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### **Candidate for the Democratic Nomination for Iowa House of Representatives, District 36**

#### **LICENSURE AND EDUCATION**

Iowa Licensed Independent Social Worker (LISW), License #04844.

Master of Social Work (M.S.W.), 1981, University of Iowa, Iowa City

- Concentrations in community organization and administration.
- Community Organization practicum: Prevent Child Abuse Iowa.
- Masters Paper: Family Violence: An Introductory and Extended Presentation

B.A. in Social Work, 1973, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls

#### **PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

**Iowa Department of Justice**

**Iowa Attorney General's Office**

**Crime Victim Assistance Division (CVAD) Des Moines, Iowa**

**July 1989 to June 2011**

**Position: Director**

Founding Director of the Iowa Attorney General's Crime Victim Assistance Division.

Responsible for policy and management of the Iowa Crime Victim Compensation, Sexual Abuse Exam Payment, Victim Services Grants, Iowa Crisis Response Team, Iowa Victim Information & Notification Everyday (IowaVINE), and Identity Theft Passport programs.

Administer a \$20 million budget of state and federal funds, primarily drawn from fines and penalties paid by convicted criminal offenders. Assure federal compliance for VOCA

Assistance, VOCA Compensation, VAWA, FVP&SA, and SAVIN grants. Responsible for strategic plan, policy, administrative rules, and statute development and implementation.

Oversee statewide training and technical assistance activities. Collaborate with statewide victim advocacy groups and allied state, county, and municipal departments.

Collaborate with national victims' rights and service coalitions and justice organizations.

**Polk County Victim Services** (Now Polk County Crisis and Advocacy)

**Des Moines, Iowa**

**July 1984 - June 1989**

**Position: Director**

Responsible for development and management of services for victims of crime in Iowa's capital city and largest county. Programs include Rape/Sexual Assault & Care, Violent Crime

Assistance, Homicide Victim Survivor, and Intra-Family Sexual Abuse programs. Provide group and individual counseling services. Responsible for employee supervision, strategic

plan, budget, grant writing, and media contact.

**Broadlawns Medical Center Des Moines, Iowa**

**September 1981 - July 1984**

**Position: Medical Social Worker**

Responsible for social work services in the surgical, orthopedic, and gynecology departments at County Hospital. Represented the Medical Center on the Polk County Victim Services Board and the Des Moines Child Abuse and Neglect Council.

**State Technical Assistance and Training Team (STAT Team) (Now Prevent Child Abuse Iowa)**

**Urbandale, Iowa May 1980 - 1981**

**Position: Community Services Consultant**

Responsible for child abuse and neglect consultation, training, and technical assistance statewide. Conducted local roundtable meetings that resulted in the creation of 40 community child abuse councils with multidisciplinary representation. Designed and conducted first multidisciplinary sessions of Iowa Department of Human Services training about child sexual abuse. Trained the trainers for local child sexual abuse investigation and services.

**Polk County Family Violence Center Children and Families of Iowa**

**Des Moines, Iowa**

**October 1978 - May 1980**

**Position: Program Manager**

Responsible for developing the first Iowa Domestic Violence program and shelter. Created pioneering services for victims of domestic violence and their children, including counseling and advocacy. Conducted domestic abuse victim outreach, public awareness, and professional education. Did volunteer recruitment, training, supervision, and coordination.

**Polk County Rape/Sexual Assault Care Center (Now Polk County Crisis and Advocacy Services)**

**Des Moines, Iowa May 1977 - June 1978**

**Position: Statewide Rape Education Coordinator**

Responsible for training and technical services to communities developing community rape crisis centers in Iowa. Designed and implemented eight regional conferences and one statewide conference on rape victim services. Trained medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, and counseling professionals to provide effective and compassionate services to victims of sexual assault.

**Broadlawns Medical Center Des Moines, Iowa**

**March 1974 – May 1977**

**Position: Medical Social Worker**

Responsible for social work services in the pediatrics, medicine, and emergency departments at County Hospital. Represented the Medical Center on the Polk County Child Abuse and Neglect Committee.

## **ELECTED SERVICE**

- National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA) Board, 2007-2008.
- President, Iowa Chapter, National Association of Social Workers (NASW), 2006-2008. NASW Council of Chapter Presidents, Executive Committee, 2006-2007.
- NASW National Committee on Nominations and Leadership Identification, 2001-2004. Iowa Organization for Victim Assistance Board, 1984–2000.
- Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault Board of Directors, 1985–1990.
- Child Abuse State Technical Assistance and Training Team Inc., Board, 1981-1989.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

