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Vocational Expert Evaluation and Testimony: Retained expert for plaintiff and defense evaluation of personal injury, labor, medical malpractice, and family law cases. Conduct personal interview or forensic evaluation to determine employability and earning capacity based on educational and vocational history, aptitude testing, and record review. Apply empirical data in a comprehensive vocational evaluation detailed through report, summary of opinions, deposition, or trial testimony. Address employability issues as they relate to the regional labor market. Services have included labor market research to identify specific employment opportunities and to confirm local earnings potential on case specific basis. Confirmed as vocational expert for deposition and trial testimony in Superior, Family Law and U.S. District courts. Appointed Vocational Expert for Office of Disability Adjudication and Review, Social Security Administration. Affirmed as a vocational expert for the Worker's Compensation Appeals Board.

Vocational Rehabilitation: Direct industrially injured workers in return to work program that includes: aptitude and interest testing; counseling for vocational change; development of realistic goals; job seeking skills training; case reporting; initiate and respond to correspondence with physicians, attorneys, business owners, state agencies, etc. Conduct earnings capacity studies. Supervise and train counseling and administrative staff. Liaison with insurance companies, attorneys, physicians, and employers.

Job Analysis and Job Accommodation: Complete assessment of essential and marginal job functions at job site, review physical or emotional impairment, consult with employer regarding job modification or accommodation in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act and Fair Employment and Housing Act. Assess workstation and job tasks and recommend ergonomic adjustments, obtain materials, and oversee installation or adjustment.

EDUCATION:

M.A., Educational Psychology, Counseling and Guidance. California State University, Northridge. 1977.
B.A., Physical Education, California State University, Northridge. 1974.
Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification, Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, #5668, 1989.
American Board of Vocational Experts, Diplomate. 2005.
University of Florida, Life Care Planning. 2005.
American Board of Vocational Experts, Forensic Testimony, Conference, 2010.
American Board of Vocational Experts, Vocational Evaluation, Conference, 2009.
American Board of Vocational Experts, Diminished Future Earning Capacity Evaluation 2008.
OSHA Ergonomics Certificate. 2001.

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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION:

The REMAS Group, San Diego, California. 1984 to present.
Accredited Rehabilitation Consultants, San Diego, California. 1982-1984.
Verk Consultants, Eugene, Oregon. 1979-1981.
Comprehensive Rehabilitation Services, Eugene, Oregon. 1978-1979.
Diversified Vocational Services, Los Angeles, California. 1977-1978.
Insurance Education Association Instructor, 1986-1990 and 2005

CONSULTING & ASSOCIATIONS:

Social Security Administration, ODAR, Designated as Vocational Expert, 1994-Present
Syngnetics, Vocational Consultant for Veterans with disability or for discharge planning, 2008 – Present
California Department of Worker's Compensation, Independent Vocational Evaluator, 1985-2008
State of Alaska, Division of Workers Compensation, Authorized Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor
Florida Department of Education, Authorized Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor
Cal PERS designated as Expert Job Assessor for California Public Employees' Retirement System. 2005
Jewish Family Services, Designed and Implemented Job Seeking Skills Workshops, 2008 - 2009
International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals – California Chapter Board 2008-Present
California Association of Rehabilitation and Re-Employment Professionals, San Diego Chapter:
President 1997; Education Chair 1994; Forensic Section Representative 2005; Forensic Vocational
Expert designation
Carlsbad School District Personnel Commissioner 1992 – 1995
San Diego CALNARP Board Member 1988 - 1989

PRESENTATIONS & RESEARCH:

American Board of Vocational Experts. 03/27/10. What is Expected of a Vocational Expert When Testifying (panel moderator); Employment Law Panel (moderator). 2010 conference.
North San Diego County BAR Association, Vista, CA. 09/10/09. Employment Law: The Vocational Expert.
Collaborative Family Law Group of San Diego. 05/28/09. Vocational Evaluation.
International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, CA, Chapter. July 2009. DFEC Work Group: White Paper.
International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, CA, Chapter. May 2009. Chairperson: Amicus Curiae Brief Committee regarding Ogilvie and Almaraz/Guzman cases.
State of California, Administrative Law Division In-Service, San Diego, CA, 09/04/07. Understanding Disability.
North San Diego County BAR Association, Vista, CA. 08/30/07. Diminished Future Earning Capacity.
Council on Education in Management, San Diego, CA. 11/21/03. Light Work Programs.
California Applicant Attorney's Association, San Diego, CA. 08/15/03. LeBoeuf & Its Ramifications.

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California Applicant Attorney’s Association, Los Angeles, CA. 09/28/02 How to Hire an Expert.
Lorman Seminar, San Diego, CA. 02/14/02. Vocational Rehabilitation: Labor Code 139.5.
San Diego County BAR. 10/15/97. Vocational Rehabilitation-Ways Around the Cap.
CARRP/San Diego Worker’s Compensation Forum, 05/15/97. Effective Worker’s Compensation Case
Management, Moderator.
North County BAR – Worker’s Compensation Division, Vista, CA. 10/24/96. Translating the
Vocational Profile.
Risk & Insurance Management Society: Winds of Change Conference, San Diego, CA. 08/25/94.
Americans With Disabilities Act.
“An Explanation of Vocational Rehabilitation Benefits”, 1990, copyright.

In-Service Training for insurance companies and attorney firms including, but not limited to, Goldman,
Magdalin, and Krikes, State Compensation Insurance Fund, Insurance Company of the West, Law Offices of
O’Mara and Hampton, County of San Diego, Law Office of John Garcia, Fremont Compensation, UCSD Guest
Lecturer in Worker’s Compensation regarding Transferable Skills, California Association of Rehabilitation and
Re-employment Professionals, Insurance Education Association.