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**Posttraumatic Stress Disorder in Combat Veterans: Clinical and Legal Perspectives**

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*Recent statistical data regarding the incidence of PTSD and other psychiatric symptomatology in servicemen and women deployed to Afghanistan and Iraq since 2001 are discussed. The frequent presence of these disorders is a matter of great concern so far as providing treatment to these veterans, and results of the various treatment modalities provided are described. As well as clinical implications, the legal ramifications for assessment of PTSD and assignment of service-related compensation are emphasized.*

**Children Who Kill: Understanding Our Response**

**Cassandra M. Klyman, M.D.**

*The American response to juvenile offenders has evolved within the dynamics of English common law, states' versus federal rights, conflict between the legislative and judicial branches of government and commentary from the international community. Illustrating these issues as they converge on two Michigan child-killers may help inform and prepare us when we are challenged to assist the child, his/her family, the prosecution or the defense. It may guide us to give thoughtful testimony to the local and national legislatures which ultimately can change procedure and sentencing.*

**Suicide and Serial Killers**

**John White, Ph.D. and David Lester, Ph.D.**

*In a sample of 594 serial killers in the United States from 1950 to 2002, the number of victims was associated with being male and with being stationary or nomadic in style. Suicide as an outcome was associated only with having criminal enterprise as the motive.*

**A Case Report of a Highly Gifted Aristocrat  
Who Demonstrated Episodic Psychopathic Behavior**

**Willem H. J. Martens M.D., Ph.D.**

*A case report is presented of a patient who demonstrated episodic psychopathic and periodically normal and healthy social-emotional, cognitive and moral activities. The correlates of this episodically complete recovery (on a daily basis) and healthy attitude are also studied and discussed in this article.*