

References Relevant to Parental Alienation Syndrome (PAS)

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SECTION 5 Frye and Mohan Rulings

The Frye Test is the standard by which a court can determine whether a scientific contribution has gained enough general acceptance in the scientific community to be admissible in a court of law. The Frye Test criteria for admissibility were applied to The Parental Alienation Syndrome in the following cases:

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 - Court **ruling** that the Parental Alienation Syndrome has gained general acceptance in the scientific community and thereby satisfies *Frye Test* criteria for admissibility.
- Bates v. Bates 18th Judicial Circuit, Dupage County, IL Case No. 99D958, Jan 17, 2002.
 - Court ruling that the Parental Alienation Syndrome has gained general acceptance in the scientific community and thereby satisfies *Frye Test* criteria for admissibility. [[excerpt](#)]

In Canada, the Mohan Test is applied to assess admissibility. It is more stringent than the Frye Test in that it employs more criteria than Frye. The Mohan Test was applied to the Parental Alienation Syndrome in the following case(s):

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SECTION 6 Additional Publications Not Referenced Above

The American Psychological Association has published guidelines* for child-custody evaluations in divorce proceedings. These are the guidelines The American Psychological Association proposes that examiners use when conducting such examinations. The Guidelines provide another index of the value of the PAS concept to child custody evaluators. The Guidelines conclude with a highly selective reference section titled "Pertinent Literature." Three of the 39 references are books by Dr. Gardner; one is titled "The Parental Alienation Syndrome" and the other two include discussions about PAS.

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