and Mixes *Canine Mind and Emotion *Canine Evolution/Domestication *Ethology *Applied Behavior Analysis *Learning Theory *Health, Development and Life stages *Nutrition *Training Methods *How People Learn *Anatomy, Biology and Physiology *Observation and Interpretation of Canine Body Language *Canine Communication *Scientific Methodology *Business Development *Ethics and Best Practices

CANINE BEHAVIOR PUBLISHED WORKS BY Ms. HATFIELD:

Published by the Association of Professional Dog Trainers magazine the "Chronicle"

Fall 2017:

"Attachment Scales as a Tool for Behavior Consultants"

Spring 2018:

"Witness for the Prosecution...or Defense - Dog trainers, behaviorists may be called for expert testimony"

Fall 2018:

"Communicating Effectively - Mental Health Issues; Proper Diagnosis Essential"

Winter 2018:

"Canine Cognitive Dysfunction- Caring for Dogs with Advance Dementia"

Spring 2019

"How Dangerous is This Dog? Diagnosing and Assessing Aggression Involves Both Dog and Pet Parent"

Published by the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants "IAABC Journal"

Winter 2017: *"Attachment Scales as a Tool for Behavior Consultants"*

Spring 2018: *"Testifying in Court"*

Summer 2018: *"Caring for Dogs with Advanced Dementia"*

Spring 2019: *"Selecting and Developing the Best Show Dog Puppy"*

PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS CONDUCTED BY MS. HATFIELD:

Staff Training for the Good Shepherd Animal Shelter, Eureka Springs, Arkansas 2017

Presented a SHORT for the Association of Professional Dog Trainers, “Attachment Scales as a Tool for Behavior Consultants” 2017 Conference, Richmond, Virginia.

Temperament Assessment and Behavior Evaluations for Central Arkansas Rescue Effort, “C.A.R.E”, 2017

Presentation for the staff of All Pets Animal Hospital, Bentonville, Arkansas on Canine Mental Health, 2016

Presentation for supporters of Spay Arkansas “The Human-Canine Bond” 2015

E-Training International Webinar “Identifying and Assessing Mental Issues in the Dog” 2015

Temperament Assessment and Behavior Evaluations for the Washington County Animal Shelter Staff

Educational presentations regarding dog ownership and safety for local elementary schools

MEMBERSHIPS:

Professional Member -The Association of Professional Dog Trainers, APDT, 2011-2016

Society for the Promotion of Applied Research in Canine Science, SPARCS, 2015

Professional Member-International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants, 2016

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB EXPERIENCE:

Ms. Hatfield has been involved from 2005-2013 in the showing and handling on a national level of her Cavalier King Charles Spaniels who each earned their Championship in the American Kennel Club. Ms. Hatfield introduced in 2018 to the AKC show ring, her newest Cavalier: Haviland McMath.

Ch. Truman McMath in 2007 ranked among the Top Twenty Cavalier King Charles Spaniels in the U.S. attending Westminster Kennel Club show, winning an Award of Merit at Meadowlands N.Y. He won an Invitation as one of the Top 20 Cavaliers to the Eukanuba Dog Show winning an Award of Merit. He was one of five earning an Invitation to Cruft's Dog Show in Oxford, England. Truman completed his basic Obedience Training and Agility as well as earning his AKC Canine Good Citizen.

Ch. Princeton McMath completed his basic Obedience Training and Agility, as well as earning his AKC Canine Good Citizen.

Ch. Brookhaven Stetson McMath also earned his AKC Championship.

CONFERENCES:

Professional Member of the Association of Professional Dog Trainers, "A.P.D.T".

Attended multiple A.P.D.T Conferences featuring some of the world's leading Canine Behaviorist and Professional Dog Trainers through lectures and hands on workshops in San Diego, CA, Oct. 2011, Cincinnati, Ohio, Oct. 2012, Spokane, WA, Oct. 2013, Hartford, CT. Oct. 2014, Dallas, TX 2015, SPARCS Phoenix, AZ 2015, Richmond VA, 2017, Association of Professional Dog Trainers, Memphis, TN 2018

Bond-Based Choice Teaching - Jennifer Arnold and Judy Luther, Springfield, MO 2016

CANINE CAREER:

Private Consultations for Veterinarians, Shelters and Rescues, 2010 to date.

Canine Behavior Consultant for Canine Country Club, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Co-Host Loving Dogs Radio Show K.A.R.N 102.9 February 2009.

Conducts Temperament Assessment and Behavior Evaluations for dogs who lack socialization and or training as well as those who exhibit emotional problems such as: *Anxiety *Aggression *Fear *Phobias *Obsessive Compulsive behaviors. Any behavioral problems that disrupt the human-canine relationship are addressed by providing a management, safety, training or rehabilitation behavioral modification protocol.

