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Board-Certified, actively practicing Psychiatrist, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, and Neuroscience PhD specializing in independent medical-legal consultation, objective chart audits, and independent medical examinations (IMEs). Highly experienced in providing legally defensible expert witness depositions and courtroom testimony for complex civil torts, employment law, medical malpractice, and pharmaceutical liability litigation.

## Core Areas of Expertise

- A. **Civil Torts, Personal Injury & Causation:** Objective psychiatric evaluation of incident-related psychological trauma (including PTSD, Major Depressive Disorder, and Generalized Anxiety Disorder), severe emotional distress claims, and the determination of permanent psychiatric functional impairment.
- B. **Employment Law & Workplace Discrimination:** Forensic assessment of psychiatric injuries arising from wrongful termination, sexual harassment, hostile work environment claims, and statutory evaluations for fitness-for-duty and reasonable workplace accommodations.
- C. **Medical Malpractice & Institutional Standard of Care:** Objective clinical audits of inpatient psychiatric facility management, adherence to suicide risk assessment protocols, and psychiatric prescribing standard-of-care compliance.
- D. **Pharmaceutical & Interventional Device Product Liability:** Specialized expert analysis of adverse psychiatric drug events, multi-drug interactions, and clinical sequelae involving neuromodulation devices (such as TMS, ECT, and DBS protocols).

## **Forensic Consultation & Testimonial Experience**

July 2022 – Present | Independent Forensic Consultant Retained by plaintiff and defense counsel to provide independent medical examinations (IMEs), objective medical record reviews, standard-of-care audits, and legally defensible expert testimony at deposition and trial. Experienced in delivering clear, evidence-based opinions before the trier of fact in complex civil litigation.

## **Civil Torts & Labor / Employment Assessment**

- A. Independent Medical Examinations (IMEs) & Causation:** Formulates objective diagnostic evaluations to differentiate incident-related psychological trauma (PTSD, MDD, GAD) from pre-existing childhood developmental trauma, complex historical stressors, and other psychiatric comorbid conditions.
- B. Workplace Psychosocial Stressors & Employment Law:** Evaluation of emotional distress, situational anxiety, and functional impairment resulting from adverse employment actions, wrongful termination, public administrative actions, and workplace disputes.
- C. Differential Diagnosis of Adjustment & Mood Disorders:** Expert application of DSM-5-TR criteria to distinguish actionable, clinically significant psychiatric disorders from proportional, non-pathological emotional distress or normal responses to acute stressors.
- D. Proximate Causation & Chart Audits:** Conducts comprehensive clinical diagnostic evaluations and objective psychiatric chart audits to determine proximate legal causation in matters of complex personal injury, catastrophic civil torts, and institutional standard of care.

## **Advanced Forensic Methodology & Psychometrics**

- A. Objective Validity & Response Bias Assessment:** Specialized in the administration and clinical interpretation of multi-method objective psychometric testing to actively screen for over-reporting, under-reporting, malingering, and defensive presentation styles.

- B. Advanced Forensic Psychometrics:** Expert utilization of validated clinical instrumentation—including the MMPI-3, PCL-5, WHODAS 2.0, and GAD-7—to measure symptom severity, quantify functional social/occupational disability bands, and audit protocol validity.
- C. Collateral Sourcing Integration:** Utilizes structured multi-party collateral interviewing techniques (incorporating familial and professional accounts) to cross-verify subjective emotional distress claims against objective social and occupational baseline behaviors.

## Professional Experience & Clinical Training

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| July 2022 – Present  | Psychiatrist in Private Practice<br>Kennedy Psychiatric PC<br>1350 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, 10019  |
| May 2019 – Present   | Assistant Professor in Psychiatry<br>Department of Psychiatry<br>Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai  |
| May 2019 – Jul 2022  | Unit Chief Psychiatrist, Mount Sinai Medical Center<br>Klingenstein Clinical Center, 1450 Madison Avenue, New York, NY  |
| May 2019 – July 2022 | Attending Psychiatrist, Mount Sinai Medical Center<br>Klingenstein Clinical Center, 1450 Madison Avenue, New York, NY   |
| July 2018 – May 2019 | Attending Psychiatrist – Special Communications Unit<br>New York State Office of Mental Health, Rockland Psychiatric Center,<br>140 Old Orangeburg Road, Orangeburg NY, 10962 |
|                      | Instructor in Psychiatry<br>Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons<br>Columbia University in the City of New York   |

Jul 2014 – Jul 2018      Residency Training in Psychiatry: Physician-Scientist Track  
Department of Psychiatry, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai  
1. Gustave L. Levy Place, New York, NY 10029

Aug 2012 – Aug 2013      Neurosurgery – Specialist Training Registrar Level 1  
NHS England South West Deanery  
Frenchay Hospital, Bristol, United Kingdom, BS16 1LE

