

EDUCATION

Hope International University , Fullerton, CA Master of Arts, Marriage and Family Therapy	January, 2013 to May, 2015
Hope International University , Fullerton, CA Bachelor of Science, Human Development	September, 2007 to December, 2012
Hope International University , Fullerton, CA Bachelor of Arts, Christian Ministry	January, 2003 to May, 2005
ITT Technical Institute , Garland, TX Technical Associate of Applied Science, CAD Technology	September, 1997 to March, 1999
US Air Force, Honorable Discharge Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (VFW status)	September, 1993 to September, 1997

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists
California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

WORK EXPERIENCE

Jennifer Leister & Associates , Dallas, TX Associate Therapist	March 2020 to Present
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Private practice treating children, teens, adults and their families. Works with court mandated cases with individuals, family reunification and co-parenting. Assists parent facilitators and parent coordinators when necessary.

Beacon Health Options , Cypress, CA Clinical Care Manager	March 2019 to March, 2020
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Responsible for triaging, assessing, and providing case management services to members referred to Case Management who may be high risk, at significant clinical risk, or under-utilizing services.

Center for Discovery , Whittier, CA Primary Therapist	November, 2015 to March 2019
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Utilized evidenced based theories to treat suicidality, homicidality, self-harm, trauma and substance abuse behaviors among at-risk adolescents in a residential treatment center. Worked with clients in individual, family and group sessions. Provided utilization reviews for insurance companies and Joint Commission adherence.

Marc Kitano, LMFT, La Habra, CA
Therapist

August, 2018 to
March, 2019

Private practice treating teens, adults and their families.

Inspired Resolutions, Yorba Linda, CA
Primary Therapist

January, 2018 to
August, 2018

Private practice treating teens, adults and their families along with young men who aged out of the foster system.

Hope Counseling Center, Anaheim, CA
MFT Trainee

December, 2013 to
January, 2015

Treated children, adolescents, individuals, couples and families for a multitude of mental health challenges in a community counseling center

Mental Health America, Long Beach, CA
Personal Service Coordinator

October, 2013 to
December 2013

Assisted homeless individuals and veterans with mental illness in locating and obtaining requested services, including housing, food, health care, substance abuse treatment, benefits, entitlements, etc. Conducted outreach to homeless, mentally ill individuals. Colaborated with clients in developing a personal service plan that identified and reflected the member's personal needs and goals.

Gateways Hospital, Echo Park, CA
Paraprofessional Counselor

March, 2013 to
November 2013

Displayed ability to be objective, stable and firm with clients who have a history of criminal behavior and who have psychiatric disabilities. Monitored client behavior and reported all relevant information. Conducted drug and alcohol screening of the clients. Initiated and investigate disciplinary action. Dispensed medications.

Architectural Designer/Project Manager

1997 to
2015

In various firms, provided architectural design, estimates and product documentation through closeout. Designed using variety of CAD software packages. Responsible for purchasing materials and project planning. Managed fabrication and construction crews. Maintained accounting utilizing Quickbooks. Maintained and administered Windows network. Delegated to subcontractors.