Robert I. Goldman is an attorney and a licensed psychologist. He is the former Supervising Psychologist of the Suffolk County Probation Department. Dr. Goldman has worked with New York State in developing conflict resolution programs between the victim and offender. He has lectured throughout the world in the area of restorative justice and he is an adjunct professor at Dowling College, St. Josephs College, and Briarcliffe College.

Dr. Goldman is a member of the Suffolk County Bar Association, New York State Bar Association, the American Psychological Association and the New York Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. He is also the co-chair of the Neuroscience and the Law Committee.

Dr. Goldman has appeared on Anderson Cooper, Fox News. His work has been featured on CNN, the Erin Burnett Show, Fox and Friends and the Today Show and Dr. Phil.

He has co-authored a book about forgiveness with Victoria Ruvolo, titled "No Room for Vengeance in Justice and Healing", available in bookstores or online.







We are pleased to announce the formation of Psychological Restorative Solutions, P.C., which will offer a Suffolk County Court mandated program called "TASTE", copyright 2003. This program can used as part of the plea bargain process and can be prior to and after sentencing!

#### Contact Us!

If you think this program could help, please contact us at 499-7869.
If you are willing to participate in the program, we can provide that information in writing, at no charge.

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- Supervising Judge David Fruendlich Suffolk Family Court

### T.A.S.T.E.

Thinking Errors
Anger Management
Social Skills
Talking Empathy

## What are the goals of the TASTE Program?

The goals of the TASTE Program are to make the criminal event a learning process in which the participant can:

- 1. Learn accountability by identifying the thinking errors.
- 2. Develop competency by learning to control <u>anger</u>.
- 3. Develop the necessary <u>social skills</u> to repair the harm.
- 4. Promote safety by becoming part of the solution.

# Who is the eligible for the TASTE Program?

There are no exclusions except for sex crimes.

# How many sessions is the TASTE Program?

It is a four-session program that runs approximately one hour each. Participation in the program can be preplea, or post-plea. It can be conditional of an ACOD, and it can also be part of a sentence (probation, interim probation or Conditional Discharge). Participation may also be based as an alternative to incarceration or as part of a violation of probation.

#### Who can make the referral?

The Assistant District Attorney, Defense Counsel and the Judge.

#### How is the referral made?

The referral can be made prior to court or in the courtroom, just by calling us at 631-499-7869. You can also fill out the referral form that is available in court or on our website.

#### What type of crimes?

The crimes can include property crimes such as criminal mischief, graffiti, and petit larceny. The crimes can also include harassment, assault cases, driving while intoxicated offenses and also drug offenses. This list is not limited to the abovementioned crimes. The only exclusions are sexual offenses.

# How will the Court/DA know of Compliance?

The participant will sign a release for attendance purposes only and we will provide a certificate of completion that can be faxed to the Judge, DA and defense consul. We will also appear in court on the date the participant is to have completed the program.

### Where is the program offered?

At the institute for rational counseling 30 Floyd Run, Bohemia, NY. They are an *OASAS Certified Center* that has additional therapeutic services, such as ANGER ABATEMENT CLASS. We also have an east end location at 655 Flanders Road, Flanders NY.

#### What are the costs?

The program cost \$200.00. The cost for those represented by legal aid or 18B is \$60.00.

#### How is the program delivered?

The program is delivered in a group format

### Who leads the group?

Mental Health Professionals, including Robert Goldman, JD, Psy.D. There will also be guest speakers, such as Victoria Ruvolo.