

Curriculum Vitae
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Present Position

Forensic Psychiatrist
Lowcountry Forensic Psychiatry, LLC
July 2008 – Present

Past Locum Experience

General Psychiatrist, Inpatient Coverage
Aurora Pavilion, Aiken, South Carolina
August 2008 – April 2009

Past Work Experience

Department Director, Forensic Psychiatry
Medical University of South Carolina
July 2007 – June 2008
Associate Department Director, Forensic Psychiatry
Medical University of South Carolina
Feb 2007 – June 2007
Associate Fellowship Director, Forensic Psychiatry
Medical University of South Carolina
July 2006 – June 2008
General Psychiatrist, Weekend Coverage
The Carolina Center for Behavioral Health
Sept 2004 – Sept 2005
Consulting Physician Weight Management Center
Medical University of South Carolina
May 2004 – Dec 2005

Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences
Institute of Psychiatry
Medical University of South Carolina
July 2006 – June 2008

Board Certifications

Board Certified in Forensic Psychiatry
American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
April 2007
Board Certified in Psychiatry
American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
May 2006

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Education/Training

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN B.A. Psychology	Aug 1996
University of Alabama School of Medicine, Birmingham, AL M.D.	May 2001

Education/Training, cont.

Intern in Psychiatry Medical University of South Carolina	July 2001 – June 2002
Residency in Psychiatry Medical University of South Carolina	July 2002 – June 2005
Outpatient Chief Resident Medical University of South Carolina	July 2004 – June 2005
Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship Medical University of South Carolina	July 2005 – June 2006

Honors/Awards

Senior Award for Excellence in Psychiatry University of Alabama School of Medicine	2001
Senior Award for Excellence in Pediatrics University of Alabama School of Medicine	2001
Madison County Medical Alliance Scholarship Recipient	2000
Top Graduating Senior University of Tennessee	1996
Graduated Summa Cum Laude University of Tennessee	1996
Psi Chi Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement Award University of Tennessee	1996
Four-time Alumni Scholarship Recipient University of Tennessee	1992 – 1996
Dean's List University of Tennessee	1992 – 1996

Professional Memberships

American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law Program Committee Member	January 2009 – Present
American Psychiatric Association South Carolina Psychiatric Association President, Coastal Chapter	May 2009 – Present
American Medical Association	

Presentations

A Personality Disorder May Mitigate but Cannot Nullify Responsibility for a Criminal Act, Conundrums and Controversies in Mental Health and Illness, Fifteenth Annual Thomas A. Pitts Memorial Lectureship in Medical Ethics, Charleston, South Carolina, September 5-6, 2008.

Criminal Defense and Psychiatry: How mental illness may impact the defense of your client. Federal Criminal Practice: A Seminar for the CJA Defense Bar, District of South Carolina. Charleston, South Carolina, October 16, 2008.

An Antihero of Our Time: Mass Shooters, Who Are They? American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law 2008 Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, October 23, 2008.

Sexually Violent Predators: Their Rights Versus Our Safety. South Carolina Psychiatric Association Coastal Chapter Meeting. Charleston, South Carolina, January 13, 2009.

Mental Health. Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, Office of Defender Services Training Branch, Winning Strategies Seminar. Charleston, South Carolina, February 6, 2009.

Mental Health Issues in Criminal Defense. Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, Office of Defender Services Training Branch, Winning Strategies Seminar. San Francisco, California February 6, 2010.