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A MAN FOR ALL REASONS? A Clinical Profile United States Supreme Court Nominee

Judge Brett Michael Kavanaugh

Searching for the truth with s big “T”

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Although forensic examiners have a vast arsenal of tools and techniques to use in investigations, all too often they overlook the clues human behaviors reveal, or, at best, they underutilize the clues. Psychological profiling cannot be empirically tested; as a result, many examiners feel such profiling is unreliable.

However, there are profiling methods that are testable, repeatable, and verifiable. With my experience working with clients, assisting law enforcement and the intelligence community in a very specialized type of profiling, I can say without equivocation that The Goodfield Method™ has been proven consistently reliable and verifiable time and time again when used properly.

Here are the basic ideas associated with The Goodfield Method™, resulting in the observations of Judge Kavanaugh.

To conduct this analysis, what I call the Non-Verbal Leak (NVL) must be established. It is a referential message reflecting the unconscious other-half of the person’s message. The NVL is a repetitive, patterned movement from the shoulders up that reflects unresolved, perceived trauma manifesting old decisions or

strategies from one's past. It is unconscious and visible to others; it is testable. It is a way of looking at the unconscious strategies that the individual presents in his or her total nonverbal behavior.

The Non-Verbal Leak (NVL), which manifest in a person's facial expressions or mannerisms comes from the unconscious, there is absolutely no way an individual can control, modify or prevent its appearance. Accordingly, these signs are consistent, repeatable, and predictable.

The next step is to establish the symbolic meaning of the NVL. This means decoding the nonverbal responses into their unconscious symbolic meaning on three levels: impact, primary emotion, and primary coping strategy. This is the sum total of an individual's interaction regarding the expression of basic emotional strategies.

Non-Verbal Leak (NVL)



SL 1 - Pain/Disbelief
SL 2 - Anger
SL 3 - Control by:
Anger in/out
CER*
Determination
Defiance
Intellectualisation
Distrust
Trance

**Calculated Emotional Response*

SL 1 How the person first perceives an event

SL 2 The basic emotion wanted to be expressed

SL 3 What a person actually does express, not necessarily the way (s)he wants to express based on :

- what he knows
- decides what to do given circumstances and knowledge
- linked to then and there
- becomes the strategy used in similar situation

Unconscious Meaning of the Non-Verbal Leak (NVL)

“I am in pain, I don’t believe what happened to me. I am angry about that. I’m not authorized to express it, so I control it by holding in, and intellectualize the feelings.”

Once assessed, the Symbolic Level (SL) gives a logical and referentially based stepping-stone for deducing the subject’s in one of the 12 Goodfield Personality Type.

The Goodfield Personality Type 3 The Pouncer

This personality type has the following characterization:

- Sense of duty
- If trusted extremely loyal
- Difficulty with criticism
- Feels secure in a group
- Ambivalent risk taking
- Sympathetic
- He prefers to be alone instead of lonely
- Team player
- Puts “team needs” before self
- Duty bound
- Vivid imagination
- Ambivalent about success

Clinical Profile and Discussion

Judge Kavanaugh is an individual who is reflective and introspective. He holds his cards close to his chest. He has a reflective nature that is to say, he listens carefully before coming to any conclusion. Is open to ideas and alternatives.

At the same time he is a person who is very much aware of law and justice with a capital J. He is a person who thrives on intellectual challenge and he is quite capable of arguing both sides of an argument. His openness and good sense of humor makes him a very approachable and likable individual too many.

It would be a mistake to believe that he is not capable of rendering clear and hard decisions when his moral compass dictates that direction. He is a person who has great integrity. He prides himself as being a fair judge of issues and events.

It is more than fair to say he is unbiased in his assessment of issues. His sterling reputation as a jurist is well earned and deserved. He is quite capable of keeping his own counsel. He is a person with an abundance of energy and ability to express it.

As a family man, and a sports enthusiast one could expect to equally see him in sweat pants and a T-shirt running up and down a basketball court or in judicial robes dashing for his seat on the Supreme Court.

His diversity and openness makes him a perfect candidate to tackle the fundamental principles of right and wrong as framed in the constitution of the United States.

One cannot help but notice his commitment to and involvement with his young family. He is a professor with passion and a thinking persons action man. His willingness to serve has always been a hallmark of his approach to life and law.



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Prof. Goodfield is Founding Director of The Goodfield Institute LLC in USA and The Netherlands. He holds a Ph.D. in Psychology and Human Behavior. In 1996 he became President & CEO of The Goodfield Foundation: for the Study of Conflict Communication and Peace Building. And in 2015 Founder/CEO of Operation New Outlook a non-profit corporation helping veterans who are suffering of Post Traumatic Stress.

Till recently Senior Professor at Henley-Putnam University instructing doctoral level students from the intelligence, and counterterrorism community. He is an international lecturer, author and noted radio and television personality.

He holds a US patent on his psychotherapeutic process relating to analyzing the Non-Verbal Leak (NVL).

He shared The Goodfield Method™ with senior corporate executives, attorneys, health care professionals and cabinet level official around the globe.

Various international bodies such as the United Nations (ICTY) and NATO H.Q. Brussels, as well as governments such as the former Soviet Union, The Netherlands, Lithuania, Uzbekistan, Sri Lanka, Sultanate of Oman, Ukraine and Austria have utilized the services and methodology of the Goodfield Institute and Goodfield Foundation.

He has published *Insight and Action: The Role of the Unconscious in Crisis from Personal to International Levels* (1999), *So You Want To Be My President?* (2011), *Relationships: A Survival Guide vol. 1* (2012), *Real Love: A Survival Guide vol. 2* (2015) *Are They Crazy? A detailed psychological profile of ALL 26 presidential candidates for 2016* (2015)

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