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logical approach to juvenile rights is reflected in the right of self-determination regarding treatment. This right is posed in this volume as referring to "individuals of any age in health care decision making respects the autonomy, individuality and privacy." The authors do not seem to consider the effects of autonomy in children who require less autonomy in their lives.

This volume provides much in the way of thought and perhaps argumentative provoking consideration of a "tender" area of the rights of the juvenile. □

CHILD ADVOCACY. PSYCHOLOGICAL ISSUES AND INTERVENTIONS.
By Gary B. Melton. New York: Plenum Press, 1983.

Reviewed by Helen L. Morrison, MD

This volume, accompanying the preceding one, presents the issues related to the topic of child advocacy in a manner that will provide the reader with relevant and clear information appropriate for the legal health care of children.

The author begins this volume with a lucid exposition of the foundations of child advocacy. The impact of advocacy is presented from the child's conceptualization of rights, including a study of school age children that focuses on the competence of the child to understand. The provision of clinical services to enhance development of the child is the hoped-for common goal of intervention. Assumptions underlying advocacy programs are reflected in the diversity of forms in these programs.

Whether advocacy takes the form of manipulating a system for the welfare of one child or involves efforts on behalf of a group of children with similar needs is a point well worth considering in program development.

Administrative, legislative, legal, and psychological advocacy intertwine in this volume. The author should not be cited for failure to speak more directly to the psychology of the child in this model for advocacy program; this area is well presented in other topics in this volume. □

VERY MUCH A LADY: THE UNTOLD STORY OF JEAN HARRIS AND DOCTOR HERMAN TARNOWER. By Shana Alexander. Boston: Little, Brown, 1983, 316 Pp., \$17.50.

Reviewed by Ralph Slovenko, LLB

On February 25, 1981, Jean Harris, the headmistress of an exclusive all-girls boarding school, was found guilty of murder in the second degree in the shooting death of her former lover, Dr. Herman Tarnower, a renowned cardiologist and