



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. Through our own adoption journeys, I recognized a significant gap in both education and support for adoptive families. After completing our family, I founded Journey Adoption Consultants, LLC in the fall of 2018, feeling called to equip and guide families through the domestic adoption process.

Early on, I saw that many families were approved to adopt but lacked a true understanding of adoption and all it entails. In response, I developed a structured process that not only walks families step-by-step through adoption but also provides comprehensive, honest education at every stage. We continually raise the standard of our program, seeking new and effective ways to prepare our families. At JAC, education is non-negotiable, and we prioritize transparency so families are fully equipped for the journey ahead. This preparation also allows our agency partners to focus more fully on supporting and empowering expectant mothers.

Since our founding, we have had the privilege of helping over 180 families successfully navigate adoption. As you review this information, my hope is that you'll see the value of our approach and consider the opportunity to partner together. I would welcome the chance to connect and discuss how we can collaborate to better serve the 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!



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MARCY PEDERSON

Adoption Consultant

I am a mother to three, married to an adoptee, and an adoption social worker. 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 provide comprehensive guidance and education throughout every stage of the adoption journey. From the initial steps to final placement, we walk alongside our families to ensure they feel informed, prepared, and supported. Our services include education on adoption language, home study preparation and referrals to licensed providers, financial planning, preference selection, open adoption, working with agencies, creating effective profile books, and preparing for match, hospital, and placement.

CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION Journey Adoption Consultants is a Christian organization grounded in faith-based values. We are committed to serving the Lord as we guide and support adoptive families throughout their journey.

OUR VALUES We value every individual involved in the adoption process—the adoptive family, expectant parents, the child, and our professional partners. We believe each person deserves dignity, respect, and compassionate care.



ADOPTION EDUCATION We believe education is essential to ethical and successful adoptions. Our families are required to complete ten hours of adoption training through Creating a Family Education at no cost. This training covers key topics such as domestic adoption, open adoption, transracial adoption, and prenatal exposure. We also partner with The Adoption Doc, Dr. Sara Silvestri, who provides one-on-one consultations to educate families on prenatal exposures and mental health history. In addition, families receive a comprehensive education guide and access to our private online community, where we provide ongoing support and resources.

PROFILE BOOK GUIDANCE We offer multiple options for profile book creation, including a custom, professionally designed book through Little Ampersand Co, included in our services. Each profile is thoughtfully tailored to reflect the adoptive family while also resonating with expectant parents. We guide families through both content and photo selection to ensure their profile can be presented effectively by any adoption professional.

HOW WE HELP FAMILIES ADOPT A key component of our service is connecting families with trusted agencies and attorneys within our vetted network. Our partners value working with JAC families because they are well-prepared, educated, and supported. When agencies or attorneys are seeking a match for an expectant mother, they often turn to us—and we share those opportunities with our families at no additional cost. We would welcome the opportunity to partner with you in the same way.

OUR AVAILABILITY We understand that adoption does not follow a typical schedule. That's why we are available to our clients and professional partners by phone, text, and email at all hours. Whether late at night or early in the morning, we are committed to being accessible when it matters most.

HOW WE CAN SUPPORT YOU We recognize the demands placed on adoption professionals and the limited time available to educate and prepare families. That is where we can help. JAC families are home study-approved, thoroughly educated, and financially prepared. When you are seeking the right family for an expectant mother, we would be honored to be a trusted resource.



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.



THANK YOU!

YOUR TIME IS VALUABLE, LET US HELP!

Thank you for the opportunity to share more about Journey Adoption Consultants. We are continuing to grow our network and would welcome the opportunity to connect with you.

It is our hope that you find value in the services we provide to our families. We would love to schedule a time to learn more about your work, share more about ours, and explore how we can partner together to better serve families and continue building forever families.

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO CHATTING SOON,

Leigh Ann Dale

