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I am, Nanette M. Barto, a Certified Questioned Document Examiner that is qualified as an expert in the court of law. Beginning my career in 2007, I have examined over 909 document examination cases involving over 2000 questioned documents which required testimony in more than 60 cases. I trained with the International School of Forensic Document Examination and have apprenticed under a leading court-qualified Forensic Document Expert.

# **Forensic Examination Provided For:**

Disputed documents or signatures including, but not limited to: wills, checks, contracts, deeds, account ledgers, medical records, and autograph authentication. Investigation and analysis including: questioned signatures, suspect documents, forgeries, identity theft, anonymous letters, alterations, obliterations, erasures, typewritten documents such as anonymous emails, blogs, texts, social media or printed memoranda, altered medical records, graffiti, handwritten numbers, profile authorship, and computerized or handwritten documents.

### **Education:**

- American River College: Associate in Arts Psychology, Graduation Date May 2012
- American River College: Associate in Arts Legal Assisting, Graduation Date May 2011
- International School of Forensic Document Examination: Forensic Document Examination, Graduation Date July 2009
- Chamberlain Real Estate Licensing Course 2005

## Specific Areas of Training:

Handwriting Identification and Discrimination, Signature Comparison, Techniques for Distinguishing Forged Signatures, Disguised Handwriting, Altered Numbers, Anonymous Writing, Typewritten Communications, Author Profiling, Laboratory Procedures, Forensic Microscopy and Forensic Photography, Identifying Printing Methods, Papers and Watermarks, Factors that Affect Writing, Demonstrative Evidence Training, Demonstrative Evidence in the High-Tech World, Forgery Detection Techniques, Detection of Forged Checks, Document Image Enhancement, Graphic Basis for Handwriting Comparison, Ethics in Business and the Legal System, Mock Courtroom Trails

 2-year on-the-job apprenticeship with Bart Baggett, a court qualified document examiner and the president of the International School of Forensic Document Examination, July 2007

– July 2009.

# **Apprenticeship Included:**

Gathering documents, setting up case files, scanning and photographing documents, assisting with on-site examinations, interacting as client liaison with attorneys and clients, accounting and billing, peer reviews, preparing court exhibits, directed and witnessed client hand written exemplars. I re-examined 60 cases consisting of 657 documents that were examined and compared during this time period.

Furthermore, I began taking active individual cases that were mentored and/or peer reviewed by a current document examiner within the school. During this timeframe as an apprentice, I completed approximately 100 cases in my own name under peer review aside from the 60 cases in education.

### **Competency Testing:**

- Collaborative Testing Services, Inc. 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
- International Association of Document Examiners 2019, 2021, 2022

### **Certification Testing:**

Certified with International Association of Document Examiners - 2021

#### **Continuing Education:**

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- SAFE Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners: 2016 SAFE Annual Conference July 29<sup>th</sup>,
   2016:
  - Larry Miller OSAC Human Factors Committee and Photography for FDEs
  - Doug Carner The Expert Witness- Ethics, Preparation, and Challenges
  - John C. Edwards, Esq. Managing High Conflict Personalities
  - Dave Zweig Examination of Ink and Photocopies using the microscope
  - Joe Barabe Application of Microscopes for FDEs
  - Ann Mahony Electronic Signatures The future is upon us
- SAFE- Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners: 2016 SAFE Annual Conference August 26, 2016:
  - Thomas Spahn Privilege and Confidentiality
  - Josh King Ways to become Comfortable with On-line feedback.
  - Carole Chawski Application of Science to Forensic Document Examination
  - Jim Sevel- Computer Forensics Applied to Document Examiners
  - Erik Laykin e-discovery
  - Dr. Tahnee Dewhurst Expert vs. Lay Opinion
- SAFE Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners: 2017 SAFE Annual Conference August 4, 2017:
  - Anne Smith Innovative, Easy Software and Time-Saving Techniques for Forensic Document Examinations
  - Sharon Nakich Forensic Science Standards and OSAC A Recent History
  - George Reis Image Authentication of Digital Photographs and Scanned Images
  - Mike Wakshull Examination of Electronic Documents for Document Examiners
  - Dr. Carolyne Bird The Modular Forensic Handwriting Method
- SAFE \_ Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners: 2017 SAFE Annual Conference August 25, 2017.
  - Amy Oppenheimer, JD Effects of Courtroom Bias
  - Andrew Kaplan, JD Techniques to help your attorney prepare the expert for testimony to establish credibility
  - Doug Carner Solving the Emelia Earhart Mystery
  - Scott Greene ESI and its application to forensic experts
  - Shelia Lowe Why Do We Need Our Own Standards

