



meet
**JOURNEY
ADOPTION
CONSULTANTS**





HELLO!

I AM SO THANKFUL YOU'RE HERE!

My name is Leigh Ann Dale, and I am the founder of Journey Adoption Consultants. My husband and I adopted our son in 2012 and our daughter in 2017. I noticed through our own adoption journeys the overall lack of support and education for adoptive parents. After completing our family, I founded Journey Adoption Consultants, LLC in the fall of 2018. I felt a calling from the Lord to help educate and support adoptive families as they walk through the journey of domestic adoption.

When I started JAC, I found that a lot of families were approved to adopt but didn't have any education and true understanding of adoption and the process it entails. I then set out to put together a process that not only walks families step-by-step through the adoption process but also educates them in all aspects of adoption. We are continuously raising the bar for our education and are always looking for new and creative ways to help educate our families. Our process has helped set our families apart from other adoptive families. Adoption education is a non-negotiable for JAC families, and nothing is ever sugar-coated. Our process for extensive education allows our agency network to have the time they need to spend on their expecting mothers, so they can be better supported and empowered.

Since JAC's start, we've proudly helped over 180 families adopt and do adoption better. As you read through this packet, my prayer is that you see the advantages of what we provide here at JAC, and you want to learn more about partnering. I'd love nothing more than to talk about how we can combine our services to help build a better adoption community.

MANY BLESSINGS,

Leigh Ann Dale

Founder & Consulting Director



MEET THE JAC TEAM



ALABAMA



BRE STARKS

Adoption Consultant

I am a two-time adoptive mother! We adopted our daughter in 2018 and our son in 2021 with the help of JAC. I joined the JAC team in 2020 as the Agency Coordinator, but not long after joining JAC, I transitioned into an Adoption Consultant, where I spend my days educating, guiding, and encouraging hopeful families. I'm a huge advocate of open adoption, as both of my children have an open adoption. My clients become a part of my family!



TEXAS



MARCY PEDERSON

Adoption Consultant

I am a mother to three and married to an adoptee. I joined the JAC Team in 2023 after working in the adoption field for over 20 years. My passions are my family, adoption, and raising awareness for autism. I have personal and professional experience working with children with special needs. I am excited to walk hand-in-hand with adoptive families and pray with them throughout their journey.



ALABAMA



STARRE GUFFEY

Network Specialist

I am a mother to three, two biological and one adopted. My background is in education, and I have spent 14 years in the Alabama teaching system. Adoption is the gospel, and I see it lived out in my living room every single day. I pray to help many families connect with a great ethical agency, to ultimately grow their family through adoption!

WHAT WE OFFER

CONTINUOUS GUIDANCE We guide and educate our families on all aspects of the adoption process – from start to finish we hold their hand and help them understand each step. We educate families on proper adoption language, what to expect during the home study, assistance with finding a local licensed home study provider, help with financial guidance to afford adoption, guidance on selecting their preferences, open adoption, how to work with an agency, creating an effective profile book, what to expect once matched, and helping them prepare for the hospital and placement.

CHRISTIAN COMPANY We are a Christian company run on Christian values. We strive to serve the Lord as we walk adoptive families through the adoption process.

OUR VALUES We value everyone in the adoption process – the adoptive family, the expecting parents, the child, and YOU! We believe that we all matter and that everyone deserves respect.


ADOPTION EDUCATION We believe that adoption education is extremely important and that you should never stop learning. We have partnered with Creating A Family Education. Our families are required to take ten hours of adoption training, free of charge. The adoption training covers domestic adoption, open adoption, transracial adoption, and prenatal exposure. We've also partnered with The Adoption Doc, Dr. Sara Silvestri. Our families are given a one-on-one call with Dr. Silvestri to learn more about prenatal exposures and mental health history. Our families are given an adoption education guide and access to our private Facebook group, where we share education on various adoption topics and help walk them through each step of the adoption process.

PROFILE BOOK GUIDANCE Our families are offered multiple options for profile book creation. Our most popular option is a custom, professionally designed profile book from Little Ampersand Co, included with our package. Each family's book is tailored to represent the adoptive family, but is also designed with expecting parents in mind. We help our families with text and picture selection. We provide guidelines to make sure their book can be presented by any adoption entity.


HOW WE HELP FAMILIES ADOPT Part of our services is connecting our families with agencies and attorneys they can trust. We have a network of agencies and attorneys we have vetted, and they trust us because we've properly educated our families and are always available to them and our families. They turn to us when they need to match an expecting mother, and we pass those situations on to our families free of charge! We would love the opportunity to partner with you for these times as well!

OUR AVAILABILITY We are available to our clients and network any time of the day by phone, text, and email! We don't have regular working hours because we understand adoption isn't a 9-5 industry! The same goes when it comes to our network - we're always available! We've answered calls at 11:30 PM and at 6:00 AM - we understand it just comes with the territory!

HOW WE CAN HELP YOU! We know you are stretched thin and don't have the time to walk families through the general adoption process. This is where we come in to help you! Our families are home-study-approved, educated, and financially ready. When you need to find the right family for your expecting mother, we'd love for you to think of JAC to help you during these times!



The work we do with our families allows you more time to concentrate on serving expecting mothers.



PAST FAMILY TESTIMONIALS



The "U" Family

"Our initial phone call with Leigh Ann sealed our hearts to work with JAC. She is genuine and committed to supporting you along the way. While those we knew at the time had not contracted a consultant, we felt the benefits were a need, not a luxury. Every service was absolutely essential to our adoption journey, and not a luxury at all! Families we've met so far who have asked us where to begin have been directed to JAC without any doubt! If you are answering the call to adopt, build JAC into your budget at the start and don't look back! You will not regret your decision. JAC is a lighthouse in the vast ocean of adoption, shining a light all over the home!"

The "R" Family

When my husband and I started our adoption journey, we interviewed with several adoption consultants, and none felt right to us till we spoke with Bre. Bre made it so easy for us throughout each step. If we had any questions, she always made herself available. I remember the day we got matched. Bre was genuinely so happy, I could hear it in her voice. We received phone calls from both Bre and Leigh Ann, walking us through the next steps. Bre checked in on us daily, and it meant so much to us. We have now been blessed with our beautiful baby girl.



The "K" Family

We started our journey by talking to a few consultants. As soon as I spoke to Leigh Ann, I knew I couldn't work with anyone else! I immediately trusted her to guide us on our journey. She held our hand throughout it all! We matched two weeks after becoming home study approved, through a case we got directly from Leigh Ann! A couple of months later, we found ourselves experiencing a disruption, and not only was she there to tell us everything would be okay, but she helped us dust ourselves off, hold onto our faith, and continue our journey without missing a beat. She connected us with an agency looking for families, and a few weeks later, we matched! Leigh Ann supported us every step of the way! I would recommend her again and again! Thank you, Leigh Ann and JAC for helping us find our missing piece.



OUR CURRENT HOME STUDY APPROVED FAMILIES



IOWA



GEORGIA



KANSAS



WASHINGTON



WYOMING



COLORADO



VIRGINIA



WASHINGTON DC



TEXAS



NEW MEXICO



ILLINOIS



VIRGINIA



CALIFORNIA



FLORIDA

THANK YOU!

YOUR TIME IS VALUABLE, LET US HELP!

Thank you so much for letting us tell you more about JAC. We are looking to expand our network and would love to connect with you. Our prayer is that the services we provide our families you will find valuable. We'd love to set up a time to chat and learn more about each other and see how we can work together and continue building forever families.

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO CHATTING SOON,

Leigh Ann Dale