- U.S. Congressional Victims' Rights Caucus Advisory Committee, 2008.
- Victim Rights Committee of National Association of Attorneys General.
- Iowa Department of Corrections Offender Reentry Steering Committee, 2004.
- Iowa Lt. Governor's Committee to Stop Violence Against Women, 1996-2007; Chair. U.S.
- US State Department Delegation to Russia to present a three-day national conference on violence against women in Moscow and provide local technical assistance and training for law enforcement, victim services, and leaders in Moscow and St. Petersburg, Oct. 1998.
- Iowa State Task Force on Stranger/Non-Stranger Sexual Assault, 1996–1999.
- Iowa Supreme Court Task Force on the Courts' and Community Response to Domestic Abuse, 1993-1994.
- Iowa Legislative Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect, 1994.
- Mitchellville Correctional Facility for Women Advisory Board, 1988–1991.
- Iowa Department of Corrections Task Force on Sex Offender Treatment, 1988–1990.
- Iowa Legislative Interim Task Force to Consolidate Iowa Victim Services, 1988.

## **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**

- Member, U.S. Congressional Victim's Rights Caucus Advisory Committee.
- Member, National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA) Board. Member, Victim Rights Committee of National Association of Attorneys Generals.
- Volunteer, Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation, 2000 to 2008.
- Member, Iowa Domestic Violence and Health Care Leadership Team, 1998 to 2011.
- Member, Democratic Activist Women's Network (DAWN's List) since 1998, Chair 01-07.
- Facilitator, Support Group for Straight Spouses of Gays and Lesbians, 95-00.
- Troop Leader, Girl Scouts of America, 1990-1998.
- Member, Iowa Chapter, National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Board of Directors 1997-1999, President of the Board 2006-2008.
- Founder and member, Iowa Chapter NASW Diversity Committee, 2007 to present.
- Member, Iowa Organization for Victim Assistance, Board of Directors, 1984–2000.
- Member, Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Board of Directors, 1985–1990.
- Member, Iowa Child Abuse and Neglect STAT Team Inc., Board, 1981-1989.
- Volunteer, Des Moines Community Telephone Counseling, 1980-1984.
- Volunteer, Cedar Falls Crisis Line, 1971-1973.
- Volunteer, Tiny Tots Day Care Center, 1969 and 1970

## **DIRECTED ORGANIZATION AWARDS**

- Certificate of Appreciation for Service Following 9/11, Iowa Crisis Response Team, National Association for Victim Assistance (NOVA), 2002.
- Tadini Bacigalupi, Jr. Distinguished Victim Service Award, Iowa Crime Victim Compensation Program, NOVA, 1999.
- Public Service Award, Crime Victim Assistance Division, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa, 1999.
- ADDY Public Service Award, CVAD, Advertising Professionals of Des Moines, 1991.
- Exemplary Program Award, Polk County Rape/Sexual Assault Center, Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA), 1976.

## **PERSONAL AWARDS**

- Cristine Wilson Medal of Equality & Justice, Ia. Commission on the Status of Women, 2011
- Lifetime Achievement Award, Iowa Organization for Victim Assistance, 2011
- Des Moines Women of Achievement Award, YWCA of Greater Des Moines, 2005.
- Boatwright Political Action Award, Iowa Chapter NASW, 2003.
- Lifetime Achievement Award, Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 2002.
- Iowa Restorative Justice Task Force National Victim Rights Week Award, 2001.
- Founding Mother Award, Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Abuse, 2001
- Outstanding Dedicated Service Award, Polk Co. Rape/Sexual Assault Care Center, 1981.
- Leadership and Founder Award, Prevent Child Abuse Iowa, 1982.
- Polk Co. National Victims' Rights Week Outstanding Community Contribution Award, '82.
- U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime, National Victims' Rights Week Certificate of Appreciation, 1995, 1998, and 2001.

## **WRITING**

### *Author:*

- Annual Reports of the Crime Victim Assistance Division, 1990 through 2008.
- Many crime victim publications and brochures since 1996.
- Guide to Survival: Information for the Family and Friends of Homicide Victims, '05.
- Contributor to 2008 Victims' Rights sections for national political party platforms.
- Contributing editor, Crime Victim Report, 2007-present.
- Contributor and editor for U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime, National Victim Assistance Academy Curriculum, 2007.
- Contributor, Final Report of the Supreme Court Task Force on Courts and Communities Response to Domestic Abuse, 1994.
- In Person, In Time: Recommended Procedures for Death Notification, CVAD 1993
- A Report to the General Assembly: Victim Restitution in Iowa, 1992.
- Iowa Protocol for the Examination and Treatment of Sexual Assault Victims, 1987.

### *Book Draft Editor:*

- Spiritually Sensitive Caregiving: A Multi-Faith Handbook by Janice Harris Lord, Melissa Hook, Sharifa Alkhateeb, and Sharon J. English, 2006.
- Ethics in Victim Services by Melissa Hook, Victim Assistance Legal Organization, 2004