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- SAFE \_ Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners: 2018 SAFE Annual Conference October 19, 2018.
  - ➤ Jim Bradford and Doug Cobb The Hidden Secrets Within Paper The paper converting process and what identifying process markings (forensic clues) that happen during that process.
  - Kristin Baldwin Social Media for Expert Witnesses
  - ➤ Sean Poinst, Esq. and Harold Justman, Esq. How to Keep Your Expert In and Their Expert Out.
- International Association of Document Examiners (IADE): 2019 Forensic Conference Jamaica September 12, 2019:
  - Robert Farr Points of Truth
  - Brigadier General Becky Halstead Steadfast Leadership
  - Patricia Siegel The Psychological Influence on Handwriting
  - Bob Baier Close a Case a learning Experience
  - ➤ Katherine Koppenhaver Handling Questions in Cross Examination when challenged for not belonging to specific organizations
  - Kathy Carlson Poster Session hands on examinations
- IADE: 2019 Forensic Conference Jamaica September, 13, 2019:
  - ➤ Warren Williams Experts and Oversight Bodies Nexus
  - David Witzke A Digital Overlook at Questioned Documents
  - Sharon Hampton Defining and Finding False Knowns within a Document Examination
  - Beth Chrisman Cognitive Bias and Document Examiners
  - Panel Discussion Beth, Cathy and Kathie
- IADE: 2019 Forensic Conference Jamaica September 14, 2019:
  - Diana Mears Simplified and Complex Signatures
  - ➤ Justice David Batts The Forensic Scientific and Judicial Expectation
  - Caroline P. Hay QC Attorney at Law The Handwriting Expert the Prosecutor's Perspective
  - Neco Pagon and Kalisia Miller Moot Court
- American Society of Industrial Security International: Sacramento, CA Chapter
  - Dr. Hickey- Psycho-Behavioral Analysis of Mentally ill and Mentally Disordered Offenders in Cases of Workplace Mass Violence. January 2017
  - > FBI Financial Fraud and Organized Crime. June 2018
  - Sacramento Sheriff's Department Identity Theft. November 2018

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- Better Business Bureau: Sacramento, CA
  - R. Scott Alvord, MBA-MCA, BSCS Locking the Cookie Jar, Data Breach and Identity Protection. December 2018
  - Katherine Koppenhaver Online weekly classes in basic forensic document examination techniques and training – 2019 to present
  - IADE: Online quarterly classes, online monthly classes 2019 to present
  - U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Virtual Corporate Security Engagement Series August 31, 2020
  - IADE: Online International Conference September 21, 22, and 23, 2020:
    - > Beverly East, MGA, CDE, CAM, DPGA, Rebuttal to Rhetoric
    - ➤ Janae Long Federal Rules of Civil Procedure-Rule 26: How it Affects Our Reports
    - Roxanne Brand Disguised Writing A Case Study
    - ➤ Heidi Harralson Elderly Handwriting & Motor Disorders
    - Spiwe L. Jefferson, Esq. 5 Things Experts Should Know
    - Sharon Rose Hampton, CQDE Looking Past the Obvious A Case Study
    - Bryan Sydnor InfraRed & Ultraviolet Lighting & Mi-Scope
    - Doug Kiesewetter A Successful Organization and Business
  - Penn Law Criminal Justice Reform and Forensics: The Importance of Evidence October 1,
     2020: Virtual Event
  - Juan Rodriguez and C.K. Hull & Associates Basic Forensic Photography Course May 21, 2021
  - IADE: Online International Conference September 13, 14, and 15, 2021:
    - Kathie Koppenhaver Principles of Handwriting Identification
    - ➤ Beverly East MGA, CAM, CFDE Illegible Signatures and the Relevance of Movement
    - ➤ Darrin Hayes, PhD A Guide to Authenticating Digital Documents
    - Sharon R. Hampton Identifying False Knowns Hidden in Plain Sight
    - Doug Carner Authenticating Signatures in PDF Documents
    - Dr. Max M. Houck Forensic Mindset
    - ➤ Erich Speckin Beyond Handwriting: What Can We Agree Upon, Electrostatic Detection Apparatus and Ink Testing
    - Beth Chrisman, CQDE: Report Writing
    - ➤ Brenda Anderson: Instructional Graphics for Document Examiners
    - Brett Goldstein: Ink Testing with Infrared and Flourescent Photography
    - Bruce D. Burk: How to Qualify an Expert Witness

