

# **CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)**

#### **EDUCATION**

Doctorate Degree 8/1980 - 12/1986 California Graduate Institute: Doctor of philosophy in Clinical Psychology Dissertation: "Mother-Daughter Relationships in Incestuous Families".

Master and Bachelor 1/1974 - 6/1980 Antioch University, Santa Barbara, CA. Bachelor of Arts Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology.

### **STATE & PROVINCIAL LICENSES**

State of California Board of Behavioral Sciences Marriage, Family, and Child Therapy License # MW-18084 (1982 to present)

BC Association of Clinical Counsellors Registered Clinical Counsellor #22384 (2024)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

"You're Not Crazy: Overcoming Parent/ Child Alienation", Published, 2020

Due Process should be Essential to the Administrative Process of State Medical Boards Family Practice News - June 1994

Medical Boards: Checks, but no Balance Prevent Due Process for Accused Physicians Internal Medicine News and Cardiology News - December 1994

Letters to the Editor re: The Board of Psychology The California Psychologist, October 1997

#### EXPERT WITNESS

Served as an expert witness in South Africa and the United Kingdom. Primarily served as an expert witness in numerous courts, at varying levels, in the following US States one or more times: California, Arizona, Texas, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington State, Idaho, Ohio, Utah, Maryland, Connecticut, Wisconsin, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Louisiana, Illinois, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New Hampshire and Washington, DC. Note: I do not keep a list of the names of cases that I've testified in because I've been providing expert witness testimony for approximately 50 years.

Been deemed an expert witness and provided testimony in cases involving treatment of adults abused as children, sexual abuse, false allegations of sexual abuse, domestic violence, coercive control, child psychological abuse, estrangement and parental alienation.

First professional to use the new Coercive Control law SB-1141, allowing a Domestic Violence Restraining Order in September 2020. This case set a legal precedent in the State of California.

As of this date, I have not yet had the opportunity to serve as an expert witness in a Canadian court. There are some cases potentially coming up in the summer/fall 2024.

### PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

Addressed international audiences at conferences regarding parental alienation and changing the child abuse law, mandatory education, and reporting of child abuse.

#### PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Private Practice 1/1984 to Present

Specializing in parent alienation and sexual abuse issues, this includes working with attorneys on strategies for exposing parental alienation of children. Expert witness reports and 4-day reunification program for alienated children.

Clinical Director Family Reflections Reunification Program Inc., Nanaimo, BC, Canada December 2023 to Present

Mediator 5/1984 - Present Individual, Groups and Family Treatment, Adults, Adolescents, and children in the State of California.

2006 - 2012 UCLA bariatric surgery. Evaluate candidates for bariatric surgery. 2020 - Present Evaluate children in parental alienation situations.

1/1999 - Present Conduct Mediations. Experienced in divorce, community relations, custody, and other issues. Mediator for the Supreme Court in the USA.

Social Worker 8/1980 - 11/1984 Crittenton Center, Los Angeles. Individual, family and group therapy to pregnant adolescent girls and their families.

6/1978 - 9/1980 California Living Centers. Placed and monitored children in foster homes.

11/1977 - 6/1978 Klein Bottle Youth Services, Santa Barbara, CA. Counselor for youths with drug, alcohol, and delinguency problems.

2/1974 - 11/1977

Gulf Coast Regional Mental Health Services, Galveston, TX.

Designated social worker to deinstitutionalize adults leaving state hospitals. Member of psychiatric emergency team. Worked on a case heard by the U.S. Supreme Court, which resulted in the 72-hour hold law. (5150 Law).

### SUPERVISING EXPERIENCE

Domestic Violence Phoenix House and YMCA Glendale California. Shelter for Battered Women. Violence in the family Santa Barbara, California. Supervised Clinical Training.

# ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Volunteer 1968-1971 U.S Peace Corps. Botswanan Africa.

President 1993-1996 Professional Advocacy Network.

A National organization advocating for civil rights under administrative law for physicians, psychologists, therapists, and other healthcare professionals.

Co-Owner 1994 -1995 Established programs in retirement homes and developmentally disabled facilities that provided psychotherapy for the residents.

## AWARDS

"Who's Who in American Universities". Presidents List, 4 years. Delta Theta Tau Scholarship Awards, 1978-1984.

### **LEGISLATION**

Worked with a team on a case that went to the Supreme Court that established the 5150 hold legislation.

Worked on a team to establish a Statute of Limitations under Administrative Law, providing protection for health care professionals.

Working currently on changing the Child Abuse law to include parent alienation as psychological abuse of a child. It includes mandatory education and mandatory reporting by professionals in law, social work, psychology, education and medical fields.

#### MEMBERSHIPS

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Superior Court 4/99.

AAMFT American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy 2/2002. CAMFT California Association and Marriage and Family Therapist. Psychology Today.

AFCC Association of Family and Conciliation Courts.

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