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**LICENSURE AND EDUCATION:**

Licensure in Clinical Psychology, Florida PY 7803 (September 2008 to present)  
(past licenses held in North Carolina and Alabama, in good standing)

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Forensic Psychology, Pretrial Evaluation Center,  
Dorothea Dix Hospital, Raleigh, North Carolina (October 2007 to August 2008)

Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.) in Clinical Psychology with Concentration in  
Forensic Psychology, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
(September 1997 to June 2003)

Master of Science in Clinical Psychology, Nova Southeastern University,  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida (September 1997 to April 2000)

Master of Arts in Forensic Psychology, John Jay College of Criminal Justice,  
New York, New York (February 1993 to June 1995)

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia  
(September 1988 to May 1992)

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

Licensed Psychologist, Sunrise, Florida. Conduct various forensic psychological evaluations including criminal and civil competency, criminal responsibility, death penalty mitigation, downward departure, immigration, fitness for duty, personal injury, and short and long-term disability. Also provide consultative services for attorneys and review professional work products [January 2009 to present].

Forensic Psychologist, Treasure Coast Forensic Treatment Center, Indiantown, Florida. Provided assessment and consultative services for maximum security forensic psychiatric hospital serving the entire state of Florida. Primary duties included evaluating residents for competency to proceed and level of risk in less restrictive environments, submitting reports to the court, and providing related recommendations to treatment teams and administrators (October 2018 to November 2020).

Staff Psychologist, South Florida State Hospital, Pembroke Pines, Florida. Primary responsibilities included conducting competency evaluations and risk assessments at a state hospital housing over three hundred civil and forensic psychiatric inpatients, and writing reports to the court. Provided

recommendations to treatment team and community liaisons concerning forensic patients' overall stability, for inclusion in conditional release plans. Served as member of hospital's forensic review committee, at which time prospective dispositions were further discussed. Provided individual and group forensic supervision to interns in APA-accredited doctoral training program. Conducted individual psychotherapy and psychological testing (December 2009 to February 2011).

Forensic Psychologist, South Florida Evaluation and Treatment Center, Florida City, Florida. Served as unit psychologist for two wards in a maximum security forensic psychiatric hospital housing over two hundred patients charged with felonies. Evaluated competency and level of risk in patients who had been involuntarily committed due to being found incompetent to stand trial or not guilty by reason of insanity. Submitted reports to court that recommended return to jail, continued stay, or transfer to less restrictive facilities. Provided courtroom testimony as needed (September 2008 to December 2009).

Clinical Psychologist, Tennessee Valley HealthCare System, Department of Veterans' Affairs, Nashville, Tennessee. Designed and implemented clinical administrative procedures as chief of new outpatient VA clinic serving active duty soldiers of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Conducted individual and group psychotherapy, psychological assessments, and fitness for duty evaluations to promote soldier and unit readiness (July 2006 to August 2007).

Chief, Adult Behavioral Health, Department of Behavioral Health, Blanchfield Army Community Hospital, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Coordinated services and formulated policies for clinic serving active duty soldiers, family members and retirees. Served as interim department chief, which included management of two additional clinics (i.e., Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Services (CAPS)) (October 2005 to July 2006).

Operational Psychologist, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force (CJSOTF) – Iraq. Consulted with commanders on military operations and personnel concerns. Advised policymakers on organizational dynamics and the role of human behavior in the context of detention operations. Served as chairman of international panel coordinating assessment and selection for the Army Special Forces Group in Iraq (May to September 2005).

Brigade Mental Health Officer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, Kandahar, Afghanistan. Provided clinical services to coalition forces, civilian contractors and Afghan National Army soldiers at forward operating bases and field hospitals. Evaluated fitness for duty and coordinated medical evacuation procedures, as clinically indicated (February to March 2005).

Clinical Psychologist, Department of Behavioral Health, Blanchfield Army Community Hospital, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Utilized forensic skills as installation's Sanity Board officer, conducting criminal responsibility evaluations on soldiers accused of misconduct. Developed comprehensive clinical assessments to improve services for active-duty soldiers returning from

Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. Provided individual and group psychotherapy, psychological evaluations, risk assessments, fitness for duty evaluations, walk-in services, and emergency room assessments (November 2003 to January 2005).

**PROFESSIONAL TRAINING:**

Postdoctoral Fellow in Forensic Psychology, Pretrial Evaluation Center, Dorothea Dix Hospital, Raleigh, North Carolina. Conducted comprehensive forensic evaluations on misdemeanor and felony defendants addressing various issues including competency to stand trial, mental state at the time of the offense, and diminished capacity (October 2007 to August 2008).

Clinical Psychology Intern, Department of Psychology, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, DC (APA Approved Program). Completed rotations in inpatient psychological assessment, military psychology, neuropsychology and health psychology (June 2002 to June 2003).

