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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Public Administration (Business Administration), Northcentral University

Doctoral Dissertation: Administrative-Adjudicative Stakeholders' Perceptions of How to Diminish Administrative-Adjudicative Corruption

Master of Science in (Vocational) Rehabilitation Counseling, Western Oregon University

Bachelor of Social Science, Portland State University

Associate of Arts General Studies, English, Interpersonal Communication, Public Speaking, Elizabethtown Community College

Spanish Language - 3 courses, Google Translate

EMPLOYMENT

Private (Senior) Vocational Expert 2016 - 2019, 2024 - Present

Refute testimony of other experts using vocational expert sources under SSA administrative notice including:

- ***Bureau of Census***
- ***Occupational Outlook Handbook***
- ***State Employment Agencies & Labor Market Information Systems***

- **Occupational Information Network (O*NET).**
- **Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT)**

Indeed.com is the most comprehensive employment search engine on today's market that uses web-crawling spiders to extract job postings from most other such engines.

Although SkillTran is not taken under administrative notice, it is one of my available resources.

Counseling / Consulting

Briefs (Summaries of the Case)

Interrogatories

Deposition / Court Testimony: Provide vocational expert witness service by video teleconferencing (VTC) or over the phone.

Transferable Skills Analysis

Labor Market Surveys

Owner | Program Manager | Administrator

The Job Lady, Inc. Vocational Consultants, 06/2005 – 12/2019 +

14+ years' experience developing and managing a private vocational rehabilitation organization

Developed & implemented policies & standard operating procedures

Prepared Vocational Consultants for Vocational Rehabilitation Contracting

Hired & supervised staff, including vocational consultants, job developers, & administrative staff

Directed, oversaw, supervised multiple contracts including:

Vocational Rehabilitation Consultant Contractor

***U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) Vocational Rehabilitation & Education
Division 01/2008 – 01/2011***

Applied The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 & ADA

Conducted Medical-Vocational Assessment of veterans & military service-members

Technical grant-writing (Developed bid proposals in response to federal & state RFPs/Solicitations with adherence to state practice & legislative direction)

State of Oregon Department of Human Services Office of Vocational Rehabilitation: Multiple offices including those in Marion, Multnomah, Yamhill, Tillamook, Benton, & Lane Counties 01/2005 – 01/2013

Job development & job-coaching services to people with profound mental & physical disabilities & including felons & unhoused

Applied medical aspects of disability to local labor market

Focus on outreach development relationships with employers

84% placement

State of Oregon Commission for the Blind 01/2013 – 01/2016

Developed client business plans

Applied Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) regulation to provide training & employment opportunities to adult unemployed & underemployed individuals.

Determined Eligibility | Administer Assessments | Manage a Caseload

Developed Individual Plan of Employment (IEP)

Counseling | Resource Referrals

Developed On-the-Job Training & Work Experience business relationships

Grant-writing (preparing project plans consistent with state practice & legislation)

Proficient in ITrac Information Management System

Social Security Disability Representative (Non-Attorney) & Allsup, Inc.

**U.S. Social Security Administration Office of Disability Adjudication & Review
(ODAR) 08/2011 – 12/2016**

Applied administrative law, including Title XVI of the Social Security Act, especially, the Medical-Vocational Guidelines (grid rules) & the listings of impairments, The Rehabilitation Act of 1970 & The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990

Presented case argument to administrative law judges in administrative-adjudicative hearings

Cross-examined Vocational & Medical Experts

Keen understanding of medical records application & review in relation to rules & regulations

Assessment of physical & mental residual functional capacities

Prepared briefs (Summary of the case) that met the Sequential Evaluation Process & pointed to exhibits for each client

Filed appeals for reconsideration, appeal requests for hearings before administrative law judges, & appeals to The Appeals Council.

84% Award Rate, very high among Social Security Disability Attorneys & Representatives.

Vocational Expert Witness Contractor

**U.S. Social Security Administration Office of Disability Adjudication & Review
10/2010 – 08/2011**

Testified in social security disability hearings

Answered administrative law judges based on understanding of medical aspects of disability in comparing medical limitations to regional & national labor market

Underwent cross-examination of attorneys & medical experts

United States Army Veteran 07/10/1984 – 05/23/1987

Counter-Signals Intelligence Specialist & Administrative Specialist

Headquarters, 124th Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Stewart, Georgia

Army Achievement Medal | Army Good Conduct Medal

Monitored military radio & telephone communications for breaches in classified information. Held top-secret security clearance & was "read-on" for higher, including "eyes only" material.

Thank you for your consideration.

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