

Curriculum Vitae

Nicholas Scurich

Department of Psychological Science
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Education

Ph.D. Psychology, University of Southern California, May, 2012.
Dissertation: The Dynamics of Reasonable Doubt
Advisor: Richard S. John

M.A. Psychology, University of Southern California, December, 2009.

B.A. Psychology, University of Southern California, *Cum Laude*, May, 2007.

Work Experience

Department of Psychological Science (50%), University of California-Irvine,
Chair, July 2023-
Professor, July 2021-
Vice Chair, July 2019-2022
Associate Professor, July 2016-2021
Assistant Professor, July 2012-2016

Department of Criminology, Law & Society (50%), University of California-Irvine,
Professor, July 2021-
Associate Professor, July 2016-2021
Assistant Professor, July 2012-2016

Professor, by courtesy, School of Law, University of California-Irvine, February 2014-

UC College of Law, San Francisco (formerly Hastings College of Law)
Visiting Research Professor, Spring 2023

Gould School of Law, University of Southern California
Visiting Research Professor, Fall 2022

Awards and Honors

Saleem Shah Early Career Award, American Psychological Association (Division 41)
and American Academy of Forensic Psychology, March, 2015.

Rising star award, Association for Psychological Science, March, 2013.

PhD Achievement Award, USC (university-wide competition), May, 2012.

Oscar M. Ruebhausen Travel Grant to Yale Law School, November, 2010.

Mental Health Law Fellow, Saks Institute for Mental Health Law, Ethics and Policy, Gould School of Law, 2010-11.

USC College of Letters, Arts and Sciences College Merit Fellowship, 2007-12.

USC Undergraduate Symposium for Scholarly and Creative Work in Social Sciences, Honorable Mention, 2007.

Departmental Honors in Psychology, 2007.

Publications

Journal Articles (* = graduate student)

- J73. **Scurich, N.**, Faigman, D.L., & Albright, T. (in press). Scientific guidelines for evaluating the validity of forensic feature-comparisons methods. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.
- J72. **Scurich, N.**, (in press). Female perpetrators of child sexual abuse in the United States. Journal of Criminal Psychology.
- J71. John, R.S., Dillon-Merril, R.L., Burns, W, & **Scurich, N.** (in press). Partitioning the expected value of countermeasures with an application to terrorism. Decision Analysis.
- J70. **Scurich, N.**, & John, R.S. (in press). Three-way ROCs for forensic decision making. Statistics & Public Policy.
- J69. **Scurich, N.**, & Krauss, D.A. (2023). Risk assessment of child-pornography-exclusive offenders. Law and Human Behavior, 47(4), 499-509.
- J68. **Scurich, N.**, & Stern, H. (2023). Commentary on: Monson KL, Smith ED, Peters EM. "Accuracy of comparison decisions by forensic firearms examiners." Journal of Forensic Sciences, 68(3), 1093-1094.
- J67. Shaw, E.V.*, Lynch, M. & **Scurich, N.** (in press). Juror perceptions of incentivized informant testimony. Psychology, Crime and Law.
- J66. **Scurich, N.**, Guney, S., & Dietz, P.E. (2023). Hindsight bias in the detection of child sexual abuse. Journal of Sexual Aggression, 29(1), 103-117.
- J65. **Scurich, N.** (2022). Inconclusives in firearm error rate studies are not "a pass". Law, Probability, and Risk, 21(2), 123-126.