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- Ron Smith's and Associates, Inc.: Essential Ridgeology Concepts Friction Ridge Identification of Latent Fingerprints October 18-22, 2021
- IADE: Online International Conference October 10, 11, and 12, 2022:
  - Sharon R. Hampton: Opinions about Document Examiner Sealed
  - Eileen Page: Case Study
  - Tomlinson Rauscher: Digital Signatures
  - Teresa Brooks: Demonstrative Evidence using Word Doc
  - Kathie Koppenhaver: How Many Exemplars Are Enough
  - > Jonathan W. Hak, Q.C.: Expert Witness Do's and Don't
  - Brianne Breedlove Fingerprint Specialist: ASB and OSAC Guidelines; Fingerprint Lifts from Documents
  - Nanette M. Barto, CQDE: Ridgeology Fundamentals and Case Study

## **Published Works:**

- Longitudinal Research Study Kim Galey Hosley 24 years of an individual's handwriting and the changes that occur through maturity.
- Longitudinal Research Study Patricia Prewitt Moore 27 years of an individual's handwriting and the changes that occur through maturity.
- Authentication Examination and Identification of a letter written by William R. Davie from 1787. Discusses the case that sets the Judicial Review Precedence.
- Fraud & Forgery Presentation given 5-1-19 to BBB accredited members.
- Alzheimer's a.k.a. Dementia & Handwriting Presentation given 5-16-19 to IADE society for forensic document examiners.
- Ridgeology Fundamental of Fingerprint Identification and Individuality Presentation given to IADE society for forensic professionals annual conference 10-12-2022.

# **Further Qualifications:**

I am currently a Notary Public that closed home loans from 2004-2007 and have been witnessing signatures since 2004. This has provided me with a reference base for how a person signs in all conditions including but not limited to: Illness and Disease; Blindness; Signature by Mark; hospital room signings of Wills, Testaments, Advanced Healthcare Directives, and Power of Attorney documents; and, Death Bed signatures. I was licensed from 2005 – 2009 in Real Estate procuring mortgages giving me firsthand knowledge of deeds, contracts, and loan documents as well as fingerprinting and fingerprint identification of notary journal entries.

# **Laboratory Equipment:**

Ms. Barto's laboratory is equipped to handle forensic handwriting analysis. Her laboratory consists of equipment used for examination, such as: Handheld digital microscopes with ranges of 4X – 10X, 3.7X – 54X, 60X – 250X, Miscope Megapixel 2/5X – 124X with extended view and colored light filter wheel; HP x576dw high resolution flatbed scanner/copier/fax; light table; numerous magnifying apparatuses; Nikon COOLPIX 35mm digital camera; protractor and metric measuring devices; uv, black, and infrared lights; and supporting computer programs; and, Electrostatic Detection Apparatus for indentions in paper from handwriting.

# <u>Library:</u>

Library consists of numerous forensic document examination titles, other handwriting reference materials, legal assisting publications, psychology publications that assist in assessing neurological diseases or illnesses, and behavior profiling.

### Guest Speaker:

- 2022 IADE Ridgeology Fundamentals and Case Study Annual Forensic Conference
- 2021 C. K. Hull & Associates, LLC Northern California Forensic Study Group Forgery, Fraud and Anonymous Communications Techniques
- 2020 C. K. Hull & Associates, LLC Handwriting Identification
- 2019 Better Business Bureau (BBB) Forgery & Fraud
- 2019 International Association of Document Examiners (IADE) Alzheimer's a.k.a.
   Dementia & Handwriting
- 2018 Rotary Club of Laguna Sunrise Forgery Methods
- 2017 Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners (SAFE) Manipulated Handwriting and the Client that Doesn't Want You to Figure it Out.
- 2011 ITT Tech Criminal Justice program Forensics Class
- 2013 2014 Girls Scouts Crime Scene Investigation Badge Promoting interest in young girls in the trades of forensic sciences.
- 2011 and 2014 ASIS International Security Professionals Organization Keep professionals in the field of security and safety up-to-date on latest techniques through informative speakers in specific areas of awareness.

