

#### ABI BLACKMAN B.Sc. Hons. M.A.

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Born: January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1973, Female, Married +4, Citizenship – British and Israeli

### **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

#### 2016-Present

## Abi Write With You: Freelance Writing and Editing Services

- Writing and editing grant proposals, donor reports, professional bios and other strategic RD materials.
- Writing, content editing, copy editing, proofreading E.G. literary materials
  on Jewish thought, academic faculty profiles, educational materials for formal
  and informal editors, curriculum writing for professional training seminars.

#### 2013-2016:

## Moriah College, Sydney

## **Experiential Department for Jewish Education and Jewish Studies Teacher**

- Management of a team of informal educators and counsellors
- Oversight for school-wide Jewish experiential programs and projects
- Curriculum writing for informal Jewish Education Programs for years 7-12
- Editing of strategic resource development materials for Moriah Foundation

#### 2003-2013:

# American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee

## International Relations Executive / Co-Director of Education and Training

- Strategic oversight & management of multi-million dollar donor partnerships
- Strategic planning and staffing of local and overseas delegations including global public speaking events and solicitations in the US, Israel, FSU, Ethiopia.
- Writing and editing of grant proposals, donor reports, promotional materials
- Planning and implementation of professional enrichment training seminars for the International Relations division – particularly public speakers' trainings, and donor cultivation seminars.

2001-2003:

**Unicorn Solutions** 

**Human Resources Coordinator** 

1999-2001:

University of Judaism, Los Angeles, Israel Branch, Bet Rickliss

**Educator of Medical Ethics and Philosophy** 

1997-2001:

Midreshet Harova College for Higher Education, Old City, Jerusalem

Coordinator of Programs for Overseas Students, Educator

- Coordination of education (formal and informal) of 150 students
- Facilitation of team of formal and informal educators
- Educator of Jewish philosophy and Jewish Ethics

1996-1997:

Bnei Akiva, Great Britain and Ireland

**Education Director of International Youth Movement** 

1996-1997:

City of London School for Girls

**Teacher, Jewish Studies Department** 

<b>EDUCATION</b>	
1995-96	King's College, London Master's Degree in Medical Ethics and Medical Law
1994-95	Jew's College, University of London Master's Course in Comparative Jewish Medical Ethics and Law
1992-95	University College, London BSc. Psychology: Upper Second Class
1991-92	Orot Israel College, Theological Academy, Israel
1984-91	Haberdashers' Aske's School for Girls, London, England

## **AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

1997	Published – The British Journal of Medical Psychology (1997), 70, 51-63 "Ethical Ideology and the Allocation of Scarce Medical Resources"
1995	King's College, London – Awarded the 'Pattinson-Brewer Scholarship Award'
1993	University College, London – Awarded the 'Burt Award for Excellence'

# **VOLUNTARY EXPERIENCE**

1998-2008	Zichron Menachem, Israeli Charity for Children with Cancer Voluntary work with sick children, their siblings and parents
1992-97	Camp Simcha International Charity for Children with Cancer Co-Founder and Director of UK Branch

- Establishment of Camp Simcha, UK as a registered charity
- Design, coordination and implementation of programs for patients and staff
- Counselling for the seriously ill and the bereaved
- Design, coordination and implementation of fundraising events
- Design of individual follow-up programs for patients, families, volunteers
- Responsibility for recruitment and training of team of 50 volunteers

# **GENERAL SKILLS AND INFORMATION**

- Languages: English mother tongue; Hebrew Fluent
- Exceptionally organized, good leadership skills, good interpersonal and written/verbal communication skills
- Quick learner, able to multi-task and perform under pressure