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**My Qualifications**

In 2013, I received a Masters of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling with a concentration in Addictions Counseling at Appalachian State University (ASU) in Boone, North Carolina. I have an Addictions Counseling certificate and I am currently a member of the American Counseling Association.

**Licensure**

I am currently licensed in the state of Georgia as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), no. 9583. I am also a Certified Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CAADC), no. C0212. I have previously held an LPC credential as well as a Licensed Clinical Addiction Specialist (LCAS) in the state of North Carolina.

**Counseling Background**

My counseling experience has included working with adolescents and adults in a variety of settings. Prior to my graduate experience at ASU, I worked in wilderness therapy for one year with male adolescents. During the fall of 2012, I completed a 100-hour practicum at ASU as a counselor working with university students who had received alcohol and marijuana violations. The following spring and summer, I completed a 600-hour internship at the ASU Counseling Center where I provided counseling for students dealing with a variety of issues, including depression, anxiety, relationship issues, substance abuse, alcohol dependency, family of origin issues, and interpersonal relationships. I have worked in several substance abuse treatment centers in North Carolina, including: the McLeod Addictive Disease Center, an opioid management treatment program in Marion, NC; and Four Circles Recovery Center, a wilderness substance abuse program located in Horse Shoe, NC that works with adults ages 18-28 overcoming primary addiction.

I currently work with adult clients in an outpatient setting looking to strengthen their recovery from substance use, as well as anxiety, depression, anger management, grief, and relationship issues. I incorporate a variety of theories in my practice that include Mindfulness, Motivational Interviewing, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, and Emotional Freedom Techniques, also known as Tapping.

**Session Fees, Length of Service, and Services Provided**

I offer individual and group rates based on the need of the client. Individual counseling is \$125 for 50 minutes, and couples counseling is \$150. I have limited space for sliding scale clients, and am open to discussing this in our first session. Group fee is \$75 for a 90-minute session and there are limited spaces for reduced rates. I currently do not accept insurance. I accept cash, checks, and credit card as forms of payment. Credit card processing is used with PayPal Invoicing or Square Reader Point of Sale service. Fees for a returned check will result in you being charged a \$35 service fee.

Individual sessions will utilize one of the many techniques listed above. If any experimental techniques will be used, this will be agreed upon by client before sessions begins. All benefits and/or possible consequences regarding any techniques will be discussed prior to use. The client has the right to terminate services, file grievances, or refuse a technique at any time.

I do not provide Emotional Animal Support Letters for clients at this time.

**Cancellation Policy**

If you are unable to keep an appointment, you agree to notify me at least 24 hours in advance. If such a notice is not received within that timeframe, you will be responsible for the cost of the session. Please be aware that

sometimes texts and voicemails fail to go through, so I recommend that you leave both a voicemail and an additional form of communication.

### **Confidentiality**

All of our communication becomes part of the clinical record, which is accessible to you upon request. I will keep confidential anything you say as part of our counseling relationship, with the following exceptions: (a) you direct me in writing to disclose information to someone else (Release of Information); (b) you present a danger to yourself or others, as seen by suicidal or homicidal ideation/planning (including child or elder abuse); or (c) I am ordered by a court to disclose information.

I can be reached via email as well as my phone number, which is HIPAA-compliant through the Spruce Health App. You can text me at my phone number. Be aware that any text or email communication will be in regards to scheduling, cancellations, etc, as confidentiality is not guaranteed for both parties.

### **In Case of Emergency**

If you have an urgent situation that you feel needs immediate support and I am not available, please contact one of the following:

**Georgia Crisis and Assessment Line (GCAL): 1-800-715-4225, [www.mygcal.com](http://www.mygcal.com)**  
**DeKalb Regional Crisis Center (24/7): 404-892-4646, 450 Winn Way, Decatur, GA**  
**Ridgeview Institute Access Center (24/7): 770-434-4567, 3995 South Cobb Dr, Atlanta, GA**  
**[www.ridgeviewinstitute.com](http://www.ridgeviewinstitute.com)**  
**Peachford Hospital: 770-454-2302, 2151 Peachford Rd., Atlanta, GA 30338**  
**[www.peachford.com](http://www.peachford.com)**  
**Anchor Hospital: 770-991-6044, 5454 Yorktowne Dr, Atlanta, GA 30349**  
**[www.anchorhospital.com](http://www.anchorhospital.com)**  
**Georgia Helpline (24/7): 1-800-338-6745**  
**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255, <https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>**

### **Social Media**

I will not engage in any online correspondence (aka Social Media) other than email as confidentiality cannot be guaranteed in this manner. While studies have shown that online counseling may be an effective form of therapy for some clients, I presently feel strongest with an in-person counseling session. If you request to a friendship on Facebook, for example, I will ignore it. Please don't take this as a personal insult; in fact, you may view it as a sign of respect for our therapeutic relationship.

### **Filing A Complaint**

Please share any concerns or questions you have with me about your therapeutic experience. I abide by the ACA Code of Ethics (<http://www.counseling.org/Resources/aca-code-of-ethics.pdf>). If you feel that I have not met your expectations as a counselor, that I have been unethical or my behavior has not met professional standards, you may contact:

Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage & Family Therapists  
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA 31217, (478) 207-2440, (866) 888-7127 (fax) <http://sos.georgia.gov/plb/counselors/>

### **Acceptance of Terms**

We agree to these terms and will abide by these guidelines.

Client: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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