

SPECIAL REPORT: Forensic Document Examination



Hi, my name is Bart Baggett, President of The International School of Forensic Document Examination. Thanks for downloading this special report about how you can make \$1,000 a day, or more, as a Certified Document Examiner.

If you're reading this special report, you have an interest in changing careers and/or possibly adding to the feathers in your cap the title of "Court Qualified Document Examiner." In this special report, what I would like to answer a few key questions about the career of document examining:

- What's a document examiner?
- How much can you get paid?
- Can you really make \$1,000 a day?
- Who is going to hire you?
- Where do you get trained?
- How do you get trained?
- Is it a career for you?

Obviously, the last question, whether this is a career for you or not, you will have to answer for yourself.

I'd also like to answer a few questions about what document examining is not, because it's important to know what kind of career you're getting into. If you decide to take the certification training to become a document examiner, when you graduate, you will have a new career. You'll have a new skill, you'll have the ability to make \$100 to \$200 an hour, just for looking at samples of handwriting and making a decision. Essentially, you'll be getting paid a lot of money to give your opinion on questioned documents.

This is a very important criteria - if you don't understand what document examining is, and what it isn't, what you're going to be required to learn and some of the things you aren't required to learn. Let me first say that I can't give you everything you need to know in this simple free special report, but hopefully I'll give you some highlights so you can decide, "Hey, this is great, I'd like to learn more."

There are a lot of ways to learn more. We have teleconferences where you can meet and talk to professors, we have lots of articles on the website about document examining, we of course have lots of articles about cases and document examining. You might have seen me on CNN or Court Television, discussing handwriting cases and famous cases like the Jon Benet Ramsey murder. I was on TV when OJ Simpson was being tried for the murder of his ex-wife and they were looking handwriting samples and suicide notes. I've been on the Catherine Crier Show on the Court Television network, discussing the personality traits of convicted killers, such as Scott Peterson and David Westerfield.

Here is an important distinction - I want you to understand, a Court Qualified Document Examiner helps authenticate the authorship or integrity of a document. So when you saw me on Court Television talking about the character traits of a mass murderer, or someone that would kill his wife, that's the field of handwriting analysis. I happen to be trained in both, but the document examining field is all about forensics. It's what you see on CSI, except some of the stuff they have on CSI doesn't exist in real life - like a 10 second document examiner computer that can instantly tell you who wrote the note. That is still done by humans! Lucky for us, because that's why the attorneys pay the big money. They have someone like you come to court and testify that someone forged or altered the document. Based on the opinion you gave, the attorney can win or lose the case.

If you decide to enroll in our certification program, you'll work from home, you'll listen to teleconferences, and you'll even get to attend our conference once a year. One of the people whom you'll get to know very well is Curt Baggett. He is the co-founder of Handwriting University, and he is arguably the #1 document examiner in the United States, based strictly on case-load. He has sometimes 30 different cases a month that he is requested to render an opinion on, and in many cases go to court and fight very, very upset attorneys, convincing them that his opinion could win the case for one side or the other.

What does he get paid for this? Well, he gets paid the same as every one of our graduates - and that's because we price them all the same. Now, naturally, when you graduate, you could raise or lower your prices, because you will then be working for yourself. Curt charges \$1,000 a day for court, and he charges \$500 for a written opinion. Sometimes it takes 30 minutes to render an opinion, sometimes it takes him hours - but the fact is, as a court-qualified document examiner, what is required of you is to take a handwriting sample of a known or an unknown entity, and decide who wrote the note. In some cases, you'll never find out who wrote it, but you'll know for a fact who didn't write it - and that opinion is worth a lot of money.

Let's run through some of these questions:

What is a document examiner? A document examiner is a person who renders an opinion on the authorship or integrity of a document. Document examining usually involves some sort of handwriting or script as far as the authorship. However, document examining does NOT include psychological profiling or graphology. As much as we respect that science, it is a totally different field, and it is not to be discussed and/or taught in the field of document examination training. They are two different fields - we encourage you to study both, but they are different.

