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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Board-Certified Sex Therapist with over a decade of experience in trauma-informed care, forensic evaluation, and program leadership. Founder of Ferra Forensics, an expert witness agency providing high-quality biopsychosocial assessments and mitigation reports for criminal and family court proceedings. Known for delivering comprehensive, creative, and trauma-responsive reports, and collaborating effectively with defense counsel and federal public defenders. Clinical expertise includes complex trauma, personality profiles, and psychosexual cases

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Sexology, 2025

Modern Sex Therapy Institute | Specialization: Sex Trauma, Neurodiverse Sexuality

Master of Social Work (MSW), 2018

University of South Florida | Magna Cum Laude

Bachelor of Applied Science in Legal Studies, 2016

St. Petersburg College | Cum Laude

LICENSURE & CERTIFICATIONS

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Florida (License # SW17572)
- Qualified Supervisor (Florida LCSWs)
- Board-Certified Sex Therapist (AASECT Certified)
- Notary Public, Florida (Valid through June 2029)
- CPI Certified, Mental Health First Aid, Trauma-Informed Care, Crisis Intervention
- CPR / AED / First Aid Certified
- Post-Crisis Leadership Certificate – USF 2020
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in the Workplace – USF 2021
- All DJJ trainings current

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EXPERIENCE

Ferra Forensics Expert Witness Agency – Chief Investigator

2022 – Present

Founder and lead clinical expert of a specialized forensic mental health agency providing court-admissible biopsychosocial evaluations and expert witness services for attorneys practicing in criminal and family law. Oversees a multidisciplinary contractor team across four Florida regions.

- Forensic Evaluations & Expert Testimony – Conducts and supervises comprehensive biopsychosocial assessments for mitigation, competency, trauma history, and sentencing support.
- Contractor Supervision & Quality Assurance – Trains and supervises licensed clinicians conducting in-jail interviews; reviews and edits all reports for clarity, clinical validity, and court appropriateness.
- Trauma & Risk Assessments – Utilizes ACEs, Davidson Trauma Scale, and DSM-5 to document the impact of adverse life events, complex PTSD, and substance use on behavior.
- Attorney Consultation & Collaboration – Works directly with public defenders and private attorneys to tailor evaluation goals, highlight mitigating factors, and enhance sentencing advocacy.
- Systems Strategy & Practice Development – Built infrastructure for intake coordination, case tracking, and statewide coverage to serve public and private counsel efficiently.

Notable Achievements:

- Established agency serving all four regions of Florida within 12 months
- Developed and standardized forensic report templates with trauma-informed language
- Delivered professional trainings to legal teams on PTSD, sex offenses, and neurodivergence in court-involved individuals

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SHARE of Florida, LLC – Chief Executive Officer

2021 – Present

Founder and clinical director of a thriving group mental health practice offering specialized, inclusive, and trauma-informed services. Oversaw all clinical operations, business development, and expansion of care teams across multiple locations and Telehealth platforms.

- Clinical Supervision & Leadership – Provided ongoing supervision and mentorship to pre-licensed and licensed clinicians, fostering professional growth and maintaining ethical, high-quality care delivery.
- Specialized Therapy Services – Delivered individual, couples, and group therapy with a focus on trauma, sexual health, LGBTQ+ affirmative care, and neurodiversity.
- Forensic & Gender-Arming Evaluations – Conducted WPATH mental health evaluations and expert assessments for gender-arving surgery, immigration, and legal mitigation.
- Behavioral Health Consulting – Advised corporate clients on workplace mental health policy, burnout prevention, and crisis response strategies.
- Education & Advocacy – Designed and led workshops, continuing education classes, and community initiatives on mental health literacy, trauma recovery, and sex therapy.

Notable Achievements:

- Increased client referral rate by 168% month-over-month
- Scaled company revenue by 536% in 6 months
- Developed a fully compliant internal audit system and KPI infrastructure

Solace Behavioral Health – Director of Therapeutic Services

2021 – 2022

Oversaw clinical operations across three office locations and a Telehealth team. Led a multidisciplinary

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team providing mental health and substance use treatment in high-volume outpatient settings. Focused on clinical excellence, team development, and performance optimization.