# **Associations:**

2021 – Co-Chair Membership Committee IADE

- 2019 to Present Member of International Association of Document Examiners (IADE)
- 2017 ASIS International American Society of Industrial Security Security and Protection
- 2016-2018 Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners SAFE
- 2014 Better Business Bureau Accredited by BBB Standards
- 2012-present The Bar Association of San Francisco, Northern California, Register of Experts and Consultants – Directory Listing

Listed as an Expert Witness for: Sacramento County – Placer County – Fresno County – Plumas County, California, Public Defenders Office. Referred by: Public Defender, David Bonilla, Franz Criego, and Trisha Pal.

## **Depositions:**

- 9-26-14 Crabtree Schmidt, Modesto, CA Re: The Estate of Lonnie Ashlock
- 9-24-15 Botz Cody Law, Santa Rosa, CA Re: The Estate of Jaqueline Pieri
- 12-16-16 Law Office of David W. Tate, Sacramento, CA Re: Jack Rissetto v. Rebekah Carlson = Estate of Horace H. Elder, Jr. and Lena A. Elder Revocable Trust
- 2-7-18 Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, San Francisco, CA Re: Amiri v. Groff
- 6-12-18 Law Office of Jon Lieberg, Temecula, CA Re: Carlson v. Utley
- 11-28-18 Office of Eye for the Obvious, Citrus Heights, CA Re: Beeler v. ATS Construction etal; Video Deposition for Kentucky Court Case Settled the following day.
- 2-7-19 Office of Dutra and Oates, Gold Rush, CA Re: Givens v. Banner Bank
- 4-4-19 Aiken and Welch Court Reporters, Oakland, CA Emmerson v. Zion
- 10-16-19 Belden Blaine Raytis, LLP, Bakersfield, CA Powell v. Sturgeon
- 1-17-20 Carol Nygard & Associates, Inc., Sacramento, CA Bhatti v. Gill
- 7-2-21 Downey Brand Attorneys, LLP., Sacramento, CA Qayyum v. Arshad

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#### **Court Testimony:**

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

1221 Oak St., Dept. 24, 3rd Flr.

Oakland, CA
Judge Patrick Zika **Dismuke vs. Dismuke**Dkt# RG05228940
February 10, 2009

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

100 Bicentennial Drive Sacramento, Ca. 95826 Judge Delbert W. Oros

**Sone vs. Fisher** Dkt# 09SC00967 March 26, 2009

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

100 Bicentennial Drive Sacramento, Ca. 95826 Judge John M. O'Donnell

Youa vs. Youa/Xiong/Child Action

Dkt#09SC05006 December 18, 2009

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

24405 Amador St Dept 507, Flr. 2

Hayward, Ca. 94544

Judge Elizabeth Hendrickson

Hong vs. Wang Dkt# FF07342127 September 24, 2010

Superior Court of California, County of San

Mateo

400 County Center, Dept. 28 Redwood City, Ca. 94063 Judge George A. Miram *Dickson vs. Scagliola* Dkt#PRO120063 October 26, 2010 Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

3341 Power Inn Road Sacramento, Ca. 95826 Judge Gerrit W. Wood *Wenzell v. Wenzell* Dkt#34-2009-00057473 January 13, 2011

Superior Court of California, County of San

Mateo

400 County Center, Dept. Redwood City, Ca. 94063 Judge Stephanie Garratt

Leigh v. Lampert TRO Hearing March 30, 2011

Superior Court of California, County of San

Joaquin

222 East Weber Street Stockton, California 92114 Judge Carter P. Holly *Bafaiz v. Morrison* Contract Case July 22, 2011

Superior Court of California, County of Merced

2260 N Street
Merced, CA 95340
Judge Gerald W. Corman
Chaudhry v. Hossain
Dkt # FLM-47893

Family Law - February 8, 2012

Superior Court of California, County of San

Joaquin

222 East Weber Street Stockton, California 92114 **People v. Serratos III** 

Criminal Case February 13, 2012

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Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma

