

### Don't Let **Emotional problems** hold you back.

When your love one faces deportation. this can cause significant emotional and psychological distress on you and your family (spouse, children, or elderly parents). An in-depth Mental Health (MH) Immigration Evaluation performed by a Qualified and **Licensed Mental Health (MH) Professional** can explain this distress to immigration professionals/officials and to help produce the necessary evidence to support your petition.

I'm highly experienced in providing a range of immigration-based assessments, and understand both the clinical ramifications of doing brief work with often times acutely traumatized individuals, and the legal requirements of delivering comprehensive, accurate, and compelling evaluations that can withstand rigorous scrutiny.

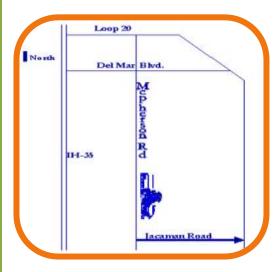
I'm bilingual (in English and Spanish). I'm happy to conduct assessments in other languages with proper translation.

I welcome the challenge of assisting populations who-precisely because of the psychological effects of the experiences from which they are seeking refuge-are struggling to apply for legal status.

I encourage you to contact me with any questions or specifics of any given case. I collaborate with immigration attorneys and other professionals experienced in immigration matters.

Come see how we can help you and your family.

You Don't Have to Suffer Alone. You Are Not Alone.







## Mental Health (MH) **Immigration Evaluations**

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### **Immigration Evaluations**

Among other forms of evaluations, I offer mental health evaluations and psychological evaluations for immigration purposes. I'm experienced and appropriately/specifically trained to conduct Mental Health (MH) Immigration Evaluations for your immigration petition. Immigration evaluations I offer include:

- Hardship Evaluations (Hardship Immigration Petitions)
- VAWA Evaluations (Violence Against Women Act Immigration Petitions)
- Substance Abuse and DUI Evaluations for Immigration
- Criminal Offense / Risk of Recidivism Evaluations for Immigration
- Mental Health and/or Psychological Evaluations for Immigration
- U-Visa Evaluations
- And MH Evaluations for ASYLUM

# Hardship MH Immigration Evaluations

A Hardship MH Immigration Evaluation is designed to document and explain this hardship to immigration officials. It makes use of an in-depth immigration hardship assessments using both clinical interview and objective MH tests to produce the best evidence to support your petition.

# **Immigration MH Evaluations**

#### **VAWA Evaluations**

VAWA Evaluations are used in cases where a person immigrates to the United States (often under a fiancee visa) and marries an American citizen. It can happen that this relationship becomes abusive, with the American citizen as the abuser and the immigrant spouse as the victim. Often, the abuser will threaten the victim with deportation to keep her/him silent about the abuse. When this happens, the victim can leave their abuser and petition US Immigration to be allowed to stay in the United States and eventually receive a Green Card (permanent resident status) provided that they are being abused by their American husband/wife.

#### **MH Evaluations for ASYLUM**

It's becoming increasingly common for people seeking asylum from exposure to criminal activity, racial, sexual orientation, religious, ethnic, and political persecution, to undergo a mental health evaluation to provide evidence or validity of persecution claims.

#### Substance Abuse Evaluations for Immigration – Petition after DUI Arrest

If you have previously been arrested for DUI and are petitioning for a Green Card (permanent resident) or other immigration visa, you will likely be required to receive an evaluation by a mental health professional who is qualified in evaluating substance abuse and risk of repeat DUI (DUI re-offense or recidivism). I'm licensed and specially trained in chemical Dependency (e.g., substance abuse evaluation and treatment). I can help you with this type of immigration evaluation.

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#### Criminal Offense – Risk of Recidivism

If you have been arrested for a crime, either in the United States or in your country or origin and are petitioning for a Visa, Green Card, or Citizenship, you may be required to obtain what is called a Risk of Recidivism Evaluation. This time of evaluation assesses your risk for criminal behavior in the future.

## **Psychological Evaluations for Immigration**

Sometimes, immigration officials will ask for a MH or Psychological Evaluation that does not fall into one of the other categories described here. In those cases, I will work closely with your attorney to determine the issues that need to be addressed in your evaluation and report.

#### U-Visa Evaluations – Domestic Violence, Human Trafficking, Sexual Assault, etc.

If you have been the victim of a crime and are cooperating with law enforcement officials in the prosecution of the perpetrators, you may be eligible for a U-Visa. U-Visa Evaluations conducted by mental health professionals are used to document the type and extended of the psychological damage and distress you suffered as a result of your victimization.

### **Quick Turnaround Times**

While great attention and care go into all of our Mental Health Immigration Evaluations, I strive to provide quick turnaround times. Many experts conducting immigration evaluations can take up to one month to even get an initial appointment. In contrast, in my office, you will receive your first appointment within one week, and in most cases, your evaluation report will be completed in three weeks.