COURSE STUDY:

Including but not limited to: Aggression, Anxiety and Fear, Canine Body Language, Learning Theory, Resource Guarding , Behavior Modification Protocols, Neuro-Physiology of the Canine Species and various hands on workshops and training sessions.

ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL DOG TRAINERS ON-LINE COURSES:

“Pick the Brain First: the right nose, breed, and training method will follow” Dr. Simon Gadbois, 2015.

“Canine Social and Psychological Development” Gail Fisher, 2014

“Dog Cognitive Research” Dr. Brian Hare, 2014

“Canine Behavior Surrounding Death” Dr. Kathy Cooney, 2014

“The Four Quadrants of Operant Conditioning” Irith Bloom, 2014

“Learning Theory” Teoti-Anderson, CPDT-KA, 2014

“CPDT-KA Fundamentals” 2014

“Ethology and Canine Behavior - Resource Guarding Between Animals: Causes and Remedies” Ken McCort, 2015

“How We Know Animals Think and Feel and Why” Virginia Morell, 2018

“Exploring Canine Attachment Behavior” Lauren Thielke, 2018

“Canine Intelligence Disobedience and Canine Cognition: Canine Cognition, Intentionally and Theories of the Mind” Barbara Handleman, 2017

“Investigating Behavioral, Cognitive, Memory Differences Between Owned and Shelter Dogs” Lisa Gunter, 2017

FIELD STUDY:

San Diego Zoo, San Diego Humane Society, Sea World and Clicker Training (A.P.D.T conference 2011)

Terry Ryan, “Clicker Training” workshop (A.P.D.T Conference 2013)

“Instructors Training Course” Sue Sternberg and Pia Silvani, Accord NY, NY (2012)

“Relationship Base Seminar”, Suzanne Clothier, Dallas Tex. (2013)

VOLUNTEER WORK:

Fayetteville Animal Shelter (FAS), Humane Society of the Ozarks (HSO) , Washington County Animal Shelter, Rogers Animal Humane Society, Good Shepherd Humane Society, Paws and Claws Madison County Animal Shelter, Washington County Animal League, Board Member for Spay Arkansas 2012-2014 . Educational Committee Spay Arkansas 2014, Sponsor for FAS “Going Home” program and HSO “Tails of Love”, Breed rescue and transport for Northwest Arkansas , Animal Care Education (ACE) for N.W. Arkansas.

AREA OF STUDY:

Including but not limited to:

Training to Adopt and Understanding Sociability - Sue Sternberg

Temperament Testing for Sociability and Aggression - Sue Sternberg

The Healing Power of Pets - Marty Becker, DVM

Canine Body Language - Brenda Aloff

A Practical Guide to Resource Guarding - Jean Donaldson

On Talking Terms with Dogs: Calming Signals - Turid Rugaas

Inside of a Dog, What Dogs See, Smell and Know - Alexandra Horowitz

Minding Animals - Marc Bekoff

The Genius of Dogs - Brian Hare

Dog Behavior - Ian Dunbar

The Power of Positive Training - Pat Miller

Getting a Grip on Aggression Cases - Nicole Wilde

Applied Dog Behavior and Training - Steven Lindsay

Excel-Exated Learning - Pamela Reid

Coaching People to Train - Terry Ryan

How Dogs Learn - Burch and Bailey

Dogs - Coppinger and Coppinger

Genetics and the Social Behavior of the Dog - Scott and Fuller

Animal Cognition - Wynne and Udell

The AKC Breed book

LEGAL CAREER:

Jury Consultant 1981 to present

Founding Member of The American Society of Trial Consultants 1982, Board of Directors and Vice President Central Arkansas Chapter

Certification in Civil Mediation and Arkansas Conflict Resolution

Owner of McMath Trial Consultants in private practice since 1983. Specializing in developing jury profiles and jury selection in multiple states for both civil and criminal trials in state and federal courts. Consulting attorneys in Case Analysis, Case Presentation, Witness Preparation, Trial Strategy, Focus Groups and Verbal and Non-Verbal Communication.

Published numerous articles for multiple state bar publications and has been cited in The New York Times, and the Legal Times Washington D.C. Approved by the Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Texas Supreme Courts for Continuing Education for their respective Bar Association's Seminars. Approved as an expert in Jury Selection for state and federal courts.

Presented Continuing Legal Education Seminars, Speeches and Training programs for State Bar Associations as well as the American Bar Association. Guest lecturer University of Arkansas Law School Little Rock and the University of Arkansas Law School, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Consulted on numerous high profile cases across the country. For more information regarding Ms. Hatfield's jury consulting career go to: www.mcmathtrialconsultants.com

EDUCATION and LICENSES:

Masters in Counseling Psychology 1981, University of Central AR

Licensed Psychological Examiner, Psychotherapist and Licensed Associate Counselor 1983 (retired)

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