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Bart Baggett is a forensic document examiner and an experienced expert witness. He is a skilled authority in handwriting identification and has examined over 14,000 documents as part of over 880 cases. He is a court qualified expert witness in the field of questioned documents within the states of California, Texas, Alaska, Nevada, and Arizona. He has testified in both civil and criminal trials, jury and bench trials, and even in Federal Court. He has consulted on cases nationwide and from the nation's top media personalities, lawyers, and district attorneys.

Mr. Baggett is a frequent guest expert for CNN and has appeared on over 1500/Radio TV shows including Fox News Network, CBS The Today Show alongside hosts such as Larry King, Ashleigh Banfield, Paula Zahn and Nancy Grace.

Mr. Baggett is an active member of the ACFEI (American College of Forensic Examiners Institute) and holds the prestigious status of Diplomate with that organization. He has also been a member of ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials) for the past decade.

Bart Baggett has worked on cases, lectured, and taught handwriting related classes for over 20 years in the United States, Singapore, and India.

Baggett has a B.A. from Pepperdine University. Mr. Baggett is the founder and President of the International School of Forensic Document Mr. Bart teaches classes and manages the current curriculum for The International School of Forensic Document Examination.

This school has a two-year curriculum which has taught, mentored, and certified many working forensic document examiners in countries including Canada, USA, Turkey, India, & Australia. He still mentors and peer reviews other working forensic document examiners cases. In the last 15 years, Bart's books, courses, and DVDs have been published worldwide in China, India, Australia, England, and the United States.

Bart Baggett's extensive library contains a variety of literature regarding forensic handwriting analysis, questioned documents, psychology, and behavioral profiling.

The equipment in Mr. Baggett's document examination lab includes; a Macintosh Powerbook, a Macintosh Intel IMac, a Xerox Documate 3120 scanner, a Nikon D50 Digital Camera with AFS Nikor Lens (DX WWM ED a spherical Infinity -.28m/0.92.) One Amscope three lens mono microscope (40x to 400x), an Illuminated Stereo Microscope ST Series (20x- 40x lens), a protractor, metric measuring devices, USB; light table, transparencies, and numerous magnifying devices including a zPix 26x-130x Zoom Digital Microscope and traditional magnifying glasses.

**2004-2011 Mr. Baggett has taught the following classes to enrolled students at
The International School of Forensic Document Examination:**

Preliminary Examinations and Document Preparation
Forensic Laboratory and Special Instruments for Examination
Handwriting Analysis vs. Document Examination in the US Legal System
Marketing Basics for Document Examiners
Alteration of Documents
Individual Characteristics in Handwriting
Factors That Effect Handwriting
Letter Forms in Handwriting
Websites Fundamentals for Working Document Examiners
Exhibits and Demonstrative Evidence
Print script, Numbers, and Alphabets
Business Plans and Career Objectives for Document Examiners
Anonymous Writing
Forensic Ink Analysis and Destructive Laboratory Tests
The Art of the Deposition and Court Testimony
Mock Trials
Bi-monthly student questions and case studies
And many more...

Bart Baggett's Education and Training in Handwriting & Document Examination:

A two-year in-person apprenticeship with Dr. Ray Walker, a leading authority in the field of handwriting analysis and document examination. Walker authored "The Questioned Document Examiner and the Justice System" book.

A two-year in-person apprenticeship with Phyllis Mattingly, Malibu, California. Phyllis was one of Southern California and Colorado's highest profile document examiners. She was a member of NADE (National Association of Document Examiners) and had over 1000 cases throughout her 30-year career.

Proficiency Testing

2012 Collaborative Testing Services, Inc.

Lectures, Conferences, and Classes

2019 International Association of Document Examiners, Inc.
Montego Bay, Jamaica
September 12-15, 2019

2018 Presenter at The Beijing Handwriting Analysis Summit
Beijing, China
October 27-28, 2018
Presenter at Wroclaw Symposium of Questioned Document Examination
Wroclaw, Poland
June 6-8, 2018

- 2015** American College of Forensic Examiners Institute
ACFEI Education Credit: Handwriting Examiners as Jury and Trial Consultants
February 10, 2015
- 2004** School of Forensic Document Examination's Annual Conference,
Attended classes taught by Reed Hayes, Katherine Koppehaver, Bill
Koppehaver.
Dallas, Texas
- 2004** School of Forensic Document Examination's Teleclass Curriculum
Examination of Anonymous Writing by Reed Hayes
Document Examination Terminology by Don Lehew
Notary Public by Don Lehew
Advanced Forgery Identification by Don Lehew
- 2005** School of Forensic Document Examination's Annual Conference,
Attended the following lectures, in addition to general sessions:
Tremors and Line Quality taught by Reed Hayes
Demonstrative Evidence taught by Katherine Koppehaver, Bill Koppehaver.
Photography through microscopes by David Babb
Paper and Watermarks by John McGuire
Basics of Forensic Photography by Charles Baggett
Dallas, Texas
- 2005** School of Forensic Document Examination's Teleclass Curriculum
Natural Variation taught by Reed Hayes
The Discrimination of Handwriting by Don Lehew
Procedures for Examining Signatures by Don Lehew
Courtroom Procedures and Roles by Don Lehew
- 2006** School of Forensic Document Examination's Annual Conference
Attended the following lectures, in addition to general sessions:
Deposition and Cross Examinations by Dr. Richard Frazier
Medical Problems Affecting Handwriting by Dr. Richard Frazier
Legal Issues for Document Examiners by Dr. Richard Frazier
Deposition and Cross Examinations Dr. Richard Frazier
Health Factors Affecting Handwriting by Dr. Joe Alexander,
Prescription Forgery and Medical Crimes by Diane King
Dallas, Texas
- 2008** School of Forensic Document Examination's Live Teleclasses
Attended a variety of classes taught by Robert Baier.
- 2009** School of Forensic Document Examination's Live Teleclasses
Attended a variety of classes taught by Robert Baier.
- 2009** Attended ACFEI (American College of Forensic Examiners Institute) Annual
Conference **Las Vegas, Nevada**
- 2015** Took course from ACFEI (American College of Forensic Examiners Institute)
training Handwriting Examiners as Jury and Trial Consultants. Passed.

2016 Received the certificate of “Diplomat” status from Robert L. O’Block of the American College of Forensic Examiners Institute.

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