- J64. Faigman, D.L., **Scurich, N.**, & Albright, T. (2022). The field of firearms identification is flawed. Scientific American.
- J63. **Scurich, N.**, Garrett, B.L., & Thompson, R.M. (2022). Surveying practicing firearm examiners. Forensic Science International: Synergy, 4, 1-8.
- J62. Hardin, K.* & **Scurich, N.** (2022). The dark figure of violence committed by discharged psychiatric inpatients. Journal of Forensic Practice, 24(3), 229-240.
- J61. **Scurich, N.** & Gongola, J.* (2021). Prevalence of polymorphism (“crossover”) among sexual offenders. Journal of Criminal Justice, 77, 1-11.
- J60. **Scurich, N.**, & Appelbaum, P.S., (2021). *State v Yopez*: Admissibility and relevance of behavioral genetic evidence in a criminal trial. Psychiatric Services, 72(7), 853-855.
- J59. Garcia, R.J.*, Shaw, E.V.* & **Scurich, N.** (2021). Normative and informational influence in group decision making: Effects of majority opinion and anonymity on voting behavior and belief change. Group Dynamics: Theory, Research, and Practice, 25(4), 319-333.
- J58. **Scurich, N.** & Dror, I.E. (2020). Continued confusion about inconclusives and error rates: Reply to Weller and Morris. Forensic Science International: Synergy, 2, 703-704.
- J57. **Scurich, N.** (2020). Introduction to this special issue on underreporting of sexual abuse. Behavioral Sciences & Law, 38(4), 537-542.
- J56. Dror, I.E., & **Scurich, N.** (2020). (Mis)use of scientific measurement in forensic science. Forensic Science International: Synergy, 2, 333-338.
- Over 11,000 downloads as of 4/2022
 - Covered in: <https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2020/12/forensic-science-accuracy-firearm-fingerprint-comparisons.html>
- J55. Garrett, B.L., & **Scurich, N.**, Croizer, W. (2020). Mock jurors’ evaluation of firearm examiner testimony. Law and Human Behavior, 44(5), 412-423.
- J54. **Scurich, N.** & Krauss, D.A. (2020). Public’s views of risk assessment algorithms and pretrial decision making. Psychology, Public Policy, and Law, 26(1), 1-9.
- J53. Skeem, J., **Scurich, N.** & Monahan, J. (2020). Impact of risk assessment on judges’ fairness in sentencing relatively poor defendants. Law and Human Behavior, 44(1), 51-59.
- J52. **Scurich, N.** & John, R.S. (2019). The dark figure of sexual recidivism. Behavioral Sciences & Law, 37, 158-175.
- Top downloaded article in journal (Jan 2019- Dec 2020)
 - cited by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in *Commonwealth v. Torsilieri*, 2020
 - cited by the Supreme Court of Michigan in *State of Michigan v. Betts*, 2021

- J51. Thompson, W.C., & **Scurich, N.** (2019). How cross-examination on subjectivity and bias affects jurors' evaluations of forensic science evidence. Journal of Forensic Sciences, (64)5, 1379-1388.
- selected by Editor-in-chief and Associate Editors of journal as a "2019 noteworthy article"
- J50. Gongola, J.*, **Scurich, N.**, & Lyon, T.D. (2019). Effects of the putative confession instruction on perceptions of children's true and false statements. Applied Cognitive Psychology, 33, 655-691.
- J49. Thompson, W.C., & **Scurich, N.** (2018). When does absence of evidence constitute evidence of absence? Forensic Science International, 291, 18-19.
- J48. Shaw, E.V.*, **Scurich, N.**, & Faigman, D.L. (2018). Intellectual disability, the death penalty, and jurors. Jurimetrics Journal, 58, 437-548.
- J47. Baucum, M.*, **Scurich, N.**, & John, R.S. (2018). Lay judgments of the probable cause standard. Law, Probability, and Risk, 17(3), 225-242.
- J46. Garrett, B., Mitchell, G, & **Scurich, N.**, (2018). Comparing categorical and probabilistic fingerprint evidence. Journal of Forensic Sciences, 63(6), 1712-1717.
- J45. Grady, B.*, Reiser, L.*, Garcia, R.*, Konu, C.*, & **Scurich, N.**, (2018). Impact of gruesome photographic evidence on legal decisions: A meta-analysis. Psychiatry, Psychology and Law, 25(4), 503-521.
- J44. **Scurich, N.**, (2018). Styles of argumentation in judicial opinions (legitimizing judicial decisions). Annual Review of Law and Social Science, 14, 205-218.
- J43. Krauss, D.A., Gongola, J.*, **Scurich, N.**, Busch, B.* (2018) Mental state at time of offense in the hot tub: An empirical examination of concurrent expert testimony in an insanity case. Behavioral Sciences & Law, 36, 358-372.
- J42. **Scurich, N.**, (2018). The case against categorical risk estimates. Behavioral Sciences & Law, 36, 554-564.
- J41. **Scurich, N.**, (2018). What do experimental simulations tell us about the effect of neuro/genetic evidence on jurors? Journal of Law and the Biosciences, 5(1), 204-207.
- J40. Teitcher, J.*, & **Scurich, N.** (2017). On informing jurors of potential sanctions. Law & Human Behavior, 41(6), 579-587.
- J39. **Scurich, N.**, & Appelbaum, P.S., (2017). Behavioral genetics in criminal court. Nature Human Behaviour, 1, 772-774.
- J38. Thompson, W.C., **Scurich, N.**, Dioso-Villa, R.*, & Velazquez, B.* (2017). Evaluating negative forensic evidence: When do jurors treat absence of evidence as evidence of absence?. Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, 14(3), 569-591.

