



## INFORMED CONSENT FOR PSYCHOSOCIAL ASSESSMENT

This document is a disclosure of certain information about the process of a psychosocial assessment. This form will give you information about the assessment process. It details certain rights and responsibilities that you have in this process and gives you information about me.

The assessment consists of a comprehensive clinical interview, including the use of psychological screening tools. In addition, it may be necessary to review other related materials such as legal, medical, psychological, and educational records, etc. Collateral information may be needed and interviews with physicians or current/former psychotherapists may be necessary.

The goal of this assessment is to obtain information about your past and current personal and psychological status in connection with your immigration case. This consent is for the sole purpose of facilitating an immigration psychosocial assessment and not intended for psychotherapy.

**Deja Fuimaono** is not responsible for the outcome of any immigration proceeding in which this psychosocial assessment is submitted. **Deja Fuimaono** takes no responsibility for any information written in this assessment which differs from the information that you may present in your testimony, declaration, affidavit, or any other communication.

I reserve the right to cancel this contract at any time, for any reason, without prior notification in cases including, but not limited to, non-payment or in the case of malingering.

Your participation in this assessment is voluntary. **Deja Fuimaono** will not conduct the assessment without your signature on this document. You have the right to stop the assessment at any time. If, at any time, you have a question about any aspect of the assessment, please feel free to ask me. In addition, if at any time you need a break from the assessment, please let me know.

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## QUALIFICATIONS

I have been providing psychotherapy to children, adolescents, and adults and conducting psychosocial assessments since 2015. I have a Master's of Social Work Degree from The University of Nevada, Las Vegas. I am licensed by the The Nevada State Board of Examiners for Social Workers (license #8661-C).

## CANCELLATION POLICY

I request that you provide me 24 hours notice for the cancellation or rescheduling of an appointment by leaving a message at (702) 350-1898. If you do not cancel a session 24 hours in advance and do not attend, you will be charged an additional fee of \$100. The fee for a missed session is due at the time of the next scheduled appointment. There are some exceptions to this policy (e.g., severe illness, family death), that will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

## RISKS AND BENEFITS

Although psychosocial assessments may provide some therapeutic benefits, they are not therapy. Individuals may benefit from ongoing psychotherapy. If I determine that you may benefit from ongoing therapy, I will provide you with a list of psychotherapists. Every effort will be made to minimize any discomfort that you may experience during the assessment. Nonetheless, you may experience distress and difficulties pertaining to the material you are relating. As this is a collaborative process, we may decide that you would be better served by a different service or another therapist.

## EMERGENCIES

If you have an emergency between our sessions and need immediate help, I recommend that you call 911 or go to your nearest emergency room.

## CONFIDENTIALITY

Your confidentiality is extremely important to me. All information provided during the assessment will be held confidential, except for the written psychosocial evaluation which will be given to you and your attorney. While your privacy is paramount, so is your safety and the safety of others who may be in danger. There are several situations in which I may be legally obligated to break confidentiality:

- If you express intent to seriously harm yourself
- If you threaten serious bodily harm to another person/s
- If there is suspicion or evidence of abuse or neglect of a child, elder or vulnerable person
- If compelled by a court order

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In any of the above situations, you and I will first discuss and attempt to come to an agreement on how to proceed. If we are unable to do so in a safe and legal way, I will do so independently and I will take further measures without your permission that are provided to me by law.

If your attorney has requested this assessment, with your written permission, they will receive a copy of the report and will determine how it will be used and who has access to it. Information regarding this assessment may be disclosed to a judge, attorneys, USCIS (United States Citizen and Immigration Services) and other court and agency personnel involved in this case.

Once a decision has been made to use the report in a legal proceeding, the report and any information pertaining to it may be admissible into evidence as well as any other information that was provided concerning your mental health and functioning. If you have any concerns about the use or distribution of this report, you should discuss these issues carefully with your attorney.

Additionally, I will release information to others at your request if you have signed a release of information form for an individual or agency.

#### FEES

The fee for a psychosocial evaluation is \$\_\_\_\_. This includes a structured interview, psychological screening, and report writing. The expedited fee for a psychosocial evaluation is \$350.

In the case of an expedited report, the psychosocial evaluation will be complete no more than 5 business days from the time of our last meeting.

The fee for a court appearance is \$70/hour, including travel time and time awaiting a hearing. If I am required to attend a court appearance, it will be necessary to make a payment retainer of \$70. Payment by Cash, Credit, Venmo or CashApp is due at the time service.

I have read and discussed the above policies with Deja Fuimaono, LCSW. I was given the opportunity to ask questions, they were answered to my satisfaction, and I understand my rights and responsibilities as a client. I give consent to participate in a psychosocial assessment within the above guidelines. I have been given a copy of this form for my records.

Client Signature

Date

Deja Fuimaono, LCSW  
State License #8661-C

Date