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EDUCATION

Capital Law University, Columbus, OH

Life Care Planning Graduate Program **2020**

University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI

Master of Science in Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling **2010**

University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI

Bachelor of Science in Vocational Rehabilitation **2008**

Emphasis: Social Work and Psychiatric Rehabilitation

Honors: Cum Laude

EXPERIENCE

Valley Vocational Services, LLC

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor & Expert **August 2015 – Present**

Contracted with state agencies, attorneys, sureties, and others to provide unbiased vocational evaluations, life care plans, labor market reports, medical case management and retraining plans for injured workers, divorce proceedings, personal injury, and other disability cases.

Social Security Administration

Vocational Rehabilitation Expert **October 2015 – Present**

Performed transferable skills analysis to provide an unbiased, expert opinion in Social Security Administration Law hearings. Testified in thousands of disability cases nationally.

Bock Consulting, Inc.

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor **November 2015 – May 2016**

Summarized labor market research in reports used by third-party administrators and state agencies to determine a claimant's eligibility for services and ability to benefit from retraining.

Idaho Industrial Commission- Rehabilitation Division

Rehabilitation Field Consultant **July 2012 – November 2015**

Collaborated with key stakeholders in the workers' compensation field to facilitate an injured worker's return to work following an industrial injury. Provided labor market survey reports used in litigating cases.

Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor **January 2010 – July 2012**

Assisted individuals with disabilities obtain and maintain employment through vocational counseling and guidance. Administered and interpreted academic and interest inventories.

CERTIFICATIONS

Utah Department of Commerce- Div. of Occupational & Professional Licensing Licensed Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (License # 12042841-6101)	2020 – Present
Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification Certified Vocational Evaluator (Certificate # 00112747)	2020 – Present
International Commission on Health Care Certification Certified Life Care Planner (Certificate #1576)	2020 – Present
American Board of Vocational Experts Fellow (Certificate #20411)	2017 – Present
American Board of Vocational Experts International Psychometric Evaluation Certification (Certificate #20411)	2017 – Present
Idaho Industrial Commission Idaho Workers' Compensation Specialist- Advanced Level	2012 – Present
Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification Certified Rehabilitation Counselor (Certificate # 00112747)	2010 – Present

AWARDS

Presidential Citation (American Board of Vocational Experts)	2020
Emerging Professional (International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals)	2018
Rehabilitation of the Year (Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation)	2012

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Board of Vocational Experts
 - Secretary & Editor of the "The Vocational Expert" (2017 to Present)
 - Served on Conference Committee, Website Re-Design, Credentialing
- International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals
 - SSVE Member at Large & Director of the Regional Representatives to the SSVE Board (2016 to 2020)
 - Served on Marketing Committee (2019 to 2020)
- The National Rehabilitation Association
 - Membership Secretary (2010 to 2012)

PRESENTATIONS

American Board of Vocational Experts Annual Conference (Salt Lake City, UT)

- Advancing Your Practice with Technology, 4/7/2018, co-presented with Kourtney Layton to Vocational Experts

International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals Annual Conference (St. Louis, MO)

- Advancing Your Practice with Technology, 10/12/2017, co-presented with Kourtney Layton to Rehabilitation Professionals

Utah Association of Justice Conference (Salt Lake City, UT)- *Invited to speak*

- Vocational Rehabilitation: Analysis in SSA Cases, 5/19/2017, co-presented with Kourtney Layton to attorneys practicing Social Security representation

Idaho Trial Lawyers Association Conference (Boise, ID)- *Invited to speak*

- Vocational Rehabilitation: A Fresh Look at Vocational Issues, 2/24/2017, co-presented with Kourtney Layton to attorneys in Idaho

CONTINUING EDUCATION

7/18/2019 2019 Idaho NRA Conference "Catch the Vision" (Ethics)

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6/21/2019 IARP 2019 Leadership Training (CRC)

4/14/2019 2019 American Board of Vocational Experts Annual Conference (Ethics)

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4/8/2018 2018 American Board of Vocational Experts Annual Conference (Ethics)

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4/4/2018 A Look at Multicultural Counseling Competency: Pregnancy Discrimination and Retaliation

10/26/2017 2017 Annual Seminar on Workers' Compensation

10/14/2017 IARP 2017 Annual Conference (Ethics)

10/14/2017 IARP 2017 Annual Conference

8/10/2017 Cannabis in the Workplace

7/21/2017 2017 NRA Conference People, Purpose, Passion: The Pathway to Success (Ethics)

7/21/2017 2017 NRA Conference People, Purpose, Passion: The Pathway to Success

4/9/2017 2017 American Board of Vocational Experts Annual Conference (Ethics)

4/9/2017 2017 American Board of Vocational Experts Annual Conference

10/27/2016 2016 Annual Seminar on Worker's Compensation

10/27/2016 2016 Annual Seminar on Worker's Compensation (Professional Development)

8/11/2016 WIOA's Impact on VR: Transforming challenges into opportunities through smart, collaborative partnerships

7/22/2016 NRA and Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Building Bridges to Embrace Change (Ethics)

7/22/2016 NRA and Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Building Bridges to Embrace Change

1/4/2016 Social Security Vocational Expert Handbook: Revised Edition

10/29/2015 2015 Annual Seminar on Workers' Compensation

7/24/2015 2015 NRA Conference (Ethics)

7/23/2015 2015 NRA Conference (Professional Development)

6/16/2015 Cognitive Innovations to Promote Independence in the Home and the Community
6/14/2015 Field Review of the Standards of Practice for Life Care Planners- 3rd Edition
6/14/2015 Tools of the Trade: Using Statistics to Select and Interpret Tests
6/13/2015 Field review for the standards of practice for life care planners: 3rd edition
6/13/2015 Tools of the Trade: Using Testing Statistics to Select and Interpret Tests
6/8/2015 ADA Title I: Employment Requirements
6/8/2015 Overview of Disability Rights
6/8/2015 Title II Tutorial
6/8/2015 Welcoming Customers with Disabilities
6/8/2015 ADA Basic Building Blocks Web Course
4/20/2015 University of Idaho ADA updates and the upcoming 25th Anniversary of the Americans with Disability Act

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