- J37. Dickerson, K. *, Linder, S. *, Quas, J., & **Scurich, N.** (2017). When is neglect, neglect? It depends on who you ask. Child Maltreatment, *22*(3), 256-264.
- J36. Renner, M. *, Newark, C. *, Bartos, B.J. *, McCleary, R., & **Scurich, N.** (2017). Length of Stay for 25,791 California Patients Found Incompetent to Stand Trial. Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine, *51*, 22-26.
- J35. **Scurich, N.**, & John, R.S. (2017). Jurors' presumption of innocence. Journal of Legal Studies, *46*, 187-206.
- J34. Gongola, J. *, Krauss, D.A., & **Scurich, N.** (2017). Life without parole for juvenile offenders: Public sentiments. Psychology, Public Policy, and Law, *23*(1), 96-104.
- J33. Gongola, J. *, **Scurich, N.**, & Quas, J., (2017). Deception detection in children: A meta-analysis. Law & Human Behavior, *41*(1), 44-54.
- J32. Bartos, B.J. *, Renner, M. *, Newark, C. *, McCleary, R., & **Scurich, N.** (2017). Characteristics of forensic patients in California with Dementia/Alzheimer's Disease. Journal of Forensic Nursing, *13*(2), 77-80.
- J31. Greenspan, R. *, & **Scurich, N.**, (2016). The interdependence of perceived confession voluntariness and case evidence. Law & Human Behavior *40*(6), 650-659.
- J30. Dunbar, A. *, Kubrin, C.E., & **Scurich, N.**, (2016). The threatening nature of "rap" lyrics. Psychology, Public Policy, and Law, *22*(3), 280-292.
- Cited by the United States Supreme Court in *Counterman v. Colorado*, No. 22-138 (U.S. June 27, 2023).
- J29. **Scurich, N.**, Gongola, J. *, & Krauss, D.A., (2016). The biasing effect of the "Sexually Violent Predator" label on legal decisions. International Journal of Law and Psychiatry, *47*, 109-114.
- J28. **Scurich, N.**, & Appelbaum, P.S., (2016). The blunt-edged sword: Genetic explanations of misbehavior neither mitigate nor aggravate punishment. Journal of Law and the Biosciences, *3*(1), 140-157.
- J27. Ridinger, G. *, John, R.S., McBride, M., & **Scurich, N.** (2016). Attacker deterrence and perceived risk in a Stackelberg security game. Risk Analysis, *36*(8), 1666-1681.
- J26. **Scurich, N.**, Nguyen, K. *, & John, R.S. (2016). Quantifying the presumption of innocence. Law, Probability, and Risk, *15*(1), 71-86.
- J25. **Scurich, N.**, & Monahan, J. (2016). Evidence-based sentencing: Public openness and opposition to using gender, age, and race as risk factors for recidivism. Law & Human Behavior, *40*(1), 36-41.
- J24. **Scurich, N.** (2015). The effect of numeracy and anecdotes on the perceived fallibility of forensic science. Psychiatry, Psychology & Law, *22*(4), 616-623.