- Clinical Supervision & Training – Supervised LCSWs, LMHCs, and interns while developing internal training to support evidence-based treatment delivery and ethical care.
- Program Development – Designed and implemented the “Achievement Roadmap,” an internal leadership and development curriculum to foster clinical growth and reduce turnover.
- Behavioral Health Operations – Managed KPIs, compliance, and administrative coordination across sites, maintaining high service standards and client satisfaction.
- Trauma & Substance Use Treatment – Led trauma-focused and dual-diagnosis services for adults and adolescents, integrating CBT, ACT, and motivational interviewing.
- Organizational Strategy – Conducted prot & loss analysis and advised senior leadership on scalable growth and clinician support structures.

Notable Achievements:

- Increased practice revenue by 68% year-over-year
- Reduced staff turnover by 44%
- Reduced client complaints by over 70% year-to-date

Pace Center for Girls – Social Services Program Manager

2019 – 2021

Led therapeutic programming and wraparound services for justice-involved and at-risk adolescent girls in a gender-responsive, trauma-informed setting. Managed state and federally funded services and ensured compliance with DJJ, DOE, and Medicaid standards.

- Trauma-Informed Program Leadership – Directed clinical care for adolescent girls with high ACE scores, complex trauma, and behavioral challenges.

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- Team Supervision & Compliance – Managed social service and case management staff, led internal audits, and prepared documentation for DJJ and federal site reviews.
- Family & Court Liaison Services – Coordinated care plans, treatment goals, and family engagement while serving as a liaison to juvenile justice and dependency courts.
- Crisis Management & Safety Planning – Led the crisis response team for escalated clinical situations and supported aftercare coordination.
- Systems Collaboration – Worked cross-functionally with schools, law enforcement, and community stakeholders to advocate for holistic youth outcomes.

Notable Achievements:

- Tripled the center census from 22 to 61 clients in under six months
- Increased daily attendance by 80% on average
- Led the center through three federal audits with scores of 93–98% compliance

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS & VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP

- Vice-Chair Board of Directors, Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD – USF), 2022–Present
- Board Member, Learning Empowered, 2020–2021
- Constitutional Equality Task Force Director, National Organization for Women (Florida Chapter), 2020–2021
- Certified Guardian ad Litem, 6th Circuit, 2014–2019

RELEVANT PRESENTATIONS & TRAININGS

- Understanding PTSD in Legal Settings: What Clinicians and Attorneys Need to Know - Explored diagnostic criteria, trauma impacts on behavior, and how PTSD may shape legal outcomes. Included case examples and mitigation strategies.
- The Role of Neurodiversity in Criminal Justice Mitigation - Training for legal and clinical professionals on how autism and ADHD manifest in court-involved individuals and impact

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culpability and rehabilitation.

- Mitigating the Impact of Complex Trauma in Sentencing Recommendations - Provided an in-depth overview of how early trauma influences behavior and functioning; trained clinicians and attorneys on trauma-informed language for court.
- Understanding the Psychology of Sexual Offending: A Clinical Perspective for Legal Teams - Explained the etiology of sexual offending behavior, clinical indicators for risk and rehabilitation, and considerations for treatment vs. incarceration.
- Drug Use, Dependency, and Diversion: Advocating for Clinical Alternatives in Sentencing - Focused on understanding addiction through a trauma-informed lens and providing legal teams with evidence-based clinical alternatives to incarceration.
- ACES & Expert Witnessing: Leveraging Trauma Data in Federal Court Reports - Reviewed the use of Adverse Childhood Experience scoring and Davidson Trauma Scale in forensic evaluations to support mitigation.
- When Sex Becomes a Symptom: Forensic Evaluations in Cases Involving Hypersexuality, Abuse History, and Trauma - A training for sex therapists and forensic evaluators on identifying patterns of abuse, trauma-linked sexual behavior, and proper report writing.
- Kink, Consent, and Criminal Charges: Evaluating Alternative Intimacy in Legal Contexts - Provided guidance to attorneys and judges on differentiating consensual kink from abuse allegations and understanding the nuances in forensic sexology.

PUBLICATIONS & PROJECTS

- Bonded: The Autistic's Guide to the Healing Nature of Kink – *Forthcoming 2025*
- Power Play: Unlocking Dominance & Submission for Transformational Leadership – *Forthcoming 2026*

AWARDS & HONORS

- Tampa Bay Business and Wealth Magazine's Women Who Win Award – Diversity & Inclusion Leader, 2024
- Entrepreneurista 100 Award – Health & Wellness Leader, 2023

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- Tampa Bay Business and Wealth Magazine's Apogee Award – Founder (Small Business Category), 2023

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
- American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT)
- Florida Association of Sex Therapists (FAST)
- National Organization for Women

REFERENCES

Available upon request or by attorney referral.