3055 Cleveland Ave

Santa Rosa, CA 95401 Dept #19

Judge Arthur Wick **Niffenegger v. Long** Dkt # SCV-249528 Criminal Case

February 27, 2012

Superior Court of California, County of Santa

Clara

191 N. First Street San Jose, CA 95113 Judge William J. Monohan *Reynolds v. Lydecker* 

Dkt # 1-10-CV-171079

Civil Law June 26, 2012

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento 720 9<sup>th</sup> Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

Albaz v. Saleh Unlawful Detainer November 29, 2012

Superior Court of California, County of Contra

Costa

725 Court Street Martinez, CA 94553 Judge David B. Flinn *Scarano v. Bellmore* 

No. P12-00905 Probate Law

February 27 & 28, 2013

Superior Court of California, County of Plumas

520 Main Street Quincy, CA 95971

**Arbitrator Christopher Burdick** 

County of Plumas, Employer, v. Ted Sieck,

**Employee** 

C.S.M.C.S. Case #ARB-12-0173

May 15, 2013

Superior Court of California, County of Nevada

220 Church Street Nevada City, CA 95959

Commissioner

Hassan v. Hassan

Family Law July 9, 2013

Superior Court of California, County of Solano

600 Union Avenue Fairfield, CA 94533 Judge Harry S. Kinnicutt

Centro Property Owner II, LLC v. Chang

Civil Law

February 19, 2014

Superior Court of California, County of San

Francisco

400 MacAllister Street Dept. 201

San Francisco, CA 94102

Judge McBride

Murray Jr. v. Anoushiravan Massoumi

Civil Law

September 29, 2014

Superior Court of California, County of San

Bernadino

247 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Dept S48P San Bernadino, CA 92415

Judge Tara Reilly

The Southorn 1995 Revocable Trust

Probate Law October 15, 2014

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

3341 Power Inn Road Sacramento, Ca. 95826 Judge Steven M. Gerverfer *Sylvia E. Newberry Estate* 

Probate Law

December 5, 2014 rebuttal December 12, 2014

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Superior Court of California, County of

Stanislaus 1300 K Street Modesto, CA 95354 Judge Timothy W. Salter *The Lonni Ashlock Estate* 

Probate Law February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

24405 Amador Street Dept. 507

Hayward, CA 94544 Judge Alison Tucher *Tim Huang vs. Sheng Shu* 

Civil Law

May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Superior Court of California, County of Santa

Clara

301 Diana Avenue, Dept. 108 Morgan Hill, CA 95037 Judge Phillip H. Pennymaker

Tom Pham vs. Cynthia D. Trinh

Family Law October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Superior Court of California, County of Santa

Clara

605 W. El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94086 Judge James Towery

Darlene Michaud vs. Bruce Michaud

Family Law

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda 2120 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Dept. 201

Berkley, CA 94704 Judge Sandra K. Bean

Estate of Hazel Ashley

**Probate Law** 

November 19th, 2015

Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma

3055 Cleveland Ave., Dept. 22, 2<sup>nd</sup> Flr

Santa Rosa, CA 95403 Judge James G Bertoli

Rose Ann L. Nolasco vs. Brian Veluz-

**Nepomuceno** Family Law

January 8th, 2016

Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma

3055 Cleveland Ave., Dept. 18, 1st Flr

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Judge Rene Auguste Chouteau Estate of Jacqueline L. Pieri

**Probate Law** 

February 17, 2016

Superior Court of California, County of Sutter

1175 Civic Center Blvd Yuba City, CA 95993

Judge Christopher R. Chandler

Zenda vs. Shoker

Civil Law May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Superior Court of California, County of Santa

Clara

161 North First St.
San Jose, CA 95113
Judge Patricia M. Lucas
Estate of Richmond Vu

Probate Law

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

Superior Court of California, County of Sutter

1175 Civic Center Blvd Yuba City, CA 95993 Judge Perry Parker **Estate of John Arostegui** 

Probate Law June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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United States Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review Immigration

Court

100 Montgomery St, Suite 800 #17

San Francisco, CA 94104 Judge Dalin R. Holyoak *People vs. Yvette Valdez* 

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – Evidence Stipulated to by Government Testimony not required

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

2120 Martin Luther King Jr Way

Berkley, CA 94704

Judge Thomas M. Reardon *Estate of Benny Jones, Jr.* 

Probate Law August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Superior Court of California, County of Marin

3501 Civic Center Dr. San Rafael, CA 94903 Judge Verna A. Adams **Melkonian V. Franecke** 

Family Law

October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Superior Court of California, County of Yuba

215 5th St.