- J23. **Scurich, N.**, Krauss, D.A., Reiser, L.* , Garcia, R.* & Deer, L.* (2015). Venire jurors' perceptions of adversarial allegiance. Psychology, Public Policy, and Law, 21(2), 161-168.
- J22. Hilton, N.Z., **Scurich, N.**, & Helmus, L.M.* (2015). Communicating the risk of violent and offending behavior: Review and introduction to this special issue. Behavioral Sciences & the Law, 33(1), 1-18.
- J21. Appelbaum, P.S., **Scurich, N.**, & Radd, R. (2015). Effects of behavioral genetic evidence on perceptions of criminal responsibility and appropriate punishment. Psychology, Public Policy, and Law, 21(2), 134-144.
- J20. Singh, J.P., Yang, S., Mulvey, E.P., **Scurich, N.**, et al. (2015). Reporting guidance for violence risk assessment predictive validity studies: The RAGEE statement. Law & Human Behavior, 39(1), 15-22.
- J19. **Scurich, N.**, & Shniderman, A.* (2014). The selective allure of neuroscientific explanations. PLoS ONE, 9(9), 1-6.
- J18. **Scurich, N.** & Krauss, D.A. (2014). The presumption of dangerousness in sexually violent predator commitment proceedings. Law, Probability, and Risk, 13, 91-104.
- J17. Appelbaum, P.S., & **Scurich, N.** (2014). Impact of behavioral genetic evidence on the adjudication of criminal behavior. Journal of the American Academy of Psychiatry & the Law, 42(1), 91-100.
- J16. Krauss, D.A. & **Scurich, N.** (2014). The impact of case factors on jurors' decisions in a sexual violent predator hearing. Psychology, Public Policy, and Law, 20(2), 135-145.
- J15. **Scurich, N.** & John, R.S. (2014). Perceptions of randomized security schedules. Risk Analysis, 34(4), 765-770.
- J14. Simon, D., & **Scurich, N.** (2013). The effect of legal expert commentary on lay judgments of judicial decision making. Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, 10(4), 799-816.
- J13. **Scurich, N.** & John, R.S. (2013). Mock jurors' use of error rates in DNA database trawls. Law & Human Behavior, 37(6), 424-431.
- J12. **Scurich, N.** & Krauss, D.A. (2013). The effect of adjusted actuarial risk assessment on mock-jurors' decisions in a sexual predator commitment proceeding. Jurimetrics Journal, 53, 395-413.
- J11. Krauss, D.A., & **Scurich, N.** (2013). Risk assessment in the law: Legal admissibility, scientific validity, and some disparities between research and practice. Behavioral Sciences & the Law, 31(2), 215-229.
- J10. **Scurich, N.** (2013). Questioning child witnesses. The Jury Expert, 25(1), 12-16.

- J9. Lyon, T.D., **Scurich, N.**, Handmaker, S., & Blank, R. (2012). How did you feel? Increasing child sexual abuse witnesses' production of evaluative information. Law & Human Behavior, 36(5), 448-457.
- J8. **Scurich, N.**, & John, R.S. (2012). A Bayesian approach to the group versus individual prediction controversy in actuarial risk assessment. Law & Human Behavior, 36(3), 237-246.
- J7. Lyon, T.D., Ahern, E.C., & **Scurich, N.** (2012). Interviewing children vs. tossing coins: Accurately assessing the diagnosticity of children's disclosures of abuse. Journal of Child Sexual Abuse, 21, 19-44.
- J6. **Scurich, N.**, Monahan, J., & John, R.S. (2012). Innumeracy and unpacking: Bridging the nomothetic/ideographic divide in violence risk assessment. Law & Human Behavior, 36(6), 548-554.
- J5. **Scurich, N.**, & John, R.S. (2012). Prescriptive approaches to communicating the risk of violence in actuarial risk assessment. Psychology, Public Policy, and Law, 18(1), 50-78.
- J4. Simon, D., & **Scurich, N.** (2011). Lay judgments of judicial decision-making. Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, 8(4), 709-727.
- J3. **Scurich, N.**, & John, R.S. (2011). Trawling genetic databases: When a DNA match is *just* a naked statistic. Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, 8(s1), 49-71.
- J2. **Scurich, N.** & John, R.S. (2011). The effect of framing actuarial risk probabilities on involuntary commitment decisions. Law & Human Behavior, 35(2), 83-91.
- J1. **Scurich, N.**, & John, R.S. (2010). The normative threshold for psychiatric civil commitment. Jurimetrics Journal, 50(4), 425-452.

Book Chapters

- BC4. **Scurich, N.**, Dietz, P. (2023). Psychological barriers to the detection of child sexual abuse. In D. DeMatteo & K. Scherr (eds.) The Oxford Handbook of Psychology and Law (pp. 643-654). New York: Oxford University Press.
- BC3. Shaw, E.V.*, Gongola, J.*, Teitcher, J.*, & **Scurich, N.** (2019). The probative value of emotional affect in homicide investigations. In R. Bull, & I Blandon-Gitlin, (eds.) Handbook of legal and investigative psychology (pp. 70-83). New York: Routledge
- BC2. **Scurich, N.** (2016). An introduction to the assessment of violence risk. In J.P. Singh, S. Bjorkly, & S. Fazel, (eds.) International perspectives on violence risk assessment (pp. 3-15). New York: Oxford University Press.
- BC1. **Scurich, N.** (2016). Structured risk assessment and legal decision making. In M. Miller and B.H. Bornstein (eds.) Advances in psychology and law (pp 159-183). American Psychological Association.