Clinical Psychology Trainee, 45<sup>th</sup> Street Mental Health Center, West Palm Beach, Florida. Performed psychological evaluations to identify clinical and organic influences in clients suspected of having schizophrenia, dementia and mental retardation. Conducted individual and group psychotherapy (September 1999 to August 2000).

Forensic Psychology Trainee, Broward County Public Defender's Office, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Performed forensic evaluations on felony defendants focusing on competency, criminal responsibility, and malingering. Provided testimony during preliminary hearings and formal courtroom proceedings to assist in case resolution. Assessed level of dangerousness of psychiatric inpatients on 72-hour hold (October 1998 to August 1999).

Clinical Neuropsychology Trainee, Department of Neuropsychology, Ryder Trauma Center, Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida. Conducted outpatient and inpatient neuropsychological evaluations on patients with a wide range of organic impairments, including traumatic brain injury and metabolic disorders (August to October 1998).

Clinical Psychology Trainee, Youth Counseling Center, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Received training in various forms of behavior therapy for treating substance abuse and conduct disorder in adolescents (January to May 1998).

Clinical Neuropsychology Trainee, Department of Neurology, Stony Brook University Medical Center, Stony Brook, New York. Administered comprehensive pediatric and adult neuropsychological evaluations. Assessed children and adults with learning disabilities, pervasive developmental disorders, epilepsy, metabolic disorders, and traumatic brain injury (May to October 1994).

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:**

Group Therapist, Center for Offender Rehabilitation and Education, Broward County Jail, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Co-facilitated therapy group centering on anger management and social skills training for inmates incarcerated for drug offenses (September to December 1997).

Clinical Neuropsychology Extern, Brain Injury Day Treatment Program, Rusk Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine, New York University Medical Center, New York, New York. Developed, administered, and evaluated efficacy of cognitive remedial interventions for brain-injured adults. Administered comprehensive neuropsychological evaluations and wrote reports. Conducted holistic therapy focusing on cognitive and interpersonal skills retraining. Co-facilitated family support groups (March 1996 to July 1997).

**ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE:**

Forensic Technician, Family Institute: Addictionology, Psychology and Wellness, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Performed forensic evaluations on inmates with substance abuse histories to assist in determining whether they met criteria for downward departure (December 1999 to April 2000).

Behavioral Therapist, Medi-Nurse Behavioral Health, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Provided residential therapy to elementary school and adolescent children. Became adept in numerous behavioral and clinical interventions, including contingency management, play therapy, parenting skills, role-play and communication training (June to September 1998).

Psychology Technician, Jeffrey Beck, Ph.D., Brooklyn, New York. Conducted psychological evaluations on patients with neurological and emotional trauma at various medical centers (January 1995 to July 1997).

Consultant, Cosworth Intelligence Controls, Novi, Michigan. Analyzed management strategies of newly acquired high-performance engine firm to identify potential operational problems for purchasing company. Administered intelligence tests and conducted structured interviews to assess aptitude levels of managerial candidates (October 1995, January 1997).

Consultant, National Freight Consortium, Chicago, Illinois. Conducted personality assessments and structured interviews with executives to determine suitability for admission to international senior management program (August 1994).

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:**

Psychology Technician, Program for the Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (PSED), Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Conducted psychological evaluations on outpatients with psychotic disorders as part of longitudinal study to determine clinical progress over a two-year treatment period (July 1999 to April 2000).

Neuropsychology Technician, Neuropsychological Assessment Center, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Conducted psychological evaluations on children with Attention Deficit-Hyperactivity Disorder as part of study to determine whether premorbid cognitive functioning was a prognostic indicator of group treatment outcome (March to September 1999).

Neuropsychology Technician, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Conducted baseline neuropsychological assessments on professional hockey players in federal research study investigating cognitive sequelae of concussions (September 1998).

Research Assistant, Department of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Developed informed consent form for study that investigated whether head-injured patients who received psychoeducational materials on postmorbid aggression displayed less anger than those who did not receive such materials (February to April 1998).

Research Assistant, Brain Injury Day Treatment Program, Rusk Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine, New York University Medical Center, New York, New York. Collected data on neuropsychological tests administered to over four hundred adults with traumatic brain injury, and conducted preliminary statistical analyses to determine tests' potential value as screening battery for frontal lobe disinhibition (March to July 1997).

Neuropsychology Technician, Hillside Hospital, Department of Psychology, Long Island Jewish Medical Center, New Hyde Park, New York. Administered neuropsychological batteries to outpatients with negative symptoms of schizophrenia to identify potential cognitive effects of antidepressant medications (December 1994 to March 1995).

Neuropsychology Technician, Department of Neurology, Stony Brook University Medical Center, Stony Brook, New York. Administered neuropsychological batteries as part of study investigating effects of differential pharmacological interventions on cognitive sequelae of pediatric AIDS population (June to September 1994).

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Assistant Professor, Albizu University, Doral, Florida. Constructed and taught doctoral-level coursework for graduate students, both in the general Psy.D. program and forensic concentration. Additional responsibilities included supervising students on research projects and serving on the department's admission committee (December 2021 to August 2023).

