**BRANNON STEINER La FORCE**

**Licensed Mental Health Professional in California, Texas, & Kansas**

**Residing in San Rafael, California**

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

***Brannon La Force, LPC-S & Associates***  *December, 2009--Present*

*Senior Clinician*

* Supervise Administrative Assistant
* Manage Business Plan and Budget for Practice
* Implement and Manage Marketing Plan
* Negotiate Managed Care Contracts along with Preferred Provider Contracts
* Provide Psychotherapy to An Average of 15 Clients per Week
* Lead a Dialectical Behavior Therapy Group

***St Dymphna Global Resources*** *April, 2018---Present*

*Executive Director*

* Provide Telemedicine at Little or No Cost to Clients in Ukraine, Rwanda and Uganda
* Supervise Therapists and Coordinators Providing Treatment

***Texas Health Resources*** *September, 2013—October, 2019*

*Mobile Crisis Clinician*

* Assessed Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Patients in Both the Emergency Department and Medical Floors
* Secured Appropriate Dispositions for These Patients

*Behavioral Health Transfer Specialist/PRN December, 2013 to September, 2018*

* Interfaced with Medical Staff and Administrators to Obtain Successful Transfers of Psychiatric Patients from Emergency Room and Medical Beds to Inpatient Psychiatric Care

*Inpatient and Outpatient Therapist/PRN September, 2016 to September, 2018*

* Provided Psychotherapy and Case Management for Inpatient and Outpatient Psychiatric Patients at the Arlington Memorial Campus of Texas Health Resources

***Highland Middle School*** *November to December, 2018*

*Intervention Counselor (Substitute)*

* Provided Short Term Crisis Counseling to Middle School Students and Their Parents as well as Consultation to Faculty and Staff

***Lone Star Solutions*** *November, 2013—January, 2015*

*Therapist*

* Provide Individual, Couples and Family Therapy

***Optum Health*** *September, 2012-September, 2013*

*Care Advocate*

* Manage Care Coordination Caseload of 56 Clients with Mental Health and/or Substance Abuse Diagnoses with an Engagement Rate of 53%
* Conduct Initial and Concurrent Facility Based Insurance Reviews for All Levels of Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Treatment Completing an Average of Five Reviews Daily
* Collaborate with Optum Medical Team for Effective Medical and Behavioral Integration for Approximately 15% of Caseload

***Cigna Behavioral Health*** *June, 2011—August, 2012*

*Care Manager*

* Conducted Initial and Concurrent Facility Based Insurance Reviews for All Levels of Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Treatment Completing an Average of 15 Reviews Daily

***Galaxy Counseling Center*** *September, 2009—October, 2010*

*Associate Clinical Director*

* Oversaw Four Clinical Programs Ensuring High Quality Services and Supervised 30+ Clinicians
* Developed and Implemented ADHD and Neuropsychological Assessment Program
* Developed and Updated Agency’s Clinical Policies and Procedures as Necessary in Compliance with State Legal and Ethical Guidelines

***Adapt Community Solutions*** *March, 2010—September, 2010*

*Mobile Assessment Clinician*

* Conducted an Average of 16 On Site Assessments Over Two 10 Hour Weekend Shifts Covering a Seven County Catchment Area for Individuals with Psychiatric Emergencies

***St. Bart’s Place*** *June, 2009—September, 2009*

*Licensed Professional Counselor*

* Provided Individual, Couple, Family and Group Psychotherapy
* Conducted Psychological Assessment and Evaluation

***Disability Services QLD, Specialist Response Service****November, 2008—May, 2009*

*Senior Clinician*

* Maintained an Average Caseload of Ten Intellectually Disadvantaged Adults with Challenging Behaviors
* Undertook Behavioral Analysis, Functional Assessment, and Other Assessments as Part of a Multidisciplinary Team
* Developed Evidence-Based Positive Interventions and Strategies that Contributed to Positive Behavior Support Plans Which Support the Individual Support Plans Developed by Accommodation and Lifestyle Service Providers
* Contributed to Monitoring and Review of the Implementation of Individual Positive Support Plans
* Worked Collaboratively with the Clients’ Service Provider Who Facilitated Active Engagement of Family and Natural Networks of the Client
* Provided Instruction to Direct Support Staff on the Implementation of the Positive Behavior Support Plan and Collected Data to Inform, Monitor, and Review the Plan
* Provided Advice to SRS Clinicians and Client Support Teams in Relation to Assessments, Positive Intervention Strategies, and Positive Behavior Support Plans