Law Review Articles

- LR7. Garrett, B., Tucker, E.* & **Scurich, N.** (forthcoming). Judging firearms evidence. Southern California Law Review, 97.
- LR6. **Scurich, N.** (2017). Juvenile murderers and “national consensus.” Harvard Law and Policy Review (Online), 12, 1-7.
- LR5. Garrett, B., Krauss, D.A., & **Scurich, N.** (2017). Capital jurors in an era of death penalty decline. Yale Law Journal Forum, 126, 417-430.
- LR4. **Scurich, N.** (2015). Criminal justice policy preferences: Blackstone ratios and the veil of ignorance. Stanford Law & Policy Review (Online), 26, 23-35.
- LR3. Simon, D., & **Scurich, N.** (2013). Judicial overstating. Chicago-Kent Law Review, 88(2), 411-431.
- LR2. **Scurich, N.** & John, R.S. (2012). Constraints on restraints: A Signal Detection analysis of the use of mechanical restraints on adult psychiatric inpatients. Southern California Review of Law and Social Justice, 21(1), 75-107.
- LR1. **Scurich, N.** (2010). Interpretive arguments of forensic match evidence: An evidentiary analysis. Dartmouth Law Journal, 8(2), 31-47.

Conference Proceedings (peer reviewed)

- C1. John, R.S., Dillon, R., Burns, W., & **Scurich, N.** (2022). A framework for estimating the value of deterrence. Proceedings of the Sixteenth International Conference on Probabilistic Safety Assessment and Management PSAM

Technical Reports

- TR2. **Scurich, N.**, John, R.S., & Burns, W.J., (2019). Enhancing aviation security through the use of Signal Detection Theory. Commissioned by the United States Department of Homeland Security (2017-ST-061-QA0001).
- TR1. Burns, W.J., Dillon-Merrill, R., John, R.S., & **Scurich, N.** (2016). Dynamic aviation risk management solutions (DARMS): Research study to demonstrate a proof-of-concept. Commissioned by the United States Department of Homeland Security (BOA: HSHQDC-15-J-00375). Classified document. Authorship determined alphabetically.

Other

- O1. Scurich, N. & Appelbaum, P. (2018). Do genes make you responsible for murder, second-degree murder or manslaughter?. Orange County Register. Available at: <https://www.ocregister.com/2018/12/29/do-genes-make-you-of-murder-second-degree-murder-or-manslaughter/>

Funding

Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Science (CSAFE)	Co-PI	~\$530,455 (Direct)	7/1/2020	6/30/2024
Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Science (CSAFE)	Co-PI	\$106,091 (Direct)	9/1/2018	6/30/2020
Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Science (CSAFE)	Co-PI	\$35,163 (Direct)	4/1/2018	8/1/2018
Department of Homeland Security / 2017-ST-061-QA0001	PI	\$494,393 (Direct)	10/1/2017	10/1/2019
University of California Consortium on Law and Social Science	PI	\$15,000 (Direct)	6/1/2016	12/1/2016
State of California, Dept. of State Hospitals	Co-PI	\$392,300 (Total)	1/1/2015	6/1/2016
Department of Homeland Security / BOA: HSHQDC-15-J-00375	PI	\$51,014 (Direct)	8/1/2015	2/2/2016
NIH - National Institutes of Health / 1P50HG007257-01	Co-PI	\$113,720 (Direct)	8/1/2013	8/1/2016

Invited Colloquium Presentations

USC Gould School of Law (November, 2022)

Duke University School of Law (March, 2022)

University of California—Irvine, Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Science Evidence workshop (January, 2020)

Columbia University (December, 2019)

University of California—Irvine, Center for Psychology & Law, Views by two on the use of genetic evidence in court with Dr. Joseph Wu (November, 2018)

University of California Los Angeles, Anderson School of Management (April, 2017)

Center for Law and Social Science (CLASS), USC Gould School of Law (August, 2016)

Istanbul Bilgi University, Department of Psychology (May, 2016)

Columbia University Medical Center, Workshop on Genes, Brains, and Responsibility (May, 2015)

American Psychology—Law Society Conference, Saleem Shah Address (March, 2015)

University of California—Irvine, Center for Psychology & Law, Views by two on the insanity defense with Dr. Park Dietz (February, 2015)

University of Chicago School of Law, Workshop on Judicial Behavior (November, 2012)

Chicago-Kent College of Law, the Supreme Court and the American Public Symposium (November, 2012)

Information Sciences Institute, Behavioral Game Theory Symposium (September, 2012)

USC Gould School of Law, Symposium on Mechanical Restraints (March, 2012)

USC Gould School of Law, Child-interviewing seminar (March, 2010)

Professional Trainings

National Forensic College, Cardozo Law School, New York NY (June, 2022).

