

Accomplished professional with an expertise in domestic violence, sexual assault treatment, and forensic psychology, as well as unparalleled communication acumen seeking a position to effectively contribute to organization's further success

## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

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Relationship-Builder | Team-Player | Stress-Resistant | Self-Motivated | Problem-Solver | Achiever  
Detail-Oriented | Result-Driven | Exemplary Work Ethics | Communicator

## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

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Forensic Psychology | Criminal Justice | Domestic Violence | Sexual Abuse & Domestic Violence Treatment | Health Care  
Therapy and Massage | Problem Solving | Patient Screening/Assessment | Law Enforcement | Personnel Training  
Document Review & Research & Consultation

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

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Doctor of Psychology Degree in Forensic Psychology • Alliant International University • Sacramento • 2015  
Masters in Forensic Psychology~ California School of Forensic Studies, Alliant International University~2011  
Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice (Magna Cum Laude) • Colorado Technical University • 2006

## INTERNSHIP

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*Butte County Department of Behavior Health, Oroville*

*Sept 2012-June 2014*

- **AB 109 Post-Release Community Supervision Program**
- **Management a high volume of caseloads up to (46) felon clients**
- Promote interagency collaboration with Probation and increase access for services through out Butte County
- Provide mental health services to include, assessment, individual therapy, medications, case management, and linkage to other appropriate supports in the community. Services shall be provided based on a consumer focused wellness approach.
- Provide services within a multi-disciplined team that is responsible for engagement, assessment, mental health therapy, medications, linkage, risk management, peer and family support, follow up and case management
- Supervision provided for internship by both Dr. Scott Palmer and Dr. Tony Hobson

## PRACTICUM

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### G3 PRACTICUM

*Butte County Department of Behavior Health, Oroville Community Counseling, Oroville*

*May 2011-May 2012*

- Conduct resourceful screenings and assessments for Butte County Juvenile Hall inmates
- Handle masterful psychological counseling sessions for both families and clients to diagnose the progress and develop comprehensive treatment solutions for identified mental disorders
- Administer psychological evaluations and interpret assessment batteries to obtain an in-depth insight into minor's issues
- Develop detailed and accurate reports on findings and escalate to clinicians and other healthcare professionals as needed to properly treat existing disorders; review treatment plans to sustain compliance with state changes and legal regulations

### G2 PRACTICUM

*Remi Vista Inc.*

*Mar 2010 – Dec 2010*

- Handled assessment sessions for infants, children, and adolescents to determine the level of domestic violence risk; led family and individual therapy sessions within a non-profit corporation servicing youth and families placed/to be placed under the out-of-home care programs; furnished masterful and supportive treatment for sexual assault victims
- Utilized an expertise in the Bayley Scales of Infant Development ((BSID-III) to assess developmental delays in infants/children under Dr. Becky Winton

## G1 PRACTICUM

*Crisis Unit and Mobile Crisis Team, Butte County Mental Health*

*May 2009 - Oct 2009*

- Served as an integral part of the team and provided comprehensive services for the community, including crisis intervention, stabilization, and mental health assessment
- Counseled children, adolescents, adults, and elderly to help cope with emotional and psychiatric crises, as well as conducted suicide pre-assessments for aged population of Butte County Hospitals
- Managed a case load of 50-51 patients, resourcefully identifying and mitigating potential risks and threats to properly protect clients and community
- Established an efficient partnerships with a supervising authority, thus obtaining an approved psychiatric facility to conduct 72-hour treatment and evaluation sessions

## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT & EXPERIENCE

### **Awakening Solutions Counseling: Registered Psychological Assistant**

*Current*

Private Practice: Areas of practice include: **Treatment of children, adolescents, adults and families**

**Forensic Assessment and Treatment**

**Play and Art Therapy**

**Divorce Coaching:** I have had the opportunity of dealing with a number of individuals and families attending to both parent's interests and conflicts during a divorce. Dealing with a divorce is difficult enough for all. When there can be treatment and communication amongst all parties, it can reduce conflict. Many times attorney's or their clients become confused or one-sided about the best interests of the children.

Supervision as a Psychological Assistant is provided by Dr. Scott Palmer

### **FORENSIC COORDINATOR**

*BUTTE COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH*

*OCT 2013-JUNE 2014*

Facilitate services for defendants directly from judicial determination of incompetency to stand trial for restoration.

Coordination of services in collaboration with the Butte County Sheriff's Office, Butte County Sherriff's Jail, Butte County's Psychiatric Unit, and The Butte County Superior Court.

Managed court ordered referrals for LPS conservatorship evaluations, interviewed and assessed defendants while incarcerated, coordinate forensic assessments with the Public Guardian Office of Butte County.

Completed court ordered incompetency evaluations for misdemeanor defendants and attend court hearings to assist the court in determination of defendant's legal status.

Assessment and evaluation of LPS defendants with supervision under Dr. Scott Palmer

### **INSTRUCTOR**

*Chico Therapy Wellness Center*

*March 2004-present*

- Created a comprehensive curriculum and leveraged superior expertise on "Trauma-Transforming Abuse: The Psychology of the Body" during 40-hour state certified classes to share a scientific understanding of the body and mind interconnection as it relates to physical trauma and dysfunction
- Educated and mentored the customers on diverse domestic violence aspects and promoted a better understanding of violence cycle within domestic violence relationships to prevent possible incidents; coached on sexual assault impacts on the body system, Rape Trauma Syndrome, types of rapists, psychological effects of incest, mental health disorders an overview of psychopharmacology
- Conducted professional trainings and handled practical sessions to assist with the development of business plan therapeutic massage practice, as well as shared an expertise on difficult clients handling

