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## **FORENSIC PROFILE**

Board-certified physician in Internal Medicine and Hospice & Palliative Medicine with over 30 years of clinical experience. Subject matter expert in CMS regulatory compliance, terminality certification, and clinical ethics. Extensive leadership background as a Medical Director, overseeing interdisciplinary teams and institutional standards of care. Advanced academic training in Bioethics and Health Policy, specializing in applying bioethical frameworks to clinical disputes involving the right to self-determination and the withdrawal of life-sustaining treatment.

## **EDUCATION**

- **MA, Bioethics and Health Policy** | Loyola University Chicago, IL
- **MACS, Christian Spirituality** | Loyola University Chicago, IL
- **Fellowship, Hospice and Palliative Medicine** | University of Alabama at Birmingham, AL
- **Internship & Residency, Internal Medicine** | University of Michigan Medical Center, Ann Arbor, MI
- **MD, Medicine** | Georgetown University School of Medicine, Washington, D.C.
- **BS, Chemistry** | Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN

## **BOARD CERTIFICATIONS & LICENSURE**

- Hospice and Palliative Medicine, ABIM (Maintaining active board certification)
- Internal Medicine, ABIM (Maintaining active board certification)
- Medical License – Georgia: 40443

## **EXECUTIVE & CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

**Principal** | Krause Medico-Legal, Gainesville, GA | **2026 – Present**

- Providing forensic medical record review, merit analysis, and expert testimony for complex palliative care and hospice litigation.

**Medical Director** | Southern Comfort Hospice, Norcross, GA | **Dec 2019 – Present**

- Provide clinical and regulatory oversight for hospice eligibility and Medicare Conditions of Participation (CoPs).
- Certify and recertify patients' terminal illness, based on clinical trajectories, in compliance with Medicare regulations.

**Founder and Principal** | Lanier Supportive Medicine LLC, Alpharetta, GA | **Nov 2022 – Present**

- Expert consultation in palliative care and serious illness management.

**Locum Tenens** | Palliative Care Team Physician | Navicent Health, Macon, GA | **Jan 2018 - Oct 2019**

**Independent Contractor** | PrimeCare Urgent Care, Cumming, GA | **Aug 2017- Jan 2018**

**Principal** | Krause Medico-Legal, Gainesville, GA | **Mar 2016 - Feb 2017**

- Forensic Medical Record Review and Merit Analysis: CMS Regulatory Compliance and Hospice Eligibility.
- Medical Consultation and Record Review: Post-op DNR Management

**Medical Director**, Supportive & Palliative Care Program | Northside Hospital System, Atlanta, GA | **June 2013 – Mar 2016**

- Expanded an oncology palliative care service to be system-wide and established the standards for this program.

**Medical Director** | WellStar Community Hospice and Palliative Medicine, Marietta, GA | **Jan 2008 – May 2013**

- Founded and developed the system-wide Palliative Care program, establishing clinical protocols, ethical frameworks, and documentation standards for the health system.

**Associate Medical Director** | Hospice of the Bluegrass, Lexington, KY | **Jul 2003 – Dec 2007**

**Internist**, Private practice | Jul 1995 – Sep 2002

## ACADEMICS AND ETHICS APPOINTMENTS

- **Ethics Consortium Member**, WellStar Health System
- **Advisory Member**, Georgia POLST Collaborative
- **Committee Member**, AAHPM Ethics and Quality Committees
- **Chair, Ethics Committee**, St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington, KY
- **Clinical Instructor**, University of Kentucky (Founded program with a \$75,000 grant)

## MEMBERSHIPS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- **Fellow**, American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (AAHPM)
- **Board Member (past)**, Georgia Hospice & Palliative Care Organization (GHPCO)
- **Invited Faculty Expert Witness | Emory University School of Law**: Kessler Eidson Program for Trial Techniques. Participating in simulated depositions and trial testimony to train second-year law students in expert witness cross-examination and evidentiary standards.