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President of Strokes & Slants

1989 to Present

Identify forged documents, checks, wills, anonymous letters, contracts, and medical reports for private investigators, individuals, and attorneys. Court qualified providing expert testimony in several will contest cases in the Supreme Court Jamaica since 2006 – including landmark cases such as ‘Sir Coxsonne Dodd ‘Studio One’ and the “Stone Crusher Gang” case. Numerous cases throughout the Caribbean region, and in the Washington D.C., Virginia, Somerset County and PG County courts.

Authenticated handwriting samples of Explorer Alfred Wallace which resulted in a \$4.5 million win for a Troutman & Saunders lawyer. Completed the Cardiff University Law School Bond Solon Expert Witness Certificate in Manchester England. In March-May 2020 participated in an FBI Forensic Handwriting Examiner Decision Analysis Laboratory Study. She participated in an Emmy nominated episode for the Smithsonian Channel.

QDE and staff development training and speaking engagements. An inaugural 18-month Forensic Document Examination training programme was created in 2010 for the Technical Division of the Jamaica Constabulary Force. Students graduated with pass rate in the high 80s and 90s in 2012.

Assisted numerous agencies such as The Independent Commission of Investigations (INDECOM), Major Organized Crime and Anti-Corruption Agency (MOCA), and Office of National Drug and Money Laundering Control Policy (ONDPC) in Antigua. The Commissioner of Police of St. Kitts and Nevis. Examined numerous matters in other regions within the Caribbean: Bahamas, British Virgin Islands, Turks and Caicos, Trinidad, and Tobago, St. Vincent, and the Grenadines.

Questioned Document Examination Training: Royal Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Jamaica Money Market Brokers, Jamaica National Building Society, First Global Bank, Sagicor Investment Ltd, Jamaica Institute of Financial Services, Passport and Immigration Agency and the Ministry of National Security.

Staff Development Training: National Commercial Bank, National Investment Bank of Jamaica, Red Stripe Beer, First Global Bank, Mercantile and Credit Bank, Guardian Life Insurance (Jamaica), Jamaica Institute of Financial Services.

Created and hosted Accredited Seminars for Lawyers – through the General Legal Council
“Whose Signature is it anyway?” Hosted on average three times a year, since 2013.

Media Consultant on landmark cases: Jon Benet Ramsey, DC sniper profile. My opinion used in a television documentary for National Geographics on the Anthrax letters, aired nationally and internationally September 2009. “Hunting the Anthrax Killer”.

EDUCATION/TRAINING

Court qualified since 1999 – Expert Witness training with the Bond Solon, UK in 2008
Testified before 70 judges in nine countries UK, USA, Antigua, Jamaica, St Kitts and Nevis, The Virgin Islands, St Vincent, The Bahamas, Trinidad, and the Grenadines.

Continued document examination training through the Scientific Association of Document Examiners and International Association of Document Examiners – annual conferences.

Completed training course in Questioned Handwriting and Document Examination receiving a certificate of training with a 98.5% accuracy rate in 2011-2013 from Reed Hayes.

Successfully completed the curriculum for the research class on measurement accuracy and scientific error terms related to proficiency testing.

Studied and apprenticed with world renowned Questioned Document Examiner

Felix Klein Manhattan Handwriting Services New York – USA 1992-1993

Master in Graphoanalysis

International Graphoanalysis Society 1989-1991

Certified by International Graphoanalysis Society 1987-1989

CAM Dip (Marketing, PR, and Advertising)

College of Distributive Trade, London England 1982-1986

Kingsway College – London England 1972-1975

English Language & Literature, German, Italian

British Economic and Social History, Sociology

One Year Sabbatical in Germany

Community Education Program for the Young European 1971-1972

Guest Speaker

House of Commons – London, England 1997

World Bank – Washington D.C. 1995

4th Annual Investigators and Sentencing Specialist Conference for
the Public Defenders Commission of Northern Virginia 1997

National Conference for Women Employment & Labor Law Counsel –
Washington D.C. 1997

US Postal Service – Baltimore Maryland 1998

Bowie State College – Maryland 2014

John Jay College of Criminal Justice – New York 2014

NADE Conference – Honolulu Hawaii – “Crimes of the Caribbean” 2014

NADE Conference – Portland Oregon – “Illegible signatures and beyond” 2016

NADE conference – Aberdeen Scotland “Complexities of Caribbean Fraud” 2019

IADE conference Online Zoom “Rebuttal to Rhetoric”	2020
IADE conference Online Zoom “Illegible signatures and the relevance of Movement”	2021

Memberships

The National Association of Document Examiners	since 2009
The Scientific Association of Forensic Document Examiners	since 2012
International Association of Document Examiners	2015
Member of the Ethics Committee for IADE	2015
IADE’s Conference Chair hosted in Montego Bay Jamaica	2015
IADE’s Conference Chair hosted in Montego Bay Jamaica	2019
IADE’s Conference Co-Chair Webinar	2020
IADE’s Vice President	2021

Conferences Attended

The Vanguard Conference – California USA	1998
The Vanguard Conference – Oxnard, California USA	2000
AHAF Conference – Honolulu, Hawaii	2001
Forensic Document Examiners Inc. – Baltimore	2009
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Scientific Association of Examiners – Baltimore USA	2012
JFIS – Anti Money Laundering Conference – Kingston Jamaica	2012
SAFE annual Conference – Baltimore, USA	2013
NADE annual Conference – Honolulu Hawaii	2014
SAFE annual Conference – Boca Raton, Florida	2014
IADE annual Conference – Montego Bay Jamaica	2015
NADE annual Conference – Portland, Oregon	2016
SAFE annual Conference Online – Zoom	2016
NADE annual Conference – Aberdeen Scotland	2019
IADE Conference Online – Zoom	2020
SAFE two-day conference Online – Zoom	2020
SAFE one-day conference Online – Zoom	2021
IADE Conference 3 day Online – Zoom	2021

Received an Official Citation from Maryland General Assembly in 2021 African Caribbean Month for her extensive work in forensic examination.

Recipient of the “Forerunner Award” from the Institute of Caribbean Studies for her body of work as a Document Examiner on November 20th, 2015 in Washington D.C.

Author of *Whose Signature is it Anyway? Complexities of Caribbean Fraