

ABRIDGED CURRICULUM VITAE

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***Primary qualifications:***

Diploma in Psychotherapy (UK) 1976

Primary Degree Psychology (Delaware) 1989

***Postgraduate qualifications:***

Certificate in Abnormal Psychology (State University of New York)

M.Sc. (Forensic and Legal Psychology) University of Leicester

Ph.D. (Psychology)

Advanced Certificate in Cognitive Behavioural Psychotherapy

Postgraduate Certificate in Pain Management (University of Abertay, Dundee)

LL.M. (Southern Eastern University)

***Medico-legal courses attended:***

Bond Solon (report writing, courtroom skills and costs)  
Forensic report writing.  
Basic Law Course (Expert Witness Institute)  
CRP rules and procedures (Thomas Sands)

***Professional memberships / registrations***

The Psychological Society of South Africa  
The British Psychological Society  
The American Psychological Association  
National Council of Psychotherapists  
National Council of Hypnotherapists  
UK Register of Expert Witnesses  
Expert Witness Institute  
Law Society Registered Expert Witness

Registered with the UK Health Professions Council as a Licensed Applied Psychologist.  
Registration number : PYL24029

***Present employment***

Private practice (medico legal and therapy). I provide medico legal reports to support asylum applications and various civil and criminal cases. I specialise in the assessment and treatment of psychological sequelae of torture and organised abuse, road traffic accidents, industrial injuries, violent crime, ballistic injuries and medical negligence (cosmetic surgery, obstetrics and gynaecology). I provide comprehensive assessments of alleged PTSD, pain disorders, failure to recover and suspicion of malingering. I have a special interest in the psychological aspects of pain and the psychological consequences of road traffic accidents. Assessment of violent offenders / advice on rehabilitation programmes and suitability for psychological intervention. Pre-sentencing reports. Forensic reports, including background research and impact of psychological conditions on criminal behaviour. Forensic review of medical records.

***Previous posts:***

Consultant Psychologist, National Hospital for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire.

Consultant Psychologist, Calthorpe Clinic, Birmingham.

Psychologist / counsellor, South Birmingham Health Authority, Fund holder scheme.

Part-time forensic psychologist / psychotherapist at the Fry Trust

Psychotherapist and consultant to the Kurdish Advice Centre, The Sudanese Victims of Torture Group and MIND in Tower Hamlets.

***Supplementary data:***

Average number of new instructions per year 250/300

Ratio of work: Claimant 60% : Single joint expert 20% : Defendant 20%

NHS provider number: 8EW12

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