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### *Curriculum Vitae*

#### PROFILE

Licensed Psychologist and Clinical Nurse Specialist (psychiatric/mental health) uses her more than 30 years of experience to provide psychological assessments and expert witness consulting in employment, personal injury, civil rights, disability and psychological & medical malpractice cases. Issues addressed include malingering, PTSD (loss, injury, sexual assault), emotional distress, allegations of harassment and discrimination, claimed impairment, and standards of care.

#### EDUCATION

PsyD Doctor of Psychology, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA, 1996

Dissertation: Childhood Abuse in Nurses. Trained in crisis debriefing, assessment and treatment of trauma (PTSD, acute and chronic), individual and group psychotherapy. Private consultation and study included the study of infants and children, the normal processes of development and evaluation of trauma and/or illness, psychological assessment of children and adolescents and the study of the unconscious.

MN Master of Nursing/Clinical Nurse Specialist, University of California, Los Angeles, CA, 1990

Specialty: Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing. Thesis work included a new theoretical model for diagnosis of nursing problems.

BSN Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Consortium of California State Colleges and Universities, 1988

Diploma in Nursing, California Hospital School of Nursing, 1983

Post-graduate training includes: Infant Diagnosis and Psychological Development, Observation of Infants and Children (3 years), Psychological Assessment of Children and Adolescents, Psychoanalytic Theory, and Forensic Psychology

#### LICENSURE

- Licensed Psychologist, Arizona, (Psy 4952 )
- Licensed Psychologist, California (PSY 16001)
- Certified Clinical Nurse Specialist, California (CNS 004)
- Registered Nurse, California (RN363062)
- National Register of Health Service Psychologists
- Qualified Medical Evaluator, California
- Content Expert, California Board of Psychology
- Expert Witness, California Board of Registered Nursing, Arizona Board of Nursing
- Public Health Nurse, California

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

*Private Practice, Licensed Psychologist, Clinical Nurse Specialist, 1996-Present*

Complex psychological assessment including the analysis of medical and psychiatric records and data related to a person's (child/adult) behavior or symptom development, using behavioral and psychoanalytic theories and psychological testing when indicated. Services include psychological evaluations addressing issues such as Causation and Apportionment of permanent psychological

disability, need for treatment, and determination of malingering behavior. Evaluations include Independent/Agreed Medical Examinations, Workers' Compensation, Immigration, Disability, Return to Work, and Fitness for Duty. Regularly engaged by the Federal Aviation Administration and California Board of Registered Nursing to perform evaluations, serves as an Approved Evaluator for the Arizona Board of Nursing. Expert Witness consultation for Psychology and Psychiatric Nursing standards of care. Provide on-site crisis debriefing services when trauma occurs in the workplace.

Confidential consultation to claims professionals and attorneys to assist in determining the veracity of a claim or the strength of a case involving psychological issues. Available to critique reports from opposing expert witnesses and advise.

*Psychologist, Campus Psychological Services, Santa Monica College, 1999-2007*

A half-time staff psychologist position, provided short term and crisis resolution treatment to faculty, staff and students on this very large and internationally diverse campus. Also served as liaison consultant to the Santa Monica College Police Department when needed.

*Psychosocial Resource Nurse, Harbor-UCLA Med Center Emergency Room/Trauma Center, 1992-1999*

This liaison position was a psychological support position for the nursing and medical staff in the Trauma Center. Responsibilities included assisting and caring for the family and friends of critical and dying patients who were brought to the Trauma Center.

*Registered Nurse, UCLA Neuropsychiatric Hospital & Institute, 1983-1995*

Staff RN on the inpatient Adult, Geriatric and Child psychiatry units, responsible for participation on an interdisciplinary treatment team. The hospital worked from a primary nursing model, and this required my involvement with the patients from admission through treatment plan development and assessing treatment goals and outcomes.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Faculty, David Geffen UCLA School of Medicine, 2014-2018; 2020 - present  
Systems Based Health Care, Doctoring I, Doctoring 3, Clinical Interviewing

Clinical Faculty, WorkCompCentral, 2012-2017

Associate Nursing Faculty, University of Phoenix, 1994-2007

Associate Nursing Faculty, California State University, Dominguez Hills, 1989-1996

I am a Continuing Professional Education provider approved by the California Psychological Association and the California Division of Workers' Compensation.

## SELECTED RESEARCH/PRESENTATIONS/APPEARANCES

"The Mystery of the Psyche – Malingering." California Schools Risk Management, Pasadena, CA, November 9, 2015.

"The Global Assessment of Functioning Scale: Rating Psychological Injury," "Deconstructing a Psychiatric Evaluation," "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder," "Psycho-Social implications of Traumatic Brain Injury," Hanna Brophy Academy, (multiple presentations/times).

*Wicked Attractions*, Investigation Discovery Channel, on-air psychologist for 13 episodes: Blood Brothers, The Golden Years, Built for Murder, Calm Before the Storm, Bad Fortune, The Golden Buddha, Lesbians and the Little Man, The Jaycee Lee Dugard Story, Recipe for Disaster, Mommy's Little Helper, True Bromance, Dirty Double Cross and More than a Babysitter. M2 Productions, 2009-2013.

*Killer Kids*, Lifetime Channel, on-air psychologist for a single episode, "The Hail Mary Murders." Originally aired 2013.

"Psycho-Social implications of Traumatic Brain Injury." 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Neuro-Rehab Conference, Loma Linda University. Sponsored by the Center for Neuro Skills. October 21, 2011.

"Autopsy of a Psych Evaluation." Workers' Compensation Forum, San Bernardino, CA, May 10, 2011.

"Bullying and Harassment." JTZ Claims, April 29, 2011.

"The Global Assessment of Functioning Scale: Rating Psychological Injuries." Day with the Doctors, State of California Workers' Compensation Adjudication Board, CA, July 17, 2010.

"Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder." Rifenburg, Wolf & Holtz, October 16, 2009.

"Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and other Psychiatric Issues in Workers' Compensation." Votok, Votok & Zayon, October 13, 2009.

"An Overview of the Work of Jacques Lacan: A comparison with the psychoanalytic theories of Bernard Bail." Unpublished, 2006.

"The Irony of Darwin: Infant Personality Development." Presented at the American Psychological Association, Division 39 Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, 2003.

"Identification of Suicidal Fantasies in Virtual Reality Simulation Games." Federal Bureau of Investigation, Quantico, VA, September 21-23, 1999 (Paper published by the FBI in *Collected Papers on Suicide and Law Enforcement*, 2000).

"The More Dead: Investigating the Murders in the Mexican Maquila." International Association of Forensic Sciences, August 1999 (Co-Presented with Patrick Callahan, PhD).

"El Depredadores: Murder in Mexico." Presented at the 5th Annual International Investigative Psychology Conference, London, September 1998 (Abstract published in 5th Annual International Investigative Psychology Conference Proceedings).

#### ADDITIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Arizona Psychological Association, Member
- FBI Citizen's Academy, Class of 2015
- California Psychological Association, *past member in good standing*
- Los Angeles County Bar Association, *past associate member in good standing*
- American Psychological Association, *past member in good standing*

- American Psychoanalytic Association, *past member in good standing*
- American Women for International Understanding (AWIU), Board Member

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