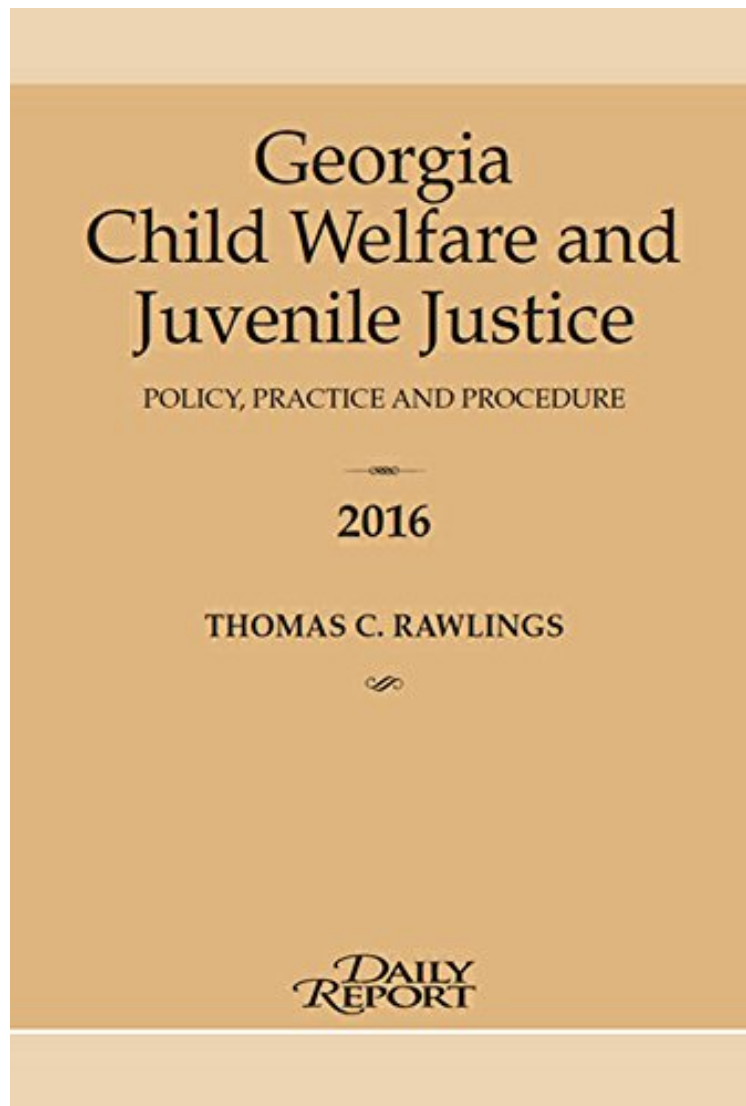


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From the Author
The children and families with whom we interact are seldom what they appear to be at face value; rather, they come to us as a bundle of experiences, many of them traumatic, that we must use all of our skills to decipher. We need investigators to determine their histories; evaluators to determine their family situations, strengths, and needs; therapists and social workers to determine where they are broken and how to repair their wounds; attorneys to determine their desires and advocate for them; guardians ad litem to determine their best interests; judges to put everything in context, bring services to bear, and map out their futures; foster parents and family to love them; academics to tell us what the latest research shows; and policymakers and legislators to give us the framework and funding to make all this work possible. Thomas Rawlings