Association of Paroling Authorities International, San Diego CA (May, 2022)

National Forensic College, virtual (July, 2021).

National Forensic College, Cardozo Law School, New York NY (July, 2020).

Transportation Security Authority, Summit Meeting, Phoenix AZ (June, 2019).

National Forensic College, Cardozo Law School New York NY (June, 2019).

National Forensic College, Cardozo Law School New York NY (June, 2018).

California Attorneys for Criminal Justice & California Public Defenders Association's Capital Case Defense Seminar, Monterey (February, 2018)

Department of Homeland Security, Washington DC (September, 2017).

Transportation Security Authority, Washington DC (December, 2015).

National Forensic College, Cardozo Law School New York NY (June, 2015).

California Board of Parole Psychologists, Forensic Assessment Division (October, 2014)

Refereed Research Presentations

John, R.S., Dillon, R., Burns, W., & Scurich, N. (June, 2022). A framework for estimating the value of deterrence. Paper presented at Probabilistic Safety Assessment and Management PSAM, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Scurich, N., (January, 2022). Litigating the science and admissibility of firearm and toolmark evidence. Association of American Law Schools. (virtual conference)

Scurich, N., (December, 2021). Panel discussant: Do court reminders reduce failures to appear in court?. Empirical Criminal Law Roundtable, Duke Law School. (virtual conference)

Scurich, N., (August, 2021). Panel discussant: Addressing individual variation to improve the analysis of forensic evidence. The American Statistical Association—Joint Statistical Meeting. (virtual conference)

Scurich, N., Guney, S., & Dietz, P.E. (July, 2021). Hindsight bias in the detection of child sexual abuse. Paper presented at the Society for Applied Research in Memory and Cognition. (virtual conference)

Gongola, J.*, & Scurich, N. (March, 2020). Venire jurors' ability and willingness to disclose bias. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Teitcher, J.*, & Scurich, N. (March, 2020). Do jurors use non-identifications appropriately? Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Scurich, N. (November, 2019). Impact of risk assessment on judges' fairness in sentencing relatively poor defendants. Paper presented at the Conference for Empirical Legal Studies, Claremont Colleges.

Teitcher, J.*, & Scurich, N. (March, 2019). Jurors' perceptions of the probative value of non-identifications. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Portland, OR.

Gongola, J.*, & Scurich, N. (March, 2019). Do consequences matter? The effects of punishment severity on real and hypothetical decisions. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Portland, OR.

Thompson, W.C., & Scurich, N. (June, 2018) Jurors' reactions to testimony about contextual bias: subjectivity, blinding, and expert credibility. Poster presentation at the Iowa State Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Evidence, Ames, IA.

Teitcher, J.*, & Scurich, N. (May, 2018) Jurors' perceptions of the probative value of non-identifications. Poster Presentation at the Association for Psychological Science annual conference, San Francisco, CA.

Shaw, E.V*, Scurich, N., & Faigman, D.L. (March, 2018). Juror perceptions of intellectual disability in capital cases. Paper presentation at the American Psychology-Law Society conference, Memphis, TN.

Gongola, J.*, Busch, B., Faruquee, S., Kellerman, K., Lawson, K., Wilson, G., Krauss, D.A., & Scurich, N. (March, 2018). MSO in the hot tub: An empirical examination of concurrent expert testimony in an insanity case. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Memphis, TN.

Scurich, N. (October, 2017). Behavioral genetics and judgments of culpability. Paper presentation at the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law conference, Denver, CO.

Shaw, E.V.*, Scurich, N. & Faigman, D.L. (March, 2017). Too disabled to die: Intellectual disability in capital cases. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Seattle, WA. *won award for most outstanding student presentation in legal research*

Baucum, M.*, John, R.S., & Scurich, N. (March, 2017). Lay perceptions of the probable cause standard. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Seattle, WA.

Gongola, J.*, Krauss, D., & Scurich, N. (March, 2017). Life without parole for juvenile offenders: Public sentiments. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Seattle, WA.

Linder, S.*, Dickerson, K.*, Scurich, N. & Quas, J. (March, 2017). Lay perceptions of child neglect: Holding mothers and fathers accountable. Poster presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Seattle, WA.

Teitcher, J.*, & Scurich, N. (February, 2017) Criminal punishment: Are jurors 'under the influence'? Paper presented at the Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

John, R.S., & Scurich, N. (February, 2017) Prior expectations of future evidence. Paper presented at the Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

John, R.S., & Scurich, N. (November, 2016). The influence of priors during criminal investigation on posterior likelihood of guilt and verdict. Poster presented at the Psychonomic Society annual meeting, Boston, MA.