Aug 2010 – Aug 2011      Foundation Training Year 2 (FY2) Doctor  
Central Middlesex Hospital,  
London, United Kingdom, NW10 7NS

Aug 2009 – Aug 2010      Foundation Training Year 1 (FY1) Doctor  
West Middlesex University Hospital,  
London, United Kingdom, TW7 6AF

## **Education & Professional Appointments**

### Education

Sep 2005 – Jun 2009      Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MB BS)  
St George's, University of London,  
Cranmer Terrace, London, United Kingdom, SW17 0RE

Oct 2001 – Apr 2006      Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D) – Neurogenetics  
Imperial College London  
University of London, London, United Kingdom, SW7 2AZ

Sep 2000 – Feb 2002      Master of Science (M. Sc) – Neuroscience  
University of Manchester  
Oxford Road, Manchester, United Kingdom, M13 9PL

Sep 1995 – Jun 1999      Bachelor of Science (B. Sc Hons) Biochemistry  
University of Manchester  
Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL

## **Licensure**

2022 - present      California State Medical License  
2018 - present      New York State Medical License  
2018 - present      DEA Registration (NY & CA)  
2009 - present      General Medical Council of the United Kingdom

## **Board Certification**

October 2018 - Present      Diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology (ABPN)

## **Honors & Awards**

Feb 2015      James J. Peters VA Physician of the Year Awards - Resident Award  
James J. Peters VA Medical Center,  
130 West Kingsbridge Road, Bronx, NY 10468

July 2017 – July 2018      Chief Resident for Research  
Department of Psychiatry, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai  
1 Gustave L. Levy Place, New York, NY 10029

## **Professional Society Memberships**

2014 - Present      American Psychiatric Association  
2016 - Present      American Medical Association

## **Research & Scholarships**

2025 - Present      Editorial Board. British Journal of Psychiatry International

## Invited Lectures

1. Invited Speaker, Clinical Services Panel. Symposium for Mental Health Equity. September 2021. Morehouse School of Medicine, Kennedy-Satcher Center for Mental Health, Satcher Health Leadership Institute, Atlanta, GA
2. Seeing Voices – Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation for the Study of Auditory Hallucinations. Invited Grand Rounds. May 2018. Department of Psychiatry, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. New York, NY, 10029

## Research Presentations

1. Kennedy NI, Lee WH (2016) Identification of Brain Regions Implicated in Auditory Hallucinations as Potential Targets for Neuromodulation. Poster. *6th Annual Translational and Molecular Imaging Institute (TMII) Symposium*. Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, NY
2. Kennedy NI, Borkowski J (2010) Patient CP: Rapid Progression of Steven Johnson Syndrome. *Morbidity & Mortality Meeting: Department of Intensive Care*. Central Middlesex Hospital, London, NW10 7NS
3. Kennedy NI, Smith P (2007) The Role of Catechol-O-methyl Transferase (COMT) in the Pathogenesis of Schizophrenia: A Meta-analysis of Association Studies. Poster. *St. George's Undergraduate Research Day*. St George's, University of London
4. Kennedy NI, Morris AG. (2004) A Novel RecA-based Method for the Capture and Cloning of Large Trinucleotide Repeat Expansions. Data from Two Populations of Schizophrenia Patients. *Imperial College Young Scientist Day*. Imperial College, University of London

## Publications

1. Kennedy NI (2023) Neurosurgical interventions for psychiatric illness – an underutilised option in treatment? *BRJPsych Advances* pp. 1 – 3. doi.org/10.1192/bja.2023.4
2. Kennedy NI, Lee WH, Frangou S (2018) Efficacy of non-invasive brain stimulation on the symptom dimensions of schizophrenia: A meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials. *Eur Psychiatry* 49: 69-77. doi: 10.1016/j.eurpsy.2017.12.025

3. Lee WH, Frangou S, Bikson, M, Kennedy NI (2017) A Computational Assessment of Target Engagement in the Treatment of Auditory Hallucinations with Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation. *Front. Psychiatry*. 2018. Feb 22; 9: 48. doi 10.3389/fpsyt.2018.00048
4. Kennedy NI, Kopell B, Goodman WK (2017) Deep Brain Stimulation for Intractable Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. *Obsessive Compulsive Disorder: Phenomenology, Pathophysiology and Treatment*. C. Pittenger (ed.) Oxford University Press. ISBN 978-0-19-022816-3
5. Lapidus K, Kennedy NI, Goodman WK, Kellner CH (2016) Non-Psychopharmacological Somatic Treatments. *Mount Sinai Expert Guides: Psychiatry*. Wiley & Sons Ltd. ISBN 978-1-118-65428-6
6. Nicholas AR, Scott MJ, Kennedy NI, Jones MN. (2000) Effect of grafted polyethylene glycol (PEG) on the size, encapsulation efficiency and permeability of vesicles. *Biochim Biophys Acta* 1463(1): 167-78