Teaching Associate, Department of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Assisted in teaching three doctoral-level courses entitled *Objective Personality Assessment*, *Projective Techniques*, and *Intelligence Testing* (August 2000 to April 2001).

Teaching Associate, Department of Psychology, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, New York. Assisted in teaching two masters-level courses entitled *Treatment and Rehabilitation of the Offender* and *Neuropsychology* (September 1996 to May 1997).

**PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS:**

Mleko, A.L., Espe-Pfeifer, P., Mahrou, M.L., Selden, J., Jalazo, M., & Golden, C.J. (2000, November). Relationship between the MMPI-2 and neurocognitive measures in dementia. Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology, 15(8), 735.

Jalazo, M.J., Sanders, C.E., Espe-Pfeifer, P.B., Bradley, J., Mahrou, M.L., Backhaus, S.D., Dornheim, L., Proctor-Weber, Z., Calabria, M., Selden, J., Pospisil, T., King, J., & Golden, C.J. (1999, November). Evaluating problem-solving efficiency in school-age children with Attention Deficit-Hyperactivity Disorder. Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology, 14(8), 693-694. Poster session presented at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the National Academy of Neuropsychology, San Antonio, TX.

Espe-Pfeifer, P.B., Devaraju-Backhaus, S., Mahrou, M.L., Dornheim, L., Proctor-Weber, Z., King, J., Jalazo, M.J., Calabria, M., Selden, J., Sanders, C. E., & Golden, C.J. (1999, November). Frontal lobe functioning in children with Attention Deficit-Hyperactivity Disorder. Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology, 14(8), 693. Poster session presented at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the National Academy of Neuropsychology, San Antonio, TX.

Petersen, R.S., Cooper, J.T., Strauman, S., Essig, S.M., Jalazo, M.J., & Mittenberg, W. (1999, August). Selection criteria for clinical neuropsychology internships. The Clinical Neuropsychologist, 13(2), 240. Poster session presented at the 107<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA (Blue Ribbon Award Winner).

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Teichner, G., Crum, T.A., Donohue, B., Golden, C.J., Azrin, N.H., Lawson, H., & Jalazo, M.J. (1998, August). Relating adolescent substance use to neuropsychological functioning: Implications for prevention and intervention strategies. Poster session presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Washington, DC.

Teichner, G., Azrin, N.H., Donohue, B., Rodriguez, D., Burgard, J., Jalazo, M.J., & Toribio, E. (1998, August). Decreasing drug use in adolescent substance abusers: What behavioral interventions do these youth think will decrease their use? Poster session presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Washington, DC.

**SYMPOSIA:**

Jalazo, M.J. (2009, October). Ethical Considerations When Practicing Forensic Psychology. Symposium conducted for Department of Psychology, South Florida State Hospital, Pembroke Pines, FL.

Jalazo, M.J. (2009, February). Assessment of Delusional Disorder in Competency Evaluations. Symposium conducted for Department of Psychology, South Florida Evaluation and Treatment Center, Florida City, FL.

Jalazo, M.J. (2008, October). Assessment of Bipolar Disorder in Competency Evaluations. Symposium conducted for Department of Psychology, South Florida Evaluation and Treatment Center, Florida City, FL.

Jalazo, M.J. (2008, June). Ethics in Forensic Psychology. Symposium conducted for Department of Forensic Psychiatry, Dorothea Dix Hospital, Raleigh, NC.

Jalazo, M.J. (2008, April). Primer on Forensic Psychological Testing. Symposium conducted for Department of Forensic Psychiatry, Dorothea Dix Hospital, Raleigh, NC.

Jalazo, M.J. (2004, March). Identification and Treatment of Combat Stress. Symposium conducted for Department of Psychiatry, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI.

Jalazo, M.J. (2004, January). Recognizing and Responding to Acute and Posttraumatic Stress in the Military Healthcare Community. Symposium conducted at Academic Day, Blanchfield Army Community Hospital, Fort Campbell, KY.

Jalazo, M.J. (2003, May). Trauma Assessments. Symposium conducted at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Department of Psychology, Washington, DC.

Shapiro, D., Ongley, J., Zucker, M., & Jalazo, M.J. (2001, December). Sex offenders: Trauma victims and perpetrators. Symposium conducted at the 17<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies, New Orleans, LA.

Walker, L.E.A., Jalazo, M.J., Levant, R., Seligson, M.R., & Shapiro, D. (2001, March). Mental health courts and the independent practitioner. Symposium conducted at the meeting of the Division of Psychologists in Independent Practice, Division 42 of the American Psychological Association, Miami, FL.

Jalazo, M.J. (1996, December). Administration and interpretation of the WAIS-III versus WAIS-R. Symposium conducted at New York University Medical Center, Rusk Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine, Brain Injury Day Treatment Program, New York, NY.