John, R.S., & Scurich, N. (November, 2016). The influence of priors during criminal investigation on posterior likelihood of guilt and verdict. Poster presented at the Society for Judgment and Decision Making annual meeting, Boston, MA.

Gongola, J.*, Scurich, N. & Quas, J. (March, 2016). Detecting deception in children: A meta analysis. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Gongola, J.*, & Scurich, N. (March, 2016). Effects of the putative confession instruction on perceptions of child veracity. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Reiser, L.* & Scurich, N. (March, 2016). Jurors' (lack of) sensitivity to false positive evidence regarding DNA identifications. Poster presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Dunbar, A.*, Kurbin, C., & Scurich, N. (March, 2016). The influence of rap music stereotypes on inferences of criminal threat. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Atlanta, GA.

John, R.S., & Scurich, N. (March, 2016). Jurors' presumption of innocence: Impact on cumulative evidence evaluation and verdicts. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Atlanta, GA.

John, R.S., & Scurich, N. (December, 2015). Individual risk assessment for terrorism. Paper presented at the Society for Risk Analysis Conference, Arlington, VA. Symposium on: Aviation security with dynamic risk management.

Scurich, N. (November, 2015). Quantifying the presumption of innocence. Paper presented at the Conference for Empirical Legal Studies, Washington University School of Law School.

Reiser, L. * & Scurich, N. (March, 2015). The impact of narrative consistency on jurors' utilization of DNA error rates. Poster presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, San Diego, CA.

Reiser, L. *, Garcia, R. J. *, Deer, L., Scurich, N., Krauss, D. A. (March, 2015). An empirical examination of venire jurors' perceptions of adversarial allegiance. Paper presented at the American Psychology-Law Society, San Diego, CA

Greenspan, R.L. * & Scurich, N. (March, 2015). The non-independence of perceived voluntariness of confessions. Poster presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

John, R. S., Nguyen, K.*, & Scurich, N. (March, 2015) Quantifying presumption of innocence. Paper presented at the Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

Reiser, L. * & Scurich, N. (February, 2015). Narrative vs. numeracy in jurors' utilization of DNA evidence. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, Long Beach, CA.

Scurich, N. & Krauss, D.A. (March, 2014). The presumption of dangerousness in sexually violent predator commitment proceedings. Paper presented at the American Psychology and Law Society Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Javorka, M.*, Cluff, A.*, Jensen, A.*, Krauss, D., & Scurich, N. (March, 2014). Legal and extra-legal factors' influence on SVP civil commitment verdicts. Poster presented at the American Psychology and Law Society Conference, New Orleans, LA.

John, R. S. & Scurich, N. (December, 2013). Public perceptions and trade-offs related to randomized security schedules. Paper presented at the Society for Risk Analysis annual meeting, Baltimore, Maryland.

Scurich, N. (November, 2013). The presumption of innocence and the involuntary bookmaker. Paper presented at the Conference for Empirical Legal Studies, University of Pennsylvania Law School.

John, R. S., Scurich, N., & Lee, R.* (November, 2013). The good, the bad, and the ugly: Quantifying presumption of innocence in relation to criminal stereotypes and types of crime. Poster presented at the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Toronto, Canada.

Scurich, N. (September, 2013). Judicial overstating. Paper presented at Socio-legal workshop, UCI School of Law.

Krauss, D.A., & Scurich, N. (August, 2013). Risk assessment in the law: Legal admissibility, scientific validity, and some disparities between research and practice. Paper presented at the American Psychological Conference, Honolulu, HI.

Scurich, N. (June, 2013). A normative model of violence risk communication. Symposium presentation at the Canadian Psychological Association Conference, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada.

John, R. S. & Scurich, N. (June, 2013). Public perceptions of randomized security strategies. Paper presented at the Workshop on Human Behavior and Security (SHB-2013), Los Angeles, CA.

Scurich, N. & Krauss, D.A. (March, 2013). The effect of adjusted actuarial risk assessment on mock jurors' decisions in a sexual predator commitment proceeding. Paper presented at the American Psychology and Law Society Conference, Portland, OR.

Scurich, N. (February, 2013) Here's a number, use it maybe. Paper presented at Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

John, R. S. & Scurich, N. (February, 2013). Randomized security: A deal too good to be true. Paper presented at the Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, California.

