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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I have been a practicing psychiatrist for over 15 years and a Board-Certified Forensic Psychiatrist since 2011. I routinely conduct forensic expert witness assessments and provide my opinions by written report and testimony, including over 40 times in which I've testified as a qualified Disclosed Expert Witness. I've otherwise offered forensic assessments in hundreds of cases that settled without proceeding to trial.

As both a practitioner and an expert witness, I understand the importance of maintaining my expertise by staying clinically active in psychiatry. I maintain my clinical skills and experience through my work with Rush University Medical Center in Chicago. My main role at Rush is leading their psychiatric consultation services at their community based medical center, Rush Oak Park Hospital.

I believe that an effective expert witness must possess the ability to educate and inform and do so in a clear manner. Not only do I routinely educate and guide family members, other physicians, and allied health staff regarding the assessment and treatment of mental disorders, I also serve as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at Rush Medical College, one of the largest medical schools in Chicago. I teach psychiatry residents in topics related to psychiatry and the law and also psychiatry in medicine. In addition, I interview prospective medical students in my role on the Medical Admissions Committee. These positions and experiences have enabled me to hone my ability to teach, advise, and communicate to diverse audiences.

BOARD CERTIFICATION & LICENSURE

Board Certified in General Adult Psychiatry
American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, June 2010. Certificate 61111

Board Certified in Forensic Psychiatry
American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, June 2011. Certificate 1817

Illinois Medical License: 036.123835

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2009-Present **Monica Argumedo, M.D., Private Forensic Practice as a Board-Certified Forensic and Clinical Psychiatrist**

Forensic Independent Medical Examinations and Testimony.

Testimony given in more than 40 cases and rendered forensic opinions in many more cases that settled.

Court-qualified Expert Witness and Forensic Consultant to attorneys in civil and criminal matters for over 10 years.

Fitness for Duty evaluations. Return to Work and Accommodation recommendations for private and public employers including Cities and Counties, Police and First Responders.

Competency evaluations.

Firearm Owner Identification reinstatement assessments.

Court Appointed Forensic Psychiatrist, Cook County Criminal Courts/Office of the Chief Judge, Chicago, IL (2009-2011)

Forensic evaluation and reports of findings, rendered professional opinions in the areas of competency to stand trial, criminal responsibility, conditional release, and understanding of Miranda rights for Cook County Criminal Courts.

2018-present

Rush Oak Park Hospital, Rush University Medical Centers Chicago, IL/Oak Park, IL

Consult-Liaison Psychiatrist for Rush Oak Park Hospital

Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry, Rush Medical College, Rush University Medical Center, teaching medical students and residents regarding behavioral health conditions and psychiatry and the law. Chicago, IL

Member, Medical Admissions Committee, Rush Medical College

Patient care, hospitalized patients with behavioral health disorders at Rush Oak Park Hospital. Also, a weekly outpatient clinic where I treat patients who suffer from behavioral health conditions.

Educator to patients, family members, physician colleagues, and hospital staff regarding behavioral health conditions, assessment, diagnosis and treatment.

Medical and psychiatric oversight; consulting doctor to colleague physicians at Rush Oak Park Hospital

2018-2019

Thrive Counseling Center, Clinical Psychiatrist, Oak Park, IL

- 2011-2018 **AMITA Health/ Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital and St. Alexius Medical Center, Acute Care Hospitals, Hoffman Estates, IL**
- Clinical Psychiatrist**
- Director**, *Consultation/Liaison Psychiatry Service, 2012-2016*
- Director**, *Access Department, Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital, Patient entry point psychiatric assessment, 2012-2016*
- Patient care**, hospitalized patients with behavioral health disorders at Alexian Brothers Medical Center and St. Alexius Medical Center
- Educator** to patients, family members, physician colleagues, and hospital staff regarding behavioral health conditions in a medical setting
- Supervise** and collaborate with Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners
- Medical and psychiatric oversight**; consulting doctor to colleague physicians at Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital.
- 2016-present **eQHealth Solutions. Inc.**, Lombard, IL
Physician peer-to-peer reviews of IL psychiatric services provided.
- 2009-2011 **Forensic Clinical Services**
Cook County Criminal Courts/Office of the Chief Judge, Chicago, IL
Forensic Psychiatrist
- Forensic evaluation and reports of findings**, rendered professional opinions in the areas of competency to stand trial, criminal responsibility, conditional release, and understanding of Miranda rights for Cook County Criminal Courts.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION & TRAINING

Forensic Psychiatry Fellow, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI (2008-2009)

Chief Resident, Department of Psychiatry
Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC (2007-2008)

Resident in Psychiatry, Georgetown University Hospital,
Washington, DC (2004-2008)

EDUCATION

Doctor of Medicine
University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign (2004)

Bachelor of Arts English/Pre-Medical Studies, University of Illinois at
Urbana-Champaign (1996)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2018-present Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Rush University
Medical College/Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL
- Sept. 2018 “*Understanding Seasonal Affective Disorder and Treatment*”
Invited Speaker
Rush Oak Park Hospital Classes and Events
- Sept. 2017 “*Posttraumatic Stress Disorder*”
Invited Speaker
Power & Cronin, LTD, 2017 Annual Medical-Legal Seminar
- 2013-2015 Member, Graduate Medical Education Committee
Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital
- Sept. 2015 “*Update in the Management of Alcohol Withdrawal*”
Continuing Medical Education Presentation
Internal Medicine Department, Alexian Brothers Medical Center
- May 2012 “*Decision-Making Capacity*”
Continuing Medical Education Presentation
Internal Medicine Department, Alexian Brothers Medical Center
- 2007-2008 Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC
Psychiatric Inpatient Service
- “Introduction to DSM-IV Diagnosis”
Course for First Year Psychiatry Residents
Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC
- Clinical Supervision of:
First and Second Year Psychiatry Residents
Acting Interns in Psychiatry Clerkships and Junior Medical Students
Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC

PUBLICATIONS, AWARDS and PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Mack AH, Barros M. Forensic Psychiatry. In: Galanter M and Kleber H, eds: American Psychiatric Press Textbook of Substance Abuse Treatment, 4th Edition. American Psychiatric Press, Inc: Washington, DC, 2008.

String of Pearls Award, for excellence in teaching medical students in Psychiatry, Georgetown University School of Medicine Class of 2009, Washington, DC

American Psychiatric Association
American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law

**Fluent in Spanish*