

### DANA R. ANDERSON, PSY.D.

### Licensed Clinical Forensic Psychologist, CA PSY33167, NV PY1101

### **Doctor of Clinical Forensic Psychology / Alliant International University 2012 - 2016**

Received Soroptimist International Doctoral Fellowship Award for dissertation research to better understand attempted homicide between intimate partners: *Understanding the Physical and Psychological Experiences of Intimate Partner Strangulation Survivors*.

### Master of Clinical Forensic Psychology / Alliant International University 2012- 2014

Completed the England study abroad program: Cops, Courts & Corrections (2013).

### **Bachelor of Criminal Justice / National University 2005 - 2007**

Honors Senior Research Project: The Importance of Collection and Preservation of Crime Scene Evidence Supervised by the Department of Justice.

Associates of Arts / Shasta Community College 2002 – 2004

### FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY EXPERIENCE

## California Forensic Psychology, Superior Court-appointed forensic psychologist, February 2022- Current

I provide court-appointed forensic psychological services and expert witness testimony to the Superior Court of California. Criminal evaluations include Competency to Stand Trial (PC 1368/1370), Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI) (PC 1026), Registered Sex Offender (RSO) (PC 290), and Mentally Disordered Offender (MDO) evaluations (PC 2926). Forensic psychological evaluations may include the assessment of mitigating and/or incriminating factors. I provide risk assessments and make recommendations for parole, probation, and/or placement for high-risk offenders. I assess for malingering of psychosis, malingering of memory, as well as confabulation, for secondary gain, in criminal and civil hearings. Court-ordered evaluations I can be retained by the plaintiff's counsel, or criminal defense counsel for individuals accused of penal code violations, whose mental state is in question. In family law, I provide court-ordered (Evidence Code 730) child custody evaluations. In civil matters, I provide psychological evaluations for personal injury cases. For Foster Agencies and Child Protective Services, I provide Bonding Assessments, Treatment Recommendations for family reunification, and Parental Termination Evaluations.

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## RESTPADD Psychiatric Facility (Recovery & Stabilization for Psychiatric and Drug Use Disorders) Contract Psychologist, August 2016- January 2022

Facilitated psychiatric interventions for individuals in severe mental health crisis, brought in on 5150 holds. Evaluated individuals, who met legal criteria of being a danger to self (DTS), danger to others (DTO), or gravely disabled (GD), due to a mental disorder. Completed Tarasoff Warning, when applicable. Administered psychological assessments to assist with providing diagnosis and/or differential diagnoses. Provided crisis intervention, group therapy, case management, and treatment planning. Court hearing representative for 5250/5270 court hearings. Provided legal testimony each week (over 800x) in court for individuals who met legal criteria for psychiatric holds and participated in REIS and WRIT hearings. Completed LPS Conservatorship Recommendations. Workplace Violence Prevention Committee member and Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevention Committee. 2016-2018 post-Doctoral supervision by Willene Pursell, Ph.D. and Thomas Swanson, M.D. 2021: 'Licensed Waivered Psychologist' by DHCS, supervised by Kelly Smith, Ph.D.

# California Forensic Medical Group (Wellpath), Contract Psychologist and Program Director for the Shasta County Jail Based Competency Treatment (JBCT) Program, Supervised by Kimberly Mitchell, Psy.D., August 2020- January 2021

Executed the first Department of State Hospital (DSH) program at the Shasta County jail. Facilitated competency restoration for inmates awaiting criminal trial. Provided direction, oversight, and supervision for the Jail-Based Competency Treatment (JBCT) program and staff. Primary designator for communication between JBCT stakeholders (i.e., the Captain, Sheriff's department, DSH & Shasta County Superior court). Facilitated weekly psychoeducational classes and individual assessments for inmates. Completed Competency to Stand Trial court reports by utilizing relevant Jail Based Competency Treatment protocol. Administered psychological assessments to determine diagnosis, psychopathology, functioning level, intellectual impairment, and/or Malingering.

## CONREP (A Forensic Conditional Release Program). An Alliant International Predoctoral Internship program through the Department of State Hospital (DSH), Supervised by Shelly Stolesen, Ph.D., June 2015- July 2016

Completed court-ordered forensic evaluations for the Department of State Hospital's (DSH) statewide system of community-based mental health treatment services for specified court-ordered forensic individuals. Provided individual and group therapy to individuals with serious mental illness (SMI), who committed violent felony crimes. Completed forensic psychological reports to the Superior Courts, for each patient, on a quarterly and annual basis, including risk assessments (for reoffending) using the HCR-20 risk assessment. Provided court-ordered outpatient treatment and supervision to persons from various counties (Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo), who were adjudicated as Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI) (Penal Code 1026) when tried for their crimes, and those who, while in prison for their crimes, were found to be Mentally Disordered Offenders (MDO's) (Penal Code 2926). Interviewed Napa and Atascadero State Psychiatric Hospitals patients to evaluate readiness for outpatient treatment and community reentry.

