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**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

- San Diego State University, M.S., Rehabilitation Counseling, San Diego, CA
- Catawba College, B.A., Therapeutic Recreation, Salisbury, NC

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Employed by the Southeast ADA Center as an Information Specialist – 2011 to the present
- Employed by Central PA Center for Independent Living – 2010 - 2011
- Employed by Disability Rights & Resources (DR&R) – 2003 to 2010 (DR&R was one of the first 10 Centers for Independent Living established by the 1973 Rehabilitation Act)
- Employed by N.C. Division of Rehabilitation Services – 1994 – 2003
- Employed by Supported Employment Training, Inc. – 1989 – 1994
- Employed by St. Mark's LifeSpan, Inc. – 1980 - 1989

**PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS PRESENTED (HIGHLIGHTS)**

*Americans with Disabilities Act – Titles I, II, III*

- Mecklenburg County (NC) Department of Social Services Employees
- Title II ADA Coordinators' Responsibilities – Mecklenburg, Union, Cabarrus, and Gaston Counties, (NC)
- Employment Security Commission Employer Advisory Board – Newton, N.C.
- N.C. Association of Colleges and Employers
- The Employers' Association - Charlotte, N.C.
- Mecklenburg County (NC) Park & Recreation Department
- Matthews, N.C. Historical Foundation
- St. Peter's Homes, McCreesh Place – Charlotte, N.C.
- Charlotte Bobcats Basketball arena staff – Charlotte, N.C.
- Southeastern Directors of Volunteer Services in Healthcare Organizations – annual conference
- Mint Hill Chamber of Commerce – Mint Hill, N.C.
- Charlotte (N.C.) taxi company owners

- Facility Assessment Training under Title II – Meredith College, Raleigh, N.C.

#### *Fair Housing*

- Union County, N.C. – open to public
- Mecklenburg County, N.C. – open to public

#### *Disability Etiquette*

- Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) bus drivers - Charlotte, N.C. [repeat training]
- Wilson Sleep Inn employees - Wilson, N.C.
- Gastonia bus drivers - Gastonia, N.C. [repeat training]
- Social Security Administration - Charlotte, NC office
- Blumenthal Performing Arts Center staff and ushers - Charlotte, N.C. [repeat]
- Charlotte Regional Visitors Authority – Charlotte, N.C.
- Boy Scout Troop 13 – Charlotte, N.C.
- Bank of America Disability Affinity Group – Charlotte, N.C.
- University Hilton Hotel – Charlotte, N.C.
- Nascar Hall of Fame staff – Charlotte, N.C.

#### *Effective Advocacy*

- Council on Aging Senior Nutrition Program - Charlotte, N.C. [repeat training]
- Brain Injury Support Group – Charlotte, N.C.
- Brain Injury Support Group – Monroe, N.C.
- Consumer and Family Advisory Committee Conference – Salisbury, N.C.

#### *Universal Design*

- Art Institute of Charlotte - Charlotte, N. C.

#### *Reasonable Accommodation in Employment*

- The Employers' Association – Charlotte, N.C. [repeat training]

#### CURRENT PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of The National Council on Independent Living
- Member of The Association of Programs for Rural Independent Living

#### COMMUNITY AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Member of the Board of Directors for United Disabilities Services' (UDS) Accessing Independence Program
- Member of the UDS Foundation's Development Committee
- Member and Board Member of the Lancaster Lions
- Audio describer for patrons with visual impairments for the Fulton Theater and Millersville University
- Member of Millersville University's Disability Arts Advisory Council