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Employment

FORENSIC DOCUMENT EXAMINER (Private Practice) 2004 - PRESENT

- Examine questioned handwriting and documents for genuineness or spuriousness
- Provide consultation, case review, on-site inspections, written reports, demonstrative exhibits and court testimony

FORENSIC DOCUMENT EXAMINER (New York City Police Dept.) 1982, 1983, 1985 - 2004

- Examine questioned handwriting and documents for genuineness or spuriousness
- Provide written reports, demonstrative exhibits and court testimony
- Collect handwriting specimens from suspects and evidence from crime scenes
- Train personnel in handwriting and document examinations
- Lecture to investigators, supervisors and district attorneys
- Edit and contribute to procedure and training manuals
- Conduct quality assurance assessments
- Supervise Questioned Document Unit personnel

POLICE RECRUIT TRAINING AND PATROL DUTIES (New York City Police Dept.) 1984

FORENSIC SEROLOGIST (New York City Police Dept.) 1980 - 1982

TEACHING POSITIONS

- Hofstra University, Chemistry Department 2005 - PRESENT
 - CUNY John Jay College, Science Department 1978 - 1980
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Education

- MS in Forensic Science, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY 1980
 - BS in Biology, Adelphi University, Garden City, NY 1977
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Certification

- Diplomate, American Board of Forensic Document Examiners 2005
 - Re-certification 2010, 2015, 2020
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Affiliations

- American Academy of Forensic Science
- International Association for Identification
- Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists
- Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists
- New York Microscopical Society
- American Chemical Society

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Specialized Training (Government Courses):

- Three year apprenticeship, *NYPD Questioned Document Unit* (1982/83, 1985/86)
- Fundamentals of Documents Examination for Laboratory Personnel Course, *FBI Academy & University of Virginia* (1985)
- Questioned Document Course, *United States Secret Service* (1985)
- Crime Laboratory Photography Course, *FBI Academy & University of Virginia* (1985)
- Typewriter and Printer Examination Course, *FBI Academy & University of Virginia* (1991)
- Latent Print Course, *FBI Academy* (1996)
- Windows and Adobe Photoshop Workshop, *NYPD/FID* (1997)
- Quality Assurance Principals for Laboratory Personnel Course, *NYPD/FID* (1999)
- Microspectrophotometry in Forensic Science Workshop, *NYPD/FID* (2000)
- Introduction to Digital Imaging, *NYPD/FID* (2002)
- Fraudulent Document Examination Course, *NYPD Counter Terrorism Bureau* (2003)
- Graffiti Examination and Comparison Course, *NYPD Vandal Squad* (2003)
- Ethics in Forensic Science Course, *NYPD/FID* (2003)
- Methods Used for Authenticating Questioned Documents Workshop, *United States Secret Service* (2007)
- Charred Document Analysis and Preservation Workshop, *Federal Bureau of Investigation* (2009)
- Fraudulent Signature Analysis Workshop, *Federal Bureau of Investigation* (2009)
- Hyperspectral Imaging Workshop, *Library of Congress Research Preservation and Testing Laboratory and the United States Secret Service* (2013)
- The Application of Questioned Document Examinations to the Analysis of Valuable Signatures and Other Antiques Workshop, *Federal Bureau of Investigation* (2015)
- Examination of Torn/Cut Edges Workshop, *Federal Bureau of Investigation* (2019)
- Examining Writing on Unusual Surfaces Workshop, *Federal Bureau of Investigation* (2019)

Specialized Training (University Courses):

- Survey of Questioned Documents Course, *CUNY John Jay College* (1980)
- Questioned Document Handwriting Course, *Valencia College* (1986)
- Advanced Handwriting Identification, Theory, Mechanics, Analysis and the Fundamentals of Disguised Writing Course, *University of New Haven* (1998)
- Printing Process Identification and Image Analysis for Forensic Document Examiners Course, *Rochester Institute of Technology* (2001)

Specialized Training (Professional Organizations):

- Signature Identification Workshop, *American Academy of Forensic Sciences* (1988)
- Typewriting Examination and Classification Workshop, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (1994)
- Crime Laboratory Photography Workshop, *Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists* (1994)
- Signature Workshop, *Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists* (1995)
- Expert Witness and Testimony Workshop, *American Academy of Forensic Sciences* (1997)

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Specialized Training and Workshops (Professional Organizations continued):

