

# **CURTIS BAGGETT**

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Curtis Baggett is a document examiner and expert witness. He is also a skilled authority in handwriting identification and completed over 3,500 cases. Mr. Baggett has examined documents and/or testified in court cases as a handwriting expert in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., the Bahamas, Brazil, Canada, Chile, England, Ireland, Mexico, Pakistan, Puerto Rico, Thailand and New Zealand, Korea, China, Australia and Denmark.

He is a consultant as a forensic document examiner for the number one television show, "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation", and has appeared as a handwriting expert on WOLF-BLITZER-CNN; CHARLES GIBSON-ABC, INSIDE EDITION, CBS, CNBC, FOX, JUDGE ALEX, TEXAS JUSTICE and GOOD MORNING TEXAS. Mr. Baggett is the co-author of "The Handwriting Certification Home Study Course" and has been a guest on various other television and radio programs discussing handwriting and forensic document examination.

Mr. Baggett once held the position as Dean of the School of Forensic Document Examination at Handwriting University. In addition to lecturing and teaching document examination, Mr. Baggett has analyzed handwriting for over 30 years. He has been qualified as an expert witness in Justice of the Peace, Municipal, District, State, U.S. District, and Federal Bankruptcy Courts.

His education and training in document examination and psychology include: U.S. Army, Military Police Officer's School; B.A. and M.Ed., McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana; and post-graduate studies at the University of Houston, Houston, Texas.

Curt Baggett's library is extensive and includes literature on questioned document examination, forensic handwriting analysis, behavior profiling, and statement analysis.

Laboratory equipment used for examination consists of a Stereo Star Zoom American Optical 7x - 30x twin microscope; Micronta illuminated 30x microscope; stereo microscope S/ST series; universal DigiScoping adapter; numerous magnifying devices; protractor and metric measuring devices; Pentax ME camera; Pentax macro 1.4, 50mm flat copy lens; overhead projector; light table, and transparencies.

### **Curt Baggett's Education and Training in Handwriting and Document Examination Include:**

An in-person, two-year apprenticeship with Dr. Ray Walker as a handwriting expert and questioned document examiner. Dr. Walker's qualifications have been affirmed in the Court of Appeals, Fifth District of Texas at Dallas, and had historical rulings in his favor. A leading authority in the field of handwriting analysis and document examination, Dr. Walker is the author of The Questioned Document Examiner and the Justice System.



Mr. Baggett is certified by the American Bureau of Document Examiners. He also has a certificate of completion from the American Institute of Applied Science.

**Lectures, Conferences, and Classes Attended:**

2004 School of Forensic Document Examination's Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas  
Attended classes taught by Reed Hayes, QDE, Katherine Koppenhaver, QDE, Bill Koppenhaver, QDE

2004 School of Forensic Document Examination's Teleclass Curriculum  
Examination of Anonymous Writing by Reed Hayes, QDE  
Document Examination Terminology by Don Lehew, QDE  
Notary Public by Don Lehew, QDE  
Advanced Forgery Identification by Don Lehew, QDE  
Instructor

2005 School of Forensic Document Examination's Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas  
Attended the following lectures, in addition to general sessions:  
Tremors and line Quality taught by Reed Hayes, QDE  
Demonstrative Evidence taught by Katherine Koppenhaver, QDE, Bill Koppenhaver, QDE  
Photography through microscopes by David Babb, QDE  
Paper and Watermarks by John McGuire, QDE  
Lecturer

2005 School of Forensic Document Examination's Teleclasses  
Natural Variation taught by Reed Hayes, QDE  
The Discrimination of Handwriting by Don Lehew, QDE  
Procedures for Examining Signatures by Don Lehew, QDE  
Courtroom Procedures and Roles by Don Lehew, QDE  
Instructor

2006 School of Forensic Document Examination's Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas  
Attended the following lectures, in addition to general sessions:  
Deposition and Cross Examinations by Dr. Richard Frazier, QDE  
Medical Problems Affecting handwriting by Dr. Richard Frazier, QDE  
Legal Issues for Document Examiners by Dr. Richard Frazier, QDE  
Deposition and Cross Examinations by Dr. Richard Frazier, QDE  
Health Factors Affecting Handwriting by Dr. Joe Alexander, QDE  
Prescription Forgery and Medical Crimes by Diane King  
Lecturer

2007 Handwriting University Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas  
Trainer and Instructor



2007 School of Forensic Document Examination's Teleclasses  
Instructor - Handwriting Basics and Exemplars  
Instructor - Multiple Classes on Case Studies and Examinations

2008 Handwriting University Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada  
Trainer and Instructor

2009 School of Forensic Document Examination's Live Teleclasses  
Attended a variety of classes taught by Robert Baier, QDE, Police Instructor

2009 Handwriting University Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada  
Critical Incident Stress: Statement Analysis and Interview v. Interrogation by Faith Wood  
Forensic Document Examination Application by Robert Baier, QDE, Police Instructor  
Trainer and Instructor for Introduction to Forensic Document Examination

2010 Handwriting University Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada  
Advanced Statement Analysis by Faith Wood  
Identity Theft and Prevention by Robert Baier, QDE, Police Instructor  
Trainer and Instructor for Introduction to Forensic Document Examination

2010 Instructor, Clear Lake High School  
Introduction to Forensic Document Examination

### **Current Memberships**

American College of Forensic Examiners International  
Forensic Expert Witness Association  
National Questioned Document Association  
World Federation of Handwriting Experts  
Military Order of World Wars  
Texas Police Association  
Sheriff's Association of Texas  
Center of Forensic Profiling  
IMS Expert Services

### **Published Articles and Books**

Handwriting Certification Course  
Ethics for Experts  
How to Help Attorneys With Your Case  
How to Spot a Forgery