Psychology Assessment Resource Center (PARC), Clinical & Forensic Psychology, Supervised by Baljit Atwal, Ph.D., January- June 2015

Provided civil and forensic psychological evaluations for courts and attorneys by interviewing and evaluating defendants facing legal charges. Assessments consisted of psychological evaluations to address criminal responsibility, dangerousness, risk assessment, malingering and deception, mitigating factors, aggravating factors, Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI), Guilty but Mentally III (GBMI), placement recommendations, Competency to Stand Trial (CST), and PC 290 Sex Offender evaluations, Competency to waive Miranda rights and validity of confessions and immigration evaluations. Responsible for interviewing, administering psychological testing, forensic report writing, formulating a DSM-5 diagnosis, and making a treatment plan recommendation. Provided placement evaluations and recommendations for parole and probation by evaluating individuals in the Sacramento County jail and juvenile defendants at the Stockton Juvenile Detention Facility.

## Psychwest Clinical & Forensic Psychology/ Psychology Intern, Supervised by Craig West, Psy.D., 2014- June 2015.

Provided clinical psychological assessments for Social Security Disability Income evaluations, ADHD, and specific learning disabilities for adolescents. Tests administered included: WAIS-IV, WISC-IV, WMS-IV, WRAT-4, BSID-III, Bayley-III, Vineland-II, Bender Gestalt-II, Trails A & B, and TONI-III. Responsible for interviewing, administering/scoring test protocol, report writing, and DSM- IV diagnostic formulation and recommendations. Participated in individual and group supervision to evaluate treatment plans and outcomes.

## Parole Outpatient: Consortium for Community Services (CCS), Supervised by Marvin Ali, Ph.D.2013-2014

Collaborated with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and worked in partnership with Integrated Services for Mentally III Parolees (ISMIP) to provide colocated services to help transition parolees back into the community. Provided mental health assessments, group therapy, rehabilitation, and therapeutic intervention to individuals in crisis using CBT and relevant treatment approaches to improve psychological functioning and reduce mental disabilities. Partnered with CDCR psychiatrists to ensure medications were appropriate per their mental health diagnosis. Developed, wrote, and facilitated a group therapy curriculum entitled, Women's Empowerment, which focused on female criminogenic needs for mentally ill parolees. Served adult mentally ill parolees, including Sex Offenders (PC 290), by providing mental health, crisis, clinical assessments, risk management, treatment, and crisis intervention.

### Yuba City Unified School District/Psychology Intern, 2012-2013.

Conducted intellectual and personality psychological assessments for the school district. Testing including WISC-IV, CTOPP, BERRY VMI, CVALT, KABC II, BASC, CONNERS, MACI, TAT, and RISB. Attended Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) meetings and collaborated with probation agencies to assist at-risk youths in the school system. Provided assessments and treatment planning for emotionally disturbed and neglected children with ADHD, specific learning disabilities, and/or intellectual deficiencies. Served primarily Hispanic children ages 5-15 by providing nonverbal testing to bilingual and non-English speaking children to assess for learning disabilities.

#### **AWARDS**

Doctoral Fellowship Award from Soroptimist International- Sierra Nevada Region, 2016 The "RUBY Award" from Soroptimist International of Redding, 2016

"Be a HERO to Your Children" recognition award from One Safe Place, Shasta County, 2015

"20 Under 40 Emerging Leader" award published in the 2013 Redding Record Searchlight, 2012

"HERO Award" from the Shasta Family Justice Center & The Shasta Women's Refuge, 2012

"Women's Opportunity Award" from Soroptimist International of Redding, 2012

California Family Justice Initiative Learning Exchange Scholarship Award, San Diego, CA., 2012 Voices Scholarship Award Changing the World International Family Justice Center, 2011

### **MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS**

Sacramento Psychological Association 2023
Forensic Mental Health Association 2023
Leadership Redding, 2016- 2017
One Safe Place (OSP), Community advocate and public speaker, 2011- Current.

### TRUE CRIME TELEVISION CONSULTANT & MEDIA EXPERT

Investigative Discovery "Mean Girl Murders S1, Ep11 & S1, Ep3

CrimeDoor Television Episodes 12/2022-5/2023

Crime Stories with Nancy Grace on Fox Nation- 5 episodes, 2023

Podcast guest on various shows in 2023

Channel 7 News, Special Episode on Competency to Stand Trial, 2023

KNX News 97.1 Radio interview on the increase in crime in California

Keynote speaker for One Safe Place fundraiser event, 2019 & 2020

Speaker for Soroptimist International-Awards presentation dinner, 2017

Speaker for Soroptimist International- Fellowship Award, Reno, Nevada, 2016

Speaker for discussion panel 'Until the Violence Stops' at Shasta College, 2012

Speaker for Domestic Violence class at Marinello's School of Cosmetology November 2012

Speaker at Institute of Technology for the Criminology & Nursing Program October 2012

Speaker panel for 'Enough' video presentation at Shasta Community College September 2012

Speaker at the East Redding Rotary Club, Voices Against Family Violence, 2012

Speaker at Redding City Council Chambers meeting, 2012

Hosted Take Back the Night at Redding City Hall, 2012

Annual guest speaker for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Training- 2012- 2022

Keynote speaker for a Voices training video for Shasta Family Justice Center, 2011 & 2012

KCNR 1460 AM radio: 'Purpose Driven People Living their Passion and Making a Difference,

The Anderson Valley Post- interview for 2011 Take Back the Night, 2012.

Stronger Together DVD/ 30-second spot and 5-minute training video, 2011 & 2012.

Guest speaker for Jan Daley Benefit Concert c/o Shasta Family Justice Center, 2011

The Self-Worth Project' KCNR radio interview, 2011.

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