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My journey as a Clinical Animal Behaviourist began in 1986 while working for Guide Dogs for the Blind. In 1987, I transitioned to full-time practice. As one of the inaugural recipients of a Postgraduate Diploma in Companion Animal Behaviour Counselling from the University of Southampton, I furthered my education with an MSc, also at

Southampton University.

Until 2009, I operated from the Pet Behaviour Centre in Worcestershire, UK, conducting referral clinics across the Midlands. For over two decades, I served as the visiting behaviour counsellor at Queens Veterinary School, Cambridge University.

Relocating to Finland in 2009, my wife Tuulia and I managed a referral practice at AB Klinikka, a veterinary and animal behaviour clinic. Additionally, we established and led the behaviour clinic at Helsinki University Veterinary School, contributing to lectures for veterinary students and overseeing research projects.

Throughout my career until my retirement from clinical work in 2021, I served as a frequent lecturer in various European countries. Until its closure in 2010, I lectured on the Companion Animal Behaviour Counselling (Clinical Animal Behaviour) Course at the University of Southampton.

My substantial professional involvement includes founding membership and past chairmanship of the Association of Pet Behaviour Counsellors (APBC). I also served on the committees of the British Small Animal Veterinary Association's affiliated Companion Animal Behaviour Therapy Study Group and the accreditation committee for the Certification of Clinical Animal Behaviourists (CCAB). Moreover, I have an extensive background as a police dog handler in the Royal Air Force.