- Paper and Fiber Examination Workshop, *Integrated Paper Services & the Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners* (2000)
- Expert Witness and Litigation Course, *SEAK, Inc.* (2000)
- Visual Spectral Comparator Workshop, *Foster & Freeman* (2003)
- Inkjet Printer Workshop, *Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists* (2004)
- Check Washing Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2004)
- Facsimile Examinations Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2004)
- Adobe Photoshop Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2004)
- Rubber Stamp Examinations Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2004)
- The Reasoning Process Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2004)
- Multi-Faceted Examinations Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2004)
- Printing Process Examinations Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2005)
- Visible, Infrared and Ultraviolet Examinations Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2005)
- Line Intersection and Alterations Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2005)
- Signature Workshop, *New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, Office of Forensic Services, Technical Working Group for Document Examiners* (2006)
- Flap and Seal Integrity Workshop, *New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, Office of Forensic Services, Technical Working Group for Document Examiners* (2006)
- Theory and Applications Workshop for the Foster and Freeman Video Spectral Comparators and the Electrostatic Detection Apparatus, *Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2006)
- Authentication and Dating Methods in Forensic Document Examination Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2006)
- Duplicate Rubber Stamp Examinations Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2006)
- Signature Disguise and Simulation Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2006)
- Signature Auto-Forgery Workshop, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2006)
- Disguised and Distorted Handwriting Workshop, *New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, Office of Forensic Services, Technical Working Group for Document Examiners* (2007)
- Examining Documents Requiring a Multi-Faceted Approach Workshop, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2007)
- Sequencing of Indented Impressions Workshop, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2007)
- Courtroom Testimony for Forensic Document Examiners Workshop, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2007)
- Forensic Examination of Computer Generated Documents Workshop, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2007)
- Photocopier, Facsimile and New Technology Workshop, *Canon Imaging Group, Southeast Region System & Technical Support Division* (2008)

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Specialized Training and Workshops (Professional Organizations continued):

- Risograph Digital Duplicator Workshop, *New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, Office of Forensic Services, Technical Working Group for Document Examiners* (2008)
- Dichroic Filter Workshop, *Skill-Task Training, Assessment & Research, Inc.* (2008)
- Handwriting Examinations Involving Extensive Multiple Known Writers Workshop, *Skill-Task Training, Assessment & Research, Inc.* (2008)
- Natural, Disguised, and Simulated Signatures Workshop, *Skill-Task Training, Assessment & Research, Inc.* (2008)
- Inkjet Printing Technology Workshop, *Skill-Task Training, Assessment & Research, Inc.* (2008)
- Digital Photography Course, *Skill-Task Training, Assessment & Research, Inc.* (2008)
- Salvage and Restoration of Water Damaged and Charred Media Course, *Document Reprocessors* (2009)
- Hyper Spectral Imaging Workshop, *ChemImage* (2009)
- Improving the Quality and Reliability of Forensic Sciences Course, *John Jay College Office of Continuing Professional Studies* (2010)
- Cutting Edge Issues in Forensic Science: Pattern and Impression Evidence, National Academy of Sciences Study and Forensic Ethics Course, *American Bar Association and the American Academy of Forensic Sciences* (2010)
- Expert Testimony CLE, *New York State Bar Association* (2010)
- Signature Examination Workshop - Complex Issues and Common Problems, *American Board of Forensic Document Examiners* (2011)
- Note Taking Techniques and Considerations for Document Examiners, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2011)
- Signature Examinations of Healthy and Impaired Writers Workshop, *American Academy of Forensic Sciences* (2013)
- Ultra-Violet and Infrared Capture of Crime Scene Evidence, *The Evidence Conference* (2013)
- Expert Testimony Workshop, *Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2013)
- Getting the Most Out of Your Visual Spectral Comparator Workshop, *Foster & Freeman and Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2015)
- The Examination of Documents Requiring a Multi-Faceted Approach Workshop, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2015)
- Evaluating Signatures Workshop, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2015)
- The Forensic Examination of Electronic Signatures, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2015)
- Steganography and Sympathetic Inks: The History Behind Invisible Inks and the Chemistry Associated With It, *American Chemical Society* (2015)
- The Evaluation of Daubert and Its Effects on the Forensic Sciences, *Jurisprudence Section, American Academy of Forensic Sciences* (2017)
- Charred and Water Soaked Documents Collection, Analysis and Preservation, *FBI/Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2018)
- Fax Font Database - Utilization and Reporting, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2018)

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Specialized Training and Workshops (Professional Organizations continued):

