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Mission Statement

For over 20 years, I practiced as a full-time medical oncologist in Lake St. Louis. While I continue to see patients in a limited clinical role, the two decades I spent treating cancer in my hometown remain the privilege of my professional life.

But a busy clinical practice leaves little room for deeper investigation.

A simple analogy: a first responder at the scene of a bridge collapse is fully consumed with helping the victims. Figuring out the structural deficiencies that caused the bridge to fall is a job for another time.

For me, that time is now.

The process of carcinogenesis is complex, but science continues to steadily unlock its mysteries. Much is already known. More is knowable. From the tobacco industry's generational cover-up to the local legacy of Manhattan Project uranium waste deposited throughout St. Louis—including my own ZIP code's recent addition to an exposure catchment under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act—many of the environmental dots are there to be connected.

Unfortunately, the pattern of exposing the public to known carcinogens continues. Regulatory ground that took decades to win is being quietly given back—through executive actions shielding agricultural chemical manufacturers from liability, policy shifts loosening tobacco and e-cigarette oversight, and the steady rollback of industrial emissions standards.

The mechanisms change. The pattern doesn't.

Nexus Oncology bridges the gap between the clinical diagnosis of cancer and its cause.

Nexus Oncology is built around three connected pillars:

Medico-legal consulting. Expert witness and case-review work for attorneys litigating complex oncology cases, particularly those involving occupational and environmental cancer claims, with specialty interests in mesothelioma and asbestos-related disease and in glyphosate litigation.

Public education and writing. Long-form writing on the history, science, and business of healthcare—connecting policy, law, and environmental carcinogenesis to what is happening today.

Speaking and education. Talks and continuing education for physicians, attorneys, advocacy groups, and community organizations on occupational and environmental oncology—translating the clinical and scientific literature into something a jury, a journalist, or a family can actually use.

Across all three, the mission is the same: to bring the clinical perspective of oncology to the broader questions surrounding cancer—its science, its causes, its consequences, and the systems that shape how we understand it.

Because the diagnosis is sometimes only the beginning of the story.

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