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### **CREDENTIALS**

Nationally Certified Vocational Evaluation Specialist (CRCC)(#383)  
Diplomate, American Board of Vocational Experts (ABVE)(#198717)  
Master Career Counselor, National Career Development Association, (NCDA), 2002-12  
National Certified Career Counselor (NCCC)(#5685)

### **EDUCATION**

M.A., Counseling Psychology, University of California, Berkeley  
B.S., Wheelock College, Boston, MA  
Post Graduate Courses: UCLA Extension and Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles

### **FORENSIC VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNSELOR/EXPERT**

Vocational expert in over 2,500 dissolution and wrongful termination cases, 1983-present  
Administer and interpret inventories and tests for assessing career/work potential  
Interview clients and assess interests, abilities, skills and career values  
Determine current and future earning capacity and employability  
Provide data on job availability and salaries  
Research appropriate training and educational options and costs  
Write reports documenting findings  
Provide expert testimony in court

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member, Bay Area Vocational Experts (BAVE), 2005-present  
Family Law Section, Los Angeles County Bar Assoc., Associate Member, 1991-present  
Family Law Section, State Bar of California, Associate Member, 1983-present  
Family Law Section, Beverly Hills Bar Assoc., Adjunct Member, 1983-present  
Family Law Section, San Fernando Valley Bar Assoc., Associate Member, 1990  
American Society for Training and Development, 1980-2005  
Catalyst, Network Member, Advisory Board, New York City, 1979-90  
California Counseling Association, 1985-present  
National & California Career Development Associations, 1979-present

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Career Development Practitioner of the Year, California Career Development Assn. 2002-03  
Master Career Counselor, National Career Development Association, 2002-present  
Certificate of Appreciation Superior Court, County of L.A. Family Court Services, 1991  
Listed in Who's Who in California, 1981-82 Edition  
Listed in The World Who's Who of Women, 1990 edition  
Honored for Outstanding Contribution to Personal Enrichment, ASTD, Los Angeles Chapter, 1989  
Honored for Diligence and Dedication, Career and Vocational Division, California State Department of Education, March 1987; Outstanding Leadership Award, 1990  
Appreciation Award, L.A. County Commission on the Status of Women, 1978

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## **CAREER, VOCATIONAL & MANAGEMENT ISSUES INSTRUCTOR/TRAINER/CONSULTANT (partial list)**

Presenter, State Bar of California Family Law Section Webinar 11/09/10  
Presenter, State Bar of California, Board of Governors, Helping Lawyers in a Down Economy, 11/09  
Presenter, Beverly Hills Bar Association, Hot Tips Program, Family Law Section, 6/09  
Panel Member, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Family Law Trial Advocacy Program, 2008  
Invited Speaker, Economic Research Institute's 2006 Research Staff and Subscriber Conference  
Panel Member, Continuing Education of the Bar, C.E.B., Family Law Program, 2003  
Speaker, Los Angeles Times Career Expo 2000 & 2001 & 2002  
Panel Presentation, "Imputing Income - Using an Earning Capacity Standard in the Determination of Child and Spousal Support," Family Law Sections, Los Angeles County Bar Association/San Fernando Valley Bar Association, May 1999  
Panel Member, "Imputing Income," Beverly Hills Bar Association, Annual Family Law Symposium, 1998  
Presenter, "Practice Pointers," 24th Annual Family Law Symposium, Family Law Section, LACBA, 1992  
Speaker, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, 1989 & 2001  
Workshop Leader, Conciliation Court Conferences, 1979-91  
Instructor, The Employers Group, 1983-2000  
Consultant, Los Angeles Community College District, 1978-80  
Consultant, Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools, 1981-86  
Adjunct Professor, University of San Francisco, M.P.A. Program, 1987-89  
Adjunct Professor, University of Judaism, M.B.A. Program, 1983-86  
Consultant, UCLA Office of Special Personnel Programs, 1980 & 1983  
Presenter, California Business Education Leadership Conference, 1986  
Speaker, professional conferences, conventions, meetings, and legal study groups, 1984-present  
Instructor, UCLA Extension, 1979-89. Courses include:  
    "Local Labor Market Information: Update and Briefing"  
    "Options in Part-time Work"  
    "Career Mobility for Women"