- Forensic Document Examination of Rubber Stamps and Stamp Impressions, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2018)
- How Chemical Examinations of Ink and Paper Can Corroborate and Supplement Forensic Document Examinations, *Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists* (2019)
- Applying Communication Science Principles to Forensic Report Writing and Courtroom Testimony, *Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists* (2020)
- Writing Reports Workshop, *Australasian Society of Forensic Document Examiners* (2021)
- Digital Examination Techniques Workshop, *Australasian Society of Forensic Document Examiners* (2021)
- Technology and Design of Security Documents Workshop, *Australasian Society of Forensic Document Examiners* (2022)
- Signatures: Disguised or Simulated Workshop, *Australasian Society of Forensic Document Examiners* (2022)
- Digitally Captured Signature Technology Applied to Pen and Paper Casework Workshop, *American Society of Questioned Document Examiners* (2023)
- Digitally Captured Signature Visualizations - Numbers to Images Workshop, *American Society of Questioned Document Examiners* (2023)

Meetings:

- American Academy of Forensic Sciences (1988, 1996 - 1998, 2008, 2013, 2017, 2021)
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (1986, 2001, 2023)
- American Bar Association - Criminal Justice Forensics Conference (2010, 2018)
- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners (2004 - 2006)
- Australasian Society of Forensic Document Examiners (2021, 2022)
- International Symposium on Questioned Document, Federal Bureau of Investigation (1999)
- New York State Technical Working Group for Document Examiners (2005 - 2009, 2011)
- Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists (1979 - 2007, 2013)
- Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists (1980, 2000, 2004, 2019)
- Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists (1994, 2007, 2011, 2015, 2018)
- Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners (2000)
- New York Microscopical Society (1993, 2004, 2008 - 2018)
- American Chemical Society (2006 - 2008, 2011 - 2015, 2019)
- Southern Association, Midwestern Association, Mid-Atlantic Association and Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists Joint Meeting (2009)
- National Institute of Standards and Technology - Measurement Science and Standards in Forensic Handwriting Analysis Symposium (2013)
- Foster and Freeman Questioned Document Symposium (2021)
- Forensic Document Examiners Live International Knowledge Exchange Conference (2023)

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Presentations:

- A Method for the Recovery of Latent Images From Polaroid Land Negative Sheets, International Symposium on Questioned Documents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Albany, NY (1999)
- Handwriting and Questioned Document Examinations, in-service training courses for the Detective Bureau, Intelligence Division, and Police Academy, New York City Police Department(1986 through 2004)
- CLE, Handwriting and Document Examinations, Brooklyn Bar Association (2008)
- CLE, Handwriting and Document Examinations, Suffolk Academy of Law (2011)
- CLE, Handwriting and Document Examinations, New York County Lawyers' Association (2011)

Publications:

- Editor and contributing author, Questioned Document Procedure Manual and Training Program, New York City Police Department (1999)
- Editor and contributing author, Questioned Document Procedure Manual and Training Program, New York State Police Department (2008)

Miscellaneous:

- Consultant to Hofstra University to develop a New York State accredited Bachelor of Science curriculum in Forensic Science (2004)
- Consultant to the New York State Police Department to provide training in Forensic Document Examination to crime laboratory personnel (2007 and 2008)
- Consultant to the New York State Police Department to provide technical peer review of forensic document cases (2012)
- Assigned to the Questioned Document Expert Witness Panel of the Nassau County Bar Association Assigned Counsel Defender Plan (2013 to present)
- Technical Assessor for ISO Inspection and Accreditation of Crime Laboratories by ASCLD/LAB International (2009 to present)
- Technical Assessor for ISO Inspection and Accreditation of Crime Laboratories by ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board (2013 to present)
- Conducted ISO 17025 accreditation inspection and assessment of the Federal Police Laboratory of Mexico, Questioned Document Section (October 2015)
- Conducted ISO 17025 accreditation inspection and assessment of the United States Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory, Questioned Document Section (November 2015)
- Conducted ISO 17025 accreditation inspection and assessment of the Honolulu Police Department Crime Laboratory, Questioned Document Section (June 2016)
- Conducted ISO 17025 accreditation inspection and assessment of the Attorney General, State of Puebla Mexico, Institute of Forensic Sciences Laboratory, Questioned Document Section (March 2017)
- Conducted ISO 17025 accreditation inspection and assessment of the Attorney General, State of Guanajuato, Mexico, Criminal Investigation Agency, Forensic Laboratories, Questioned Document Section (April 2017)

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Miscellaneous (continued):

- Conducted ISO 17025 accreditation inspection and assessment of the United States Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory, Questioned Document Section (December 2017)
- Conducted ISO 17020 accreditation inspection and assessment of the National Institute of Criminalistics and Criminology of the National Gendarmerie, Algiers, Algeria, Questioned Document Section (April 2018)