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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Dr. Mike Zaccariello brings over 30 years of mental health experience, 17 years of which at Mayo Clinic-Rochester. He has distinguished clinical, research, and leadership experience in clinical psychology and pediatric/adult neuropsychology across academic medical centers, military environments, and religious/spiritual settings. He has demonstrated exceptional capacity to build, scale, and sustain high-value programs and teams while maintaining rigorous standards, values, and cultures.

His unique combination of clinical excellence, research productivity (multi-million dollar federally funded research grants), educational leadership (training 11 fellows to successful practice; voted Teacher of the Year), military service (25 years as an Army Reserve Officer with multiple forward deployments), and community engagement (ordained Catholic Deacon) positions him to establish Rochester's premier private neuropsychological practice.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS FOR PRACTICE SUCCESS

Clinical Excellence & Market Demand

- Board-certified by the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP) — the gold standard neuropsychology credentialing authority in the United States
- 17 years specializing in high-complexity pediatric and adult neuropsychological assessment
- Expertise spans epilepsy, cancer, spina bifida, prematurity, craniofacial conditions, genetic conditions, neurodevelopmental disorders (e.g., autism spectrum), learning disabilities, and ADHD
- Established referral networks across Mayo Clinic departments and regional medical communities
- Experienced psychotherapist providing evidence-based clinical care for adults with mood disorders (e.g., depression/anxiety) and complex trauma

Proven Leadership & Program Development

- Clinical Director, Adult Mood Disorders Program, Mayo Clinic Depression Center (2020–2021)
- Pediatric Neuropsychology Track Director, Medical Psychology Fellowship Program (2013–2021) — developed training program, mentored 11 fellows, all placed successfully
- Director, Research Psychometric Resource (2011–2013) — managed infrastructure supporting multimillion-dollar research initiatives
- Military leadership (1994-2001; 2010-2025): Retired Lieutenant Colonel (LTC); Aide de Camp to the Commanding General; Commanded Army Reserve units; Liaison to Deputy Commanding General,

Detainee Operations, Operation New Dawn; Chief Clinical Psychologist; Hospital Center & Field Hospital
Chief Observer-Controller Trainer

Research & Academic Impact

- Co-Investigator on four multi-million dollar federal grants (NIH, NINDS)
- 32 peer-reviewed publications in premier journals (Anesthesiology, British Journal of Anaesthesia, Epilepsia, Nature Reviews Neurology); 4 book chapters; 6 published abstracts
- Led, participated in, or contributed to 33 invited oral presentations or poster sessions and regional, national, and international psychological or neuropsychological conferences
- Assistant Professor, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine (2014–2025)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN (2008–2025)

Consultant, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry and Neurocognitive Disorders, Assistant Professor

- Built the pediatric neuropsychology clinical service and fellowship (training program)
- Revitalized and directed the Adult Mood Disorders Intensive Outpatient Program
- Conducted 2,500 to 3,000 comprehensive neuropsychological evaluations
- Specialized expertise in pediatric epilepsy, cancer, traumatic brain injury, craniofacial disorders, ADHD, autism spectrum, neurodegenerative disorders, and chronic pain
- Collaborated across neurosurgery, neurology, psychiatry, and physical medicine and rehabilitation — generating cross-specialty referrals

United States Army Reserve (1993-2001; 2010-2025)

Aide de Camp; Company Commander, Chief Psychologist; Hospital Center & Field Hospital Chief Observer/Controller/Trainer Psychologist

- 25 years commissioned officer service, achieving the rank of Lieutenant Colonel
- Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General, 330th Medical Brigade
- Company Commander/Executive Officer (2002–2004) — led 100+ soldiers, managed \$2M+ equipment/budget
- Clinical Psychologist, Operation New Dawn, Iraq — provided combat stress control and mental health services to service members and local populations; medical liaison to the Deputy Command General, Detainee Operations, United States Forces-Iraq
- Chief Clinical Psychologist, Operation Spartan Shield – subject matter expert on psychological evaluations and interventions for mental health disorders in the theater of operations
- Hospital Center & Field Hospital Chief Observer Controller Trainer – led 40+ soldiers in providing high fidelity evaluations of medical units comprising 300+ personnel preparing for overseas deployments

- Decorations: 23 medals, including Meritorious Service Medal (3), Army Commendation Medal (5); 3 service ribbons

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Catholic Church Ministry (2020–Present)

Permanent Deacon, Christ the King, Holy Family, and Saint John Baptiste de la Salle parishes

- Incardinated in the Diocese of Winona-Rochester
- Member of Bishop’s Mental Health Roundtable; Member of the Director of Diaconate Deacon Senate
- Retained mental health expert, Marriage Tribunal
- Provides pastoral presentations and counseling, integrating clinical expertise with spiritual care

Compassion Counseling Center (2012–2023)

Clinical Supervisor

- Provided pro bono supervision for community lay counselors
- Expanded access to quality mental health services for underserved populations

The Reading Center Dyslexia of MN (2014–2018)

Board of Directors

- Nonprofit governance supporting children with learning disabilities
- Strategic planning and program development

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

- BA Clinical Psychology — DePaul University (1993)
- MA & PhD, Clinical Psychology — Case Western Reserve University (2006)
- Neuropsychology Internship — Rush Medical College (2005)
- Pediatric Neuropsychology Fellowship — Medical College of Wisconsin (2008)
- Board Certification: American Board of Clinical Neuropsychology (2011–Present)
- Minnesota Licensed Psychologist (LP 4968, Medical Psychology) — 17 years active
- Executive Development: Mayo Clinic Values-Based Leadership Course (2023); Workforce Learning Accelerate! Program (2024); Floyd Consulting, Dream Manager Certification Training (2023)
- Professional Military Education: Armor Officer Basic Course (1993); Combat Operational Stress Control Course (2011); Medical Service Officer Advanced Course (2012); Combat Life Saver (2015);

Combat Operational Stress Control and Traumatic Event Management Course (2016); Foreign Officer
Liaison Course (2020)
