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Profile

I am a clinical psychologist who relocated to Albuquerque from Austin in 2012, where I was in private practice for nearly 20 years. The areas of my clinical expertise include the assessment & treatment of personality disorders, addictions, eating disorders, and trauma-based disorders. In addition to my clinical practice, I have had a substantive forensic evaluation practice with a specialty in pre-trial evaluations for criminal cases.

Experience

Private Practice - Albuquerque 2012 - present

- Individual and family therapy of adults and adolescents
- Psychological Assessment
- HIPAA Compliant Internet Therapy

New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute Las Vegas, NM 2013 - present

- Evaluations of Competence to Stand Trial
- Evaluation of Dangerousness
- Detection of Deception and Malingering

West End Psychological Associates - Austin, TX 1993 - 2012

- Individual, group and family treatment
- Therapeutic and forensic assessment

Travis County Courts - Austin, TX 2003 - 2012

- Determination of Competency to Stand Trial
- Assessment of Mental Status at Time of the Offense
- Assessment of Psychological Factors for Sentence Mitigation
- Expert Testimony

Education & Licensing

Northwestern University - Evanston, IL 1989 Ph.D.

Texas Board of Examiners of Psychologists 1991 TX-24275

New Mexico Board of Psychologist Examiners 2012 NM-1213

Post-Graduate Continuing Education

MMPI-2-RF: Police and Law Enforcement - Pearson Testing

Foundations of Threat Assessment - CONCEPT Training - (40 hours)

How to be an Effective Expert Witness - SEAK Training - (16 hours)

Legal Relevance of Psychologists' Opinions in the Immigration

Context - California Psychological Association

Writing Reports for the Immigration Courts- California Psychological Association

Conducting an Effective Mental Status Examination and Risk Assessment - CMI Education Institute

Assessment of Feigning in Forensic Contexts - American Academy of Forensic Psychology

Assessing & Managing Violence Risk - American Academy of Forensic Psychology

Evaluations of Criminal Responsibility - American Academy of Forensic Psychology

Consulting with Police Departments - New Mexico Psychological Association

Psychology in the Balance: How the Law Affects Your Practice - New Mexico Psychological Association

Rorschach Performance Assessment System - Society for Personality Assessment

Update on Juvenile Forensic Evaluations - Capacity for Justice

Assessing Psychopathy with the PCL-R - Reid Meloy, Ph.D.

The MMPI-2-RF: Introduction for Forensic Psychologists - American Society of Psychology-Law Conference

Detection of Deception - Professional Resource Exchange

Mental Health in the Courtroom - Capacity for Justice

Advanced Forensic Psychology Practice - American Academy of Forensic Psychology: Juvenile Justice: Competence, Waiver & Transfer Evaluations; Personal Injury: Sex & Race Discrimination; Substituted Judgment; Developments in Violence Risk Assessment; Evaluation of Miranda Waivers; Evaluation in Strict Mens Rae Cases; Death Penalty Assessments: Ethics & Practice.

Ethics & Risk Management in Forensic Settings - American Psychological Association

Advanced Forensic Evaluation Training - Capacity for Justice

Evaluating Competency Under the New Law - Capacity for Justice & Texas Mental Health Association

Use of the Rorschach in Personal Injury Evaluations - American Academy of Forensic Psychology

Advanced Forensic Psychology Practice - American Academy of Forensic Psychology: Advanced Rorschach Scoring & Interpretation; Forensic Ethics & Roles; Case Law Update; Psychometric Assessment; Assessment of Malingering in Personal Injury; Sexual Discrimination and Sexual Harassment; Evaluation of Sexual Predators; and Assessment in Death Penalty Cases

The MMPI & Rorschach in Court - American Academy of Forensic Psychology

Malingering & Deception: Clinical & Legal Issues - 8th Annual National Symposium of Mental Health & Law

Personal Injury Evaluations: Psychology Concepts, Methods & Applications American Society of Forensic Psychology

The Ethics of Forensic Practice: Law, Ethics & Forensic Practice - American Academy of Forensic Psychology

Aggression & Abuse: Clinical & Legal Issues - 6th Annual National Symposium of Mental Health & Law: Violence Prediction & Risk Assessment; Child Physical Abuse & Offender Characteristics; Clinical & Empirical Findings Related to Stalking; Legal Issues in Battered Women's Syndrome; The Law and Antisocial Personality Disorder.

Areas of Special Interest:

Forensic Assessment: I regularly conduct evaluations to determine competency to stand trial, mental status at the time of the offense, capacity for performing parental functions, risk assessment of dangerousness (workplace violence; stalking violence; domestic partner violence; risk of reoffending), and appropriateness for security clearance.

Eating Disorders & Addictions: I have had extensive experience working with clients who have eating disorders, substance abuse or other addictions. The research for my doctoral dissertation was focused on personality and family interactions in the families of poly-substance abusing adolescents and young adults.

Personality Disorders: My graduate training at Northwestern University focused on working with persons who had tenacious personality disorders such as Borderline or Narcissistic Personality. Many therapists are reluctant to work with these clients, but I find it both challenging and rewarding. These clients need a very active therapist who is willing to be both supportive and confrontational according to what is needed at the moment. I have had significant success with this population, and I have seen clients go from having a chaotic, self-destructive lifestyle to learning to care for themselves and have empathy for others.

College & Post-graduate Clients: My practice has always had a large segment of college students or those who are recent graduates. Certainly, this is a time of life when many new issues arise regarding consolidation of identity, appropriate separation from family of origin, learning how to have healthy intimate relationships, and finding one's professional direction. For many young people, this is a difficult period and may be accompanied by the development of new symptoms: depression, anxiety, eating disorders, alcohol abuse, etc. This is a critical time to intervene so that the young person can get "back on track" to pursue a meaningful and personally gratifying life