### **CAREER COUNSELOR**

Private Practice, 1977-present

Career Counseling Services for the State Bar of California Lawyer Assistance Program, 1995-present  
Selected as Career Counselor for the Los Angeles Times website, 1994-07  
Provide clients with information and support for action on career issues  
Design workbook materials and self-assessment instruments  
Create action contracts for aiding clients in achieving goals  
Teach assertiveness, time management, and decision-making skills  
Prepare resumes and cover letters and additional marketing materials  
Coach clients on effective interview techniques and self-presentation  
Provide spouse relocation, outplacement, and EAP career counseling services for corporations

### **VOCATIONAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT**

Independent Contractor, 1974-2000

Develop training modules/programs for education, business, nonprofit agencies, state and federal projects  
Plan, present, and evaluate in-service and staff development programs  
Assist with implementation of state and federal legislation  
Coordinate conferences, programs, and projects

### **PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

Associate Project Director, TIDE Project, Career & Vocational Unit, CSDE, 1982-90  
Area Representative, Career Planning and Adult Development Network, 1982-present  
Advisory Board Member, L.A. County Career Guidance Center, 1979-80  
Commissioner, L.A. U.S.D. Commission for Sex Equity, 1980-83

## PUBLICATIONS (partial list)

- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Brincko, Jean, *New Appellate Cases Highlight the Value of a Vocational Expert*, Los Angeles County Bar Association Family Law Section 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Symposium, 2009.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., co-author, *Even If Your Motion for a Vocational Examination Was Denied, a Vocational Expert May Still Be Helpful*, Family Law News, State Bar of California Family Law Section, Vol. 30:1, 2008.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., co-author, *Imputation of Earnings De-Mystified*, 2008 Family Law Reference Book, Los Angeles County Bar Association Family Law Section 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium, 2008.
- Brincko, Jean, & Miller, Susan W., *LAP Career Counseling Survey Results*, 2004 Lawyer Assistance Program Annual Report Appendix J, 2005.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Doucet, Thomas A., *Get the Right Balance*, Journal of Accountancy, AICPA, July 2002.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., *Vocational Examinations in Family Law Cases*, Association of Certified Family Law Specialists Newsletter, Spring 2001.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., *Vocational Examinations in Family Law Cases in California*, Publication #9-Q, Family Law Section Syllabus, 24th Annual Family Law Symposium, Beverly Hills Bar Association, November 1998.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Jacobs, Alice, Guest Editors, Special Issue: *Lawyers and Career Development*, Career Planning and Adult Development Journal, Volume 12 Number 1, Spring 1996.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Schwadron, Patricia S., *Vocational Evaluations in Family Law Cases*, Family Law Symposium Reference Book, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Family Law Section, May 1994 and 1995.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., *Let's Be Prepared for Workquakes*, Los Angeles Business Journal, August 15, 1994.
- New Trends in Employment Pose Challenges to Workers*, Los Angeles Business Journal, Jan. 23, 1989.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Schwadron, Patricia S., *Vocational Examinations Related to the Determination of Spousal Support*, Representing Clients in Spousal and Child Support Matters, Continuing of the Bar, June 1991 & October 1993.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Schwadron, Patricia S., *1992 Amendments to California Civil Code Section 4801 Regarding the Use of the Vocational Examination in Family Law*, Family Law News and Review, Los Angeles County Bar Association Family Law Section, Vol. XIII, No.2, Spring, 1992, and Family Law News, State Bar of California, Summer Issue, 1992.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Spungin, Gloria H., *The Vocational Examination: Its Use in Determining Spousal Support in California*, The Career Center Bulletin, Management Institute, Graduate Business School, Columbia University, NYC, NY, Vol. 6, No. 3, 1989.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., and Spungin, Gloria H., *Economic Independence: Vocational Assessments and Spousal Support*, Los Angeles Lawyer, March 1984.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., *The Use of Vocational Training Consultants in Family Law*, Guest Editorial, Beverly Hills Bar Association Journal, Vol. 18, No. 1, Winter 1983.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., et. al., *Guidelines for Counseling and Guidance in the State of California*, Human Equity Section, California State Department of Education, 1981.
- Miller, Susan W., M.A., *Working with Handicapped Students*, an In-service Training Module, Los Angeles Community College District, 1980.