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# *Biography of Melissa M. Bradley*

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## **Clinical**

Melissa (Missy) Bradley, M.S., NCC, B.C.E.T.S. F.A.A.E.T.S. is a nationally recognized clinical educator, corporate consultant and author. She received both a Bachelor of Science in Education and Master of Counseling Psychology from the University of Tennessee .

*Bradley has spent twenty-seven years as an educator and, later, a psychotherapist, providing individual, group and family training and therapy. She is now a private practitioner and consultant in the Nashville, TN and a resilience coaching office in Huntsville, AL. As an EMDR trained (Level I and Level II; specialized protocol trainings) psychotherapist, she has had extensive experience in the field of sexual trauma and often trains personnel at medical and mental health agencies, universities, crisis lines, school systems, corporations and retreat centers in dealing with victims of trauma and other mental health and wellness issues. She has professional experience as a Child Sexual Abuse Investigator and provides expert witness testimony in criminal and civil court.*



*Most notably, as the developer of many seminars based on resilience and post traumatic growth. Some of the seminars she has taught throughout the United States and Canada: "Counseling Those Who Serve: Working with Veterans, First Responders and Their Families" and "Counseling Victims of Sexual Trauma: Three Stages of Healing", Resilience: Helping Clients Navigate the Heroic Journey to Transformation," and "Three Stages of Healing: Trauma Conversion and Resilience."*

*Bradley has taught many tens of thousands of professionals, including physicians, psychologists, nurses, Law Enforcement and District Attorneys in hundreds of cities in forty-nine states in the U.S., Canada and Central America.*

*Ms. Bradley is a Fellow, Diplomate and Board Certified Expert in Traumatic Stress for the prestigious American Academy of Experts in Traumatic Stress and a National Certified Counselor. She has been a frequent keynote speaker at national and statewide conventions. Among her professional associations, Bradley is a member of the*

*American Counseling Association (ACA) and the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT).*

*Ms. Bradley is a frequent guest on regional and national radio and television news shows discussing a wide range of issues. Several of those news series addressing the subject of rape and sexual abuse have won prestigious national and international media awards for those interviews, including the Scripps Howard Award for Broadcasting Excellence, the Edward R. Murrow Award, the Tennessee Educators Association and the New York Festival.*

### **Business**

*In addition to her clinical background, Missy spent twelve years as a trainer and organizational development professional with Gaylord Entertainment and its subsidiaries at that time. She has developed and led hundreds of specialized professional trainings and retreats on professional/personal leadership and development, such as: Myers-Briggs Type Indicator seminars, DiSC, Management Development, Corporate Wellness Seminars, Leadership Retreats in metropolitan communities, Team Building and is a frequent keynote speaker at conventions and conferences. She has trained international management teams, government leadership at state and local levels, school systems, hospitals, churches, as well as line employees of all sizes of organizations.*

### **And Beyond**

*As a long time veteran advocate, Missy volunteers at Operation Stand Down, Inc. – a two-year transitional housing program for homeless veterans and is on the advisory board, writes curriculum and leads national groups for Not Alone ([www.notalone.com](http://www.notalone.com)) a national veterans program based in Middle TN.*

*Melissa is on the Board of Making the World A Better Place, which is filming a PBS Special on the heroic journey of children and their families healing from the experience of divorce. The name of the film is called A Place of Refuge. Bradley's work with the heroic journey will also be featured during this PBS special.*

*As a long-time resident of Middle Tennessee, since 1984, Bradley has been a dedicated volunteer for many Middle Tennessee organizations. Most notably, she has given the most time to: The Crisis Intervention Center of Middle Tennessee, Nashville Symphony Chorus and Nashville Opera Chorus, The Rape and Sexual Abuse Center, Agape, My Friend's House and gave her time to train the community on mental health and crime issues.*

*Before moving to Middle Tennessee, she worked as an educator in the Knox County school system and a long-time Red Cross Volunteer.*

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