



## **CHRISTOPHER SMYTHIES, MD, FAANS**

*Board-Certified Neurosurgeon*

*Neurosurgical Forensics LLC*



### **PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY**

Board-certified neurosurgeon with over three decades of clinical, military, leadership, and institutional experience. Provides independent forensic medical record review and expert medical analysis for attorneys evaluating liability, causation, standard of care, and damages in neurosurgical and neurologic matters. Known for careful record-based assessment, professional restraint, and credibility in adversarial settings.

### **BACKGROUND**

Date of birth: March 9<sup>th</sup>, 1957. Birthplace: Cambridge, United Kingdom. Emigrated to U.S.A. 1974. Citizenship: U.S.A. and United Kingdom.

### **EARLY EDUCATION**

Belhaven Hill School, Scotland (1965 – 1970)

Rugby School, England (1970-74)

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Birmingham-Southern College, Alabama (1974-76)

Vanderbilt University (B.A. 1976-1978)

## **MEDICAL EDUCATION & TRAINING**

**University of Alabama School of Medicine**, Birmingham, Alabama  
Doctor of Medicine, 1983

### **Postgraduate Medical Training**

- Internship, General Surgery, Baptist Medical Centers, Birmingham, Alabama (1983 – 1984)
- Residency, Division of Neurosurgery, University of Alabama at Birmingham (1984 – 1988)
- Chief Resident, Division of Neurosurgery, University of Alabama at Birmingham (1988 – 1989)

## **MILITARY SERVICE**

### **Major, Medical Corps, United States Army**

- **Chief, Neurosurgery Service**, Landstuhl Regional Army Medical Center  
Landstuhl, Germany (1989 – 1993)
- **Chief of Neurosurgery**, 12th Evacuation Hospital  
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  
Operations Desert Shield & Desert Storm (December 1990 – April 1991)

### **Military Training**

- Officer Basic Course, San Antonio, Texas (July 1989)
- Combat Casualty Course, San Antonio, Texas (August 1989)
- Medical Management of Chemical Casualties Course, Neubruecke, Germany (December 1990)

### **Military Decorations**

Army Commendation Medal; Southwest Asia Service Medal (Desert Shield and Desert Storm); Kuwait Liberation Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Army Overseas Service Ribbon; Army Service Ribbon

## **BOARD CERTIFICATION & PROFESSIONAL STANDING**

- Board Certification, **American Board of Neurological Surgeons**, November 1993
- Fellow, **American Association of Neurological Surgeons (FAANS)**, July 2010

## **CURRENT PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENT**

**Staff Neurosurgeon**, MultiCare Health System  
Tacoma, Washington  
December 2014 – Present

Current hospital affiliations include Tacoma General Hospital; Auburn Medical Center; Covington Medical Center; Good Samaritan Hospital; Allenmore Hospital; MultiCare Capital Medical Center; MultiCare Yakima Memorial Hospital; Mary Bridge Children's Hospital

## **PRIOR CLINICAL APPOINTMENTS**

- **Seattle Neurosurgery Clinic** (Private Practice), August 1993 – December 1997
- **Affiliated Neurosurgeon**, MultiCare Neuroscience Center of Washington  
Tacoma, Washington  
February 2005 – July 2006; January 2013 – November 2014

## **LOCUMS TENENS EXPERIENCE**

- Alaska Native Medical Center; Providence Hospital; Regional Hospital  
Anchorage, Alaska (2008 – 2012)
- Deaconess Hospital, Spokane, Washington (2025)

## **NEUROSURGICAL LEADERSHIP**

**Founder and President, Neurosurgical Consultants of Washington, Inc., P.S.**  
(A group practice of up to thirteen neurosurgeons)  
January 1998 – September 2003

**Member, Neurosurgical Consultants of Washington, Inc., P.S.**  
(Private Practice)  
September 2003 – November 2014

**Consultant Neurosurgeon, Republic of Lithuania**  
1991 – 1992

## **HONORS & RECOGNITION**

- Honorary Registrar in Neurology, Queen Square, London (July – December 1986)
- Garber Galbraith Medical-Political Award  
University of Alabama Medical Alumni Association (February 2010)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Peer-Reviewed**

Smythies CJ, Dropcho EJ, Mahaley MS Jr.  
*Adjunctive Therapy for Brain Tumors: An Update.*  
Contemporary Neurosurgery. 10:16, 1988.

### **Books**

*Aneurysm: A Satirical Novel on the Medical Liability Crisis in America.*  
KDP Publishing (Amazon), 2012

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Fellow of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons

## **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS**

**Astro-imaging:** Founder and General Manager, Goldendale Sky Village LLC (2018 – present)  
Founder and former General Manager, Chiricahua Sky Village LLC (2021 – present)

**Neurosurgical Forensics:** Founder, Neurosurgical Forensics LLC

Completed **SEAK** course: ‘How to Refine, Improve, and Grow Your Expert Witness Practice.’  
San Diego, March 2026