Who can become a document examiner? Anybody. The truth is, document examiners are trained through apprenticeship training programs. It's helpful if you have a college degree, it's helpful if you have a resume, it's helpful if you were trained with the FBI, and if you're a sheriff. But none of it is necessary.

Many of the associations for document examining do require an undergraduate degree. You don't have to become a member of these trade association to work in the industry or testify in

court. Handwriting University does not require that you have an undergraduate degree to join our program, and you can graduate without an undergraduate degree.

The fact is, you're a document examiner, if a judge says you are, based on your experience. So, once we get you trained, once we get you certified, you'll actually work ten cases, so you'll have the experience to have a judge court-qualify you.

What's the next step? The next step is easy. If you'd like to talk to one of our professors, if you'd like to take a tour of the website, if you'd like to learn more about our two-year program in forensic document examination and find out if, indeed, it is for you, you should talk to one of our staff members. There is obviously a place on this form with a phone number and an email. If you're lucky, you can get one of our live teleconferences coming up in the next few weeks, where you can actually meet some of the professors by phone, and then you can ask all the questions you want.

Most of the questions we get revolve around three things: how much time does it take? When I graduate can I make some money? And finally, can I afford it? Let me briefly answer those three questions right now.

One: How Much Time will It Take?

It takes approximately 18 months and two years, it takes a few hours a week of study time. You'll have homework and you'll have online tests. Most students tell us it's between three and five hours of work - some take longer, some take less.

Two: Can I Make Money?

When you graduate, can you make a living? Of course you can. Most document examiners make \$100 to \$200 an hour. We help you. Part of our apprenticeship program is helping you be employed by HIS as a subcontractor, so you actually begin to get cases while you're still in school.

As you know, Handwriting University has one of the top networks of handwriting related websites in the world, ranked by Google and the other search engines. Therefore, we can feed our students traffic, leads and thus, business.

Now, can you replace a \$70,000 a year job? I don't know because everyone is different. Most of our students don't start out the first year making \$70,000, because like any business, you have to build a career, you have to build a reputation. You will make money your first year if you follow the business marketing plan. Most students make money during their apprenticeship - during school. One student, David Babb, he already had a successful handwriting related website, he actually started getting cases the first month in school. Now, obviously he wasn't trained enough to take them, so he used the apprenticeship program and allowed our professors to supervise his cases. David is an example of someone who began to make money immediately, while he was still in school.

So, you don't have to wait two years to start earning back your tuition, and you can start making money as soon as you start, using our apprenticeship program.

Number three: Can you afford it? Like any good training program or any good university, our training program is priced at comparable market value. Many people choose the financial aid options, which means they use one of our recommended banks, they get financial aid, they finance the program over four to five to six years, and you can get your monthly payments under \$200 a month.

If you'd like to pay for it up front, for those of you who want to refinance a house or have money in the bank, you can just pay the flat fee of \$7,200, which pays for the 'Certification Level' and includes everything including your textbooks. So, you can afford it, and we have ways that you can finance it or get financial aid if you can't afford to write out a check to get started.

By the way, I have a four-year degree from Pepperdine University and, quite frankly, it's nice on a resume, but I don't think it made me much money over my lifetime. I think what we've got is a really, really great value, for a trade school that gives you a very specific skill that you can't find anywhere else in the world.

And that's the last thing I want to point out - there is no school you can go to, other than this one, where you can get training as a forensic document examiner. Now, you ask, "How did people get trained before this school?" They were in the FBI, they were in the CIA, or they apprenticed with somebody for years, working under somebody's wing. Almost like they did in the 1800's, when someone was a blacksmith or a typesetter or a chimney sweep - you worked with somebody and you learned the business. So, we actually have the first and only school in the world that trains civilians, non-government employees, the science of document examining.

It's a great program, we limit our class to 20 people per year, and it starts in the fall. That means, you'd better get your application in soon, because we do fill up quickly and we would like you to have the opportunity to enroll, get the financial aid and become a court-qualified document examiner.

So, the next step is to listen to our online lectures, seminars, or download an application and get started today. Or, you can just pick up the phone and call us right now. 1-877-297-4846

www.forensicdocexamschool.com/docexam/overview.html

Thanks in Advance,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bart Baggett". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single blue line.

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