## INDEPENDENT BUSINESS OWNER

*Somatic Massage: It's your body...your mind...your life...*

*Dec 2001-present*

- Launched and successfully manage an independent business; grew client base from ground to 200 within a 6-month period
- Managed internal accounting and financial operations, ensuring superior accuracy and strong compliance with relevant regulations; gained over 50 internal client referrals due to provision of a patient-oriented and result-driven quality services
- Schedule client visits to ensure time and hospice visits to off-site locations cost efficiency of the of the provided services
- Develop compelling marketing strategy and advertising campaigns through efficient collaboration with local media agencies

## OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Awakening Solutions Counseling ~ Current

Forensic Coordinator ~ Butte County Behavioral Health~ 2013-2014

Forensic Psychologist Intern 2012-2013

Law Clerk • Law Office of Melissa Atteberry • 2007-2010

Screen Writer • White Night Productions • 1990-2008

Model • Mary Webb Davis Agency • 1980-1991

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

*Legal Aspects of Competency Oct 2013*

*Psychopharmacology- 14 hours- June 2013*

*5150 /5585 Designation Training May 8, 2013*

*Conducting Custody Child Evaluations in the Best Interests of The Child: Techniques, New Legal and Ethical Requirements, and Child Sexual Abuse Issues ~ Sept 2012 25 hrs*

*Domestic Violence in Custody Evaluations: Keeping Children Safe Sept 2012*

*S.A.R.T. Program and Training • UC Riverside • Jan 2010-present*

(60-hour Sexual Assault Response Team Program training: medical assessment of injuries of sexual assault victims, forensic terminology, forensic wound identification, collection and preservation of forensic specimens, chain of custody procedures, advocate crisis intervention, preparation for court testimony)

*IACP International Academy of Collaborative Professionals 2009*

*Child Trafficking • Zur Institute • 2009*

*Child Abduction Training • Chico, CA • 2006*

*Professional Mediation and Conflict Resolution Training Course • American Center for Conflict Resolution • 2006*

*Law Enforcement's Response to Child Sexual Abuse • 2005*

*Hostile and Threatening Employee Training • 2004*

*Domestic Violence Training for First Responders • 2003*

*Trained Child Forensic Interviewer Training • Huntsville, Alabama • 2001*

*Trained Child Forensic Interviewer Training • Sonoma State University • 2000*

*Rape Crisis Advocate Training Course • Chico • 1998*

*SART Training: Tulare County 1994*

*A Victims Advocate Interfacing with Victims of Domestic Violence and Law Enforcement • Kings County • 1993*

*Domestic Violence Training (Domestic Violence Specialist) • Office of Criminal Justice and Planning (OCJP)*

## AWARDS

*Assembly Woman Jackie Spears Volunteer Recognition Award (work in the Battered Woman's Shelter) • City of San Mateo • 1996*  
*San Mateo County Commendation Award for 'Countless Hours for Battered Women and Children' • 1996*

## PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATION, RESEARCH, AND OTHER INVOLVEMENT

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**Risk Assessment:** Completed a complex insight/analysis of a threatening event, which took place at San Mateo County Jail with a deputy sheriff through video analysis; facilitated the escalation of the case to further investigation as a terrorist threat (2010)

**Dissertation:** "Cyber Rapists: Adult Victims of Online Social Networks & The Exploration of a New Rapist Typology"  
Chair & Committee: Dr. Lisa Ware and Dr. Eric Hickey

**Presentation:** Defining and Understanding Satanic Ritual Abuse -2011

**Presentation:** Sexual Offenders and Their Victims- 2011

**Presentation:** How The Best Interest are Overshadowed by Parental Rights in a Domestic Violence Relationship-2011

**Presentation:** "Paraphilias and Fairy Tales" at the International Conference (IVAT) • San Diego • 2008

**Presentation:** Sexually Sadistic Criminals- Sacramento 2008

**Presentation:** Domestic Violence and Child Custody Cases • Alliant International University

**Research:** Art through Death~ Coffee Table Book (on-going)

Contribution Research for Publication of Necrophilia: : Necrophilia: The Sleeping Beauty Syndrome (on-going)

**Research/Revision:** Assisted the Dean of The California School of Forensic Studies (Dr. Eric Hickey) in the research and revision of his "Serial Murders and Their Victims" book; handled in-depth study on stalking, social construction of serial murders, team killers, and upgrading crime statistics internationally and nationally on serial murders and victims

## VOLUNTEERING

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Volunteer • Rape Crisis Advocate • Chico • Since 2009

Massage Therapist • Hospice Clients at Hospice House • Feather River Hospital (2004-2005)

**Development Director Assistant • Center for Domestic Violence Prevention • San Mateo County (1998-1999)**

Special fund raising events • San Francisco 49ers Professional Football Team

**Training Volunteer • Center for Domestic Violence Prevention • San Mateo County (1996)**

Provided emergency intervention, referrals and follow-up calls, and crisis intervention counseling sessions, served domestic violence survivors with court accompaniments, and aided with the restraining order clinic

Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Volunteer • S.A.R.T. Training, Community Action Organization • Hanford, CA • 1993-1995

Hospice Volunteer • Pasadena • 1985-1989

**Crisis Line & DVERT Member • Center for Domestic Violence Prevention • San Mateo County**

Car patrol member (law enforcement in East Palo Alto) • San Mateo Sheriff's office • multi-agency response through intervention and education focused on safety and accountability

## PROFESSIONAL INNOVATION

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Computer Sexual Predator Program for Law Enforcement • San Mateo County • 2006

Tracks Sex Offenders for The San Mateo Sheriff's Office • co-authorship: Deputy Robert Knapton of the San Mateo Sheriff's Office

## REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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