***Castlebrook Counseling, Inc.*** *February, 1991—November, 2008*

*Founder and Senior Clinician*

* Owned and Operated all Aspects of This Private Counseling Practice Where an Average of 85 Psychotherapy Sessions Were Conducted Each Week Grossing $250,000 Annually.
* Supervised Nine Therapists
* Oversaw Secondary Office of Two in Robertsdale, AL
* Administered all Business Office Operations
* Supervised Certified Psychometrist and Administered Psychological Assessments Including Neuropsychological Assessments
* Pursued and Negotiated Managed Care Contracts with Insurance Companies and Preferred Provider Contracts with Key Referral Groups
* Facilitated a Variety of Groups
	+ *Living Waters,* a 30 Week Co-ed Program for Individuals with Sexual Abuse, Sexual Addiction, Emotional Dependencies, and Relational Difficulties (1992-2004); 750 Individuals Completed This Program
	+ *Men of Honor,* a 20 Week Group to Enable Men to Establish a Life Purpose Statement, Life Goals, Build Relational Skills, and Practice Accountability (2004 to 2007)
	+ *Falling Forward,* A 20 Week Group for Men with Sexual Addiction (2002 to 2004))
	+ *Faithful and True,* A 12 Week Group for Men with Sexual Addiction (1997 to 2001)
	+ *Dialectical Behavior Therapy Group,* A Group for Individuals with Borderline Personality Disorder (2001, 2007, 2008, & 2017)
* Lead Conferences and Workshops (Parenting, Grief, Sexuality, Stress Management)
* Provided Expert Testimony in both Domestic and Sex Offender Cases

***Larned State Hospital*** *September, 2006—August, 2007* *Human Services Counselor (Internship)*

* Served as Treatment Team Leader for a Team of Ten for the Competency to Stand Trial Unit Housing 30 Patients with the State Security Program
* Provided Competency and Neuropsychological Assessment and Treatment of Forensic and TBI Patients Remanded to Treatment by the District Courts of the State of Kansas for Competency Evaluations, Care and Treatment
* Additional Rotations Included:
	+ *Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility*

Position: Mental Health Professional

Provided Mental Health Treatment to 30 High Risk Segregated Inmates from the Kansas Department of Corrections in an Effort to Reintegrate Them into the General Prison Population

* + *Sexual Predator Treatment Program, Larned State Hospital*

Position: Human Services Counselor

Provided Treatment & Assessment for 13 Post Adjudicated Sexual Predators

***Larned State Hospital*** *December, 2005—August, 2006*

*Human Services Counselor (Practicum)*

* Provided Assessment and Treatment for Patients on the General Forensic Unit

***Walden University***  *August, 2004—March, 2006*

*Graduate Assistant for Field Training*

* Maintained Policy and Procedure for Practicum and Internship for PhD Psychology Students
* Assisted PhD Students in Locating, Securing, and Completing Practicum and Internship Experiences

***Springhill College*** *1996 to 1999 Adjunct Instructor*

* Taught Undergraduate General Psychology and Abnormal Psychology

***New Haven Programs, PC*** *1991 to 1992*

*Administrator and Therapist*

* Developed Budget and Programs
* Developed and Implemented Marketing Strategies
* Provided Inpatient and Outpatient Therapy
* Supervised Office Staff of Two
* Conducted Professional Counseling Seminars

***Charter Hospital of Mobile***  *1989 to 1991*

*Manager, Needs Assessment and Referral Center*

* Conducted Crisis Evaluations of Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Patients
* Supervised Six Crisis Counselors in 24-hour Intake Office
* Supervised Utilization Review Department of Two
* Coordinated Chapel Services for Children, Adolescents, and Adults
* Served as Liaison between Clergy and Hospital
* Developed and Implemented Marketing Strategies
* Led Professional Workshops and Seminars
* Hosted Live Call in Radio Talk Show
* Recruited and Interviewed Extensively for Clinical Positions
* Provided Outpatient Therapy

**EDUCATION**

**Licensure & Certification**

* Licensed Professional Counselor —State of Texas, License 65444
* Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor—State of Kansas License 354
* Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor—State of California, License 7656
* Licensed Professional Counselor—State of Alabama, License 1029 (1992 to 2015)
* Certified Counseling Supervisor—State of Alabama, Certification 258 (1997 to 2015)
* Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training, 2019
* Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Certification, 2008
* Certified CPR Training, 2010
* Certified First Aid Training, 2010
* Certified Crisis Intervention Training, 2010

**College & Universities**

* Doctor of Philosophy, (ABD)

Walden University, Minneapolis, MN Clinical & Health Psychology

Research*: The Efficacy of Emofree for the Treatment of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder in*

*Rwandan Genocide Survivors as Measured by the Posttraumatic Stress Diagnostic Scale*

* Master of Science, 1989

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL Agency Counseling

* Bachelor of Arts, 1985

Asbury College, Wilmore, KY Major: History Minor: Philosophy

**Research**

I conducted research in Kigali, Rwanda in March – April, 2008 to determine whether self-acupressure ameliorates the symptoms of PTSD in Rwandan genocide survivors. Individuals from three groups: young adults from child-headed households, clergy from the Anglican Church, and adults from Maranyundo (southern Rwanda) were each given pre and post-tests of the Posttraumatic Stress Diagnostic Scale. The child-headed household group and the adults from southern Rwanda were given an intervention called Emofree (self-acupressure or tapping) and were instructed to use this technique when they were troubled by any of what had happened to them as a result of the genocide. The clergy group was not given the intervention. In addition to the treatment, each participant was interviewed and allowed to “tell his or her story.”

**Honors & Awards**

* Psi Chi Psychology Honor Society, 2005
* Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society in Education, 1989
* Who’s Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, 1985
* Phi Alpha Theta, International Honor Society in History, 1983

**Working for Social Change**

I coordinate a yearly trip to East Africa to provide medical and mental health treatment to individuals in rural areas, particularly those living with HIV.