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Certification: Passed a 240 item cognitive examination and an 8 item performance examination and was awarded board certification by the Board of Forensic Document Examiners in 2003.

Passed written and oral examinations; was awarded board certification in Document Examination by the National Association of Document Examiners in 1997.

Experience: Private practice for 17 years examining cases from North Carolina and 31 other states, as well as Canada, China, Ireland, England, and Saudi Arabia. Accepted as an expert witness and testified in state civil and/or criminal courts in North Carolina, Virginia, Indiana, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, and Washington D.C., and in federal court; appointed by state and federal courts

Proficiency: In 1998-2000 participated in the annual Forensic Testing Program in Handwriting Examination or Document Examination. These tests are administered by Collaborative Testing Services of Herndon, Virginia, cooperating with the Document Section - American Academy of Forensic Sciences.

In 2001, 2002 and 2003 participated successfully in the Handwriting Identification proficiency testing program of the Forensic Expertise Profiling Laboratory at Latrobe University in Australia. Results available upon request.

Professional Associations:

- Member of the National Association of Document Examiners (NADE). Appointed Education Chairman and member of the Board of Directors of NADE in 1997. Editor of the NADE Journal, 1998 to 2003. Elected 2nd Vice President in 2000 and 1st Vice President in 2003.
- Member of the Association of Forensic Document Examiners (AFDE)
- Member of the International Graphonomics Society - a society for the science and technology of handwriting and other graphic skills.
- Member of the ASTM, International subcommittee E-30.02 on Questioned Documents

Education: BS in Education - Syracuse University, 1969
MA in Counseling - Syracuse University, 1970

Training: Studied 1 ½ years (1985-86) as a private student of Mr. Felix Klein, during which completed course work, and examinations in the field of Document Examination. Mr. Klein, a document examiner with 40 years experience, served as a consultant to the United Nations and testified in many foreign countries, and in the U.S.

As a student examined hundreds of groups of handwritings and typewritings, participated in examinations of then current cases, and assisted in preparation of exhibits and court testimony. Cases involved anonymous letters, questioned insurance claims, check signatures and endorsements, wills, deeds of trust, medical records, and other documents where questions involving handwriting, typewriting, obliteration, alteration, impressions, journal entries, etc., were answered.

Attended the seminars in Printing Process Identification and Image Analysis for Forensic Document Examiners at Rochester Institute of Technology in June 2001 and 2002.

Certified MICS (Measurement of Internal Consistencies Software) user after attending training in September 2001 and February 2003.

Continuing
Education:

Continuing education through journals, workshops and seminars. Attended the NADE 3-4 day seminars in 1996-2003. Additionally, in 1988, 1989, 1993, 1996, 1999 and 2003 attended the annual Scientific Sessions of the Questioned Document Section of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. Also attended the symposium of the Association of Forensic Document Examiners (AFDE) in 2001, 2002 and 2003 and the ASTM E30.02 subcommittee meeting in 2002, 2003 and 2004.

Equipment:

American Optical Document Comparison Microscope (7x-25x) with photo and video attachments, Bausch and Lomb Stereozoom5 microscope with 2x lens and both 10x and 20x eyepieces, Monolux portable microscope, digital paper micrometer, Foster and Freeman VSC-4 Video Spectral Comparator, VacuBox Indentation Materializer, light table, ultra-violet light cabinet, Eschenbach illuminated magnification system with precision measuring scale, Nikon Digital camera, Wratten filters, Ken-A-Vision video-microscopy system with computer interface, Pentium based computer, UMAX scanner, MICS software.

Library:

Professional library containing over 500 articles and monographs and 50 plus books on the subjects of handwriting identification and document examination.

Publications:

Article: Good Standards in Document Examination Cases, *Trial Briefs* (North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers) Summer, 1988
Article: Medical Records Case Solved Photographically, *NADE Journal*, Spring, 1998
Article: Ink Differentiation with Digital Photography, *NADE Journal*, Spring, 1999 and *International Journal of Forensic Document Examination*. 1999
Article: A Discussion of Dandy Rolls and Watermarks - co-author Mr. Robert Johnson , *NADE Journal*, Fall, 1999
Article: The Microscope - Through the Looking Glass - *Chemistry in Australia* - (The Journal of the Royal Society of Chemists in Australia) May 2000
Article: Handwriting, Biomechanics and Significance: Concepts in Handwriting Identification, *NADE Journal*, Summer 2001
Article: Seeing is Believing – Exhibits from the Perspective of the Forensic Document Examiner, *Illinois Law Enforcement Executive Forum*, Vol. 2, #3, August, 2002

Presentations:

Document Examination and the Internet - 1997 NADE Conference
Tremor in Handwriting – w/ Beryl Gilbertson, M.A. C.Crim.1998 NADE Conference
New Equipment for the Document Examiner - 1999 NADE Conference
Handwriting, Biomechanics and Significance - 2000 NADE Conference
Research for the Document Examiner - 2001 NADE Conference
Line Sequence and MICS – Research in Progress – 2001 AFDE Symposium
The Electromagnetic Spectrum - 2002 NADE Pre-Conference Workshop
Importing Science - 2002 AFDE Symposium
Three Significant Cases – 2003 NADE Conference
Print Process Identification – 2003 AFDE Symposium

References:

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Fee Schedule – Document Examination

Examination of handwriting & report (oral report first, then brief written report if requested) \$500.00
This \$500 acts as a retainer and should be paid when the documents are submitted for examination.
Expansion of written report (after hearing oral report) to include details and images – add \$100-200

Testimony at deposition or court - \$750 per day out of the office plus travel expenses, which include
Airfare or .40 cents per mile driving
Car rental if necessary
Lodging or meals as appropriate
Tolls, parking, miscellaneous

Exhibit Preparation – All testimony is illustrated with demonstrative exhibits – Cost for exhibits will vary depending on complexity of case – The usual range is \$100-200.00

Laboratory examinations for indented writing, presence of multiple inks on a document, alterations and/or obliterations, etc. are performed at an hourly rate of \$125 per hour.

All fees for testimony, estimated travel, exhibits, etc. are to be paid in advance or held in trust by attorney for payment at the time of the testimony.

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