Marysville, California 95901

Judge Wirtochafter

Estate of Angela Rose Rissetto

Probate Law January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

3341 Power Inn Road Sacramento, Ca. 95826 Judge John P. Winn **Alshouli vs. Salameh** 

Family Law

February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

24405 Amador Street Hayward, CA 94544 Judge Alice Vilardi *Hasolkar v. Pandit* 

Family Law May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Superior Court of California, County of San

Mateo

400 County Center Redwood City, CA 94063 Judge V. Raymond Swope *Goldstein v. Macalik* 

Civil Law

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

3341 Power Inn Road Sacramento, CA 95826 Judge Thomas E. Warriner *Tidwell v. Washington* 

Family Law August 31, 2017

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

3341 Power Inn Road Sacramento, CA 95826

Commissioner Peter J. McBrien

Nevai v. Klemunes

Family Law

September 6, 2017

Superior Court of California, County of Los

**Angeles** 

111 N. Hill Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 Judge Clifford Klein

**Estate of Pauline Robinson-Penn** 

Probate Law May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Monday, May 22, 2023

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

24405 Amador Street Hayward, CA 94544

Commissioner Boydine Hall

Crockett v. Crockett

Family Law July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Superior Court of California, County of Riverside

30755-G Auld Road Murrieta, CA 92563 Judge Angel Bermudez *Carlson v. Utley* 

Civil Law July 17, 2018

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

301 Bicentennial Circle Sacramento, CA 95827 Judge R. Steven Lapham

Elisco v. Shaver

Small Claims Court – Injunction and Eviction

July 31, 2018

Superior Court of California, County of Solano

600 Union Avenue Fairfield, CA 94533 Judge H. Ronald *Williams v. Dudley* 

Family Law August 20, 2018

Superior Court of California, County of San

Francisco

400 McAllister Street San Francisco, CA 94102 Judge Gale Dekreon **Devlin v. Eubank** 

Civil Law

November 20, 2018

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

24405 Amador Street Hayward, CA 94544

Judge Stephen M. Pulido (Jury Trial)

Emmerson v. Zion

Civil Law April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento
720 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
Judge Richard K. Sueyoshi *Anwar & Munazza v. Arsalan* 

Civil Law July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

1221 Oak St.
Oakland, CA 94612
Judge Evelio Grillo
Russo Sr. v. Russo Jr.

Civil Law

December 9, 2019

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

2120 Martin Luther King Way

Berkley, CA 94707 Judge Ruben Sundeen *Bessix Vs. Clark* Probate Law

September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento 3341 Power Inn Rd. Sacramento, CA 95826 Judge John P. Winn

Estate of Maria Teresa Martinez

Probate Law

November 21, 2019

Monday, May 22, 2023

Superior Court of California, County of Yolo

1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 Judge Samuel T. McAdam

*Iqbal v. Iqbal* Probate Law January 16, 2020

Superior Court of California, County of Solano

600 Union Street Fairfield, CA 94533 Judge Shauna L. Chastain **Dudley Williams v. Williams** 

Family Law

November 5, 2020

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

3341 Power Inn Rd. Sacramento, CA 95826 Judge Jill H. Talley *Phelan v. Rhorer* 

Family Law May 20, 2021

Superior Court of California, County of

Sacramento

3341 Power Inn Rd. Sacramento, CA 95826

Judge Petre

Martens v. Martens

Family Law

October 15, 2021

Superior Court of Washington, County of

**Spokane** 

1116 W. Broadway Ave Spokane, WA 99260 Judge Shelley D. Szambelan

Banner Bank v. Roy and Helen Givens and the

**Community** 

Civil Law – Debt Collection November 3, 2021 Superior Court of California, Stanislaus County