Simon, D., & Scurich, N. (November, 2012) Lay judgments of legal decision-making: The ineffectiveness of legal expert opinions. Paper presented at the Conference for Empirical Legal Studies, Stanford Law School.

John, R. S., Scurich, N. & Scotti, A.* (November, 2012). The effects of database type and forensic laboratory error rates on the probative value of DNA evidence in a cold case. Poster presented at the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Minneapolis, MN.

Scurich, N., Monahan, J., & John, R.S. (March, 2012) Innumeracy and unpacking: Bridging the nomothetic/idiographic divide in violence risk assessment. Paper presented at the American Psychology and Law Society Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Scurich, N. & John, R.S. (March, 2012) Constraints on restraints: A Signal Detection analysis of the use of mechanical restraints on adult psychiatric inpatients. Paper

presented at the American Psychology and Law Society Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico

Scurich, N. (January, 2012) I'm not quite sure what doubt means. Paper presented at Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

Scurich, N., & Lyon, T.D. (April, 2011) How did you feel? Increasing child sexual abuse witness's production of evaluative information. Paper presented at the Western Psychological Association conference. Los Angeles, CA.

Scurich, N. (March, 2011) How "cold hit" DNA matches affect the perception of guilt and the interpretation of non-genetic evidence. Poster presented at the American Psychology and Law Society Conference, Miami, FL.

Scurich, N. (January, 2011) DNA database trawls: Frequentists, Bayesians, and jurors. Paper presented at the Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

Scurich, N., & Simon, D. (November, 2010) Lay judgments of judicial decisions. Paper presented at the Conference for Empirical Legal Studies, Yale Law School.

John, R.S, & Scurich, N. (November, 2010) Trawling genetic databases: When a DNA match is *just* a naked statistic. Paper presented at the Conference for Empirical Legal Studies, Yale Law School.

Scurich, N. (November, 2010) Genetic database trawls and the expectation of corroborating evidence: An account of the Wells Effect. Paper presented at the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, St. Louis, MO.

Scurich, N., Handmaker, S., Blank, R., & Lyon, T.D. (March, 2010) Eliciting evaluative information from child witnesses in sexual abuse prosecution: The effects of question type. Paper presented at American Psychology and Law Society Conference, Vancouver, Canada.

Scurich, N. (January, 2010) Dangerous decisions come from within. Paper presented at Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

Scurich, N. (November, 2009) Actuarial risk assessment, risk communication and involuntary civil commitment decisions. Poster presented at the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Boston, MA.

Scurich, N., & John, R. (March, 2009) Formal psychiatric civil commitment decisions. Paper presented at American Psychology and Law Society Conference, San Antonio, TX.

Scurich, N. (January, 2009) Bayes says you're probably crazy. Paper presented at Edwards Bayesian Research Conference, Fullerton, CA.

Scurich, N. (May, 2007) Applying values to actuarial predictions of violence. Poster presented at Stanford Undergraduate Psychology Conference, Palo Alto, CA.

Teaching Experience

PSB193e/CLS105: Psychology and Law (undergraduate)
SE195: Field Study (undergraduate)
PSB266/CLS275: Psychology and Law (graduate seminar)
PSB100/CLS100: Forensic Psychology (undergraduate)
P201: Advanced Research Methods (graduate)
P222: Forensic Assessment (graduate)

Professional Affiliations

American Psychology-Law Society
Society for Judgment and Decision Making
Society for Empirical Legal Studies
Western Psychological Association
Association for Psychological Science

Editorial Experience

Editorial board member:

Law & Human Behavior, 2013-
Behavioral Sciences & the Law, 2017-

Guest editor:

Behavioral Sciences & the Law (special issue on risk communication, 2015)
Behavioral Sciences & the Law (special issue on sexual abuse, 2020)
Frontiers in Psychiatry (special issue on evidence-based frameworks of assessment and treatment in forensic psychiatry practice, 2023)

Ad hoc reviewer for:

National Science Foundation
American Psychology-Law Society
Oxford University Press
Worth Publishers
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Criminal Justice & Behavior
Journal of Legal Studies
Child Abuse & Neglect
Sexual Abuse: A Journal of Research and Treatment
Behavioral Sciences & the Law
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Journal of Experimental Social Psychology
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PLoS ONE
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Justice Quarterly

Translational Issues in Psychological Science
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Jurimetrics Journal
Journal of the American Medical Association
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Journal of Experimental Criminology
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Journal of Forensic Sciences
Behavior Genetics
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