807 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Dept. 22 Modesto, CA 95353 Judge Stacy P. Speiller *Estate of Elizabeth Orozco* 

Probate Law March 10, 2022

Superior Court of California, Tuolumne County

12855 Justice Center Drive

Sonora, CA 95370 Judge Laura Leslie Krieg **Estate of Rudy Vyfvinkel** 

Probate Law June 22, 2022

Superior Court of California, Sonoma County

3055 Cleveland Ave Santa Rosa, CA 95407 Judge Jennifer V. Dollard

Launay v. Salvati

Civil Law July 22, 2022

Superior Court of California, County of

Humboldt 825 Fifth Street Eureka, CA 95501 Judge Lawrence Killoran Estate of Rose Scott

**Probate Law** 

October 17, 2022 via Zoom

Superior Court of California, County of Contra

Costa

725 Court Street Martinez, CA 94553

Commissioner Gina Dashman

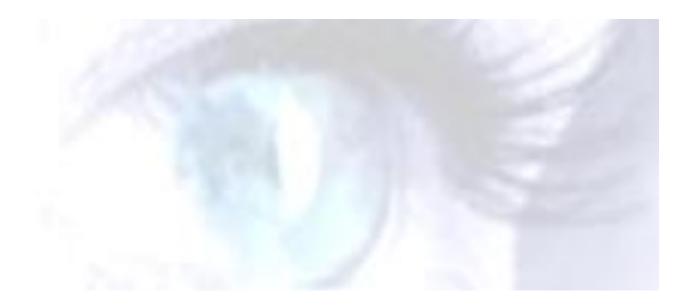
Bothwell v. Niven

Civil – Restraining Order

May 2, 2023

Monday, May 22, 2023

Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo 400 County Center Redwood City, CA 94063 Judge Leland Davis *Estate of Irma Marguerite Compton* Probate May 12, 2023



### Scientific Association for Forensic Examiners Standards as published by NiST

# **Guide for Expressing and Reporting Opinions for Handwriting Examination**

## Terminology:

**Recommended Terminology** – Document Examiners are encouraged to use the following terms when writing an opinion.

**Identification (the strongest opinion of identity)** – In this case, based on the evidence at hand, identification is made within a reasonable degree of professional certainty. Other than natural variation, which is expected, no unexplainable characteristics are observed. The known writing compares favorably to the questioned writing. The writing contains substantial similarities, no significant dissimilarities, and there are no limitations associated with quantity or quality of writing or documentation.

**Strong Probability Did Write** – There are substantial significant similarities in the range of writing and no significant dissimilarities. However, there may be limitations imposed, such as insufficient comparison characters and/or insufficient quantity of exemplars.

**Probably Did Write** – There are few significant similarities in the range of writing and no significant dissimilarities. There are limitations associated with the examination that preclude a stronger opinion. These limitations may include a lack of appropriate comparison material.

**Inconclusive** – The range of writing may contain similarities and/or dissimilarities, but they are insufficient to make a determination of authenticity. Additionally, limitations may be placed on the examination due to quality and/or quantity of comparison materials, or other constraints.

**Probably Did Not Write** – There are significant dissimilarities in the range of writing and no significant similarities. However, there may be limitations imposed, such as insufficient comparison characters and/or insufficient quantity of writing exemplars.

**Strong Probability Did Not Write** – There are substantial significant dissimilarities in the range of writing and no significant similarities. However, there may be limitations imposed, such as insufficient comparison characters and/or insufficient quantity of writing exemplars.

**Eliminations (the strongest opinion of rejection)** – Based on the evidence at hand, the examiner is absolutely certain that the writer of the known writing is not the writer of the questioned writing. The writing contains substantial dissimilarities, no significant similarities, and there are no limitations associated with quantity or quality of writing.

In Daubert, the U.S. Supreme Court made it clear that, "it would be unreasonable to conclude that the subject of scientific testimony must be known to a certainty; arguably there are no certainties in science. Science represents a process for proposing and refining theoretical explanations about the world that are subject to further testing and refinement. It is sufficient if the testimony can be supported by appropriate validation, I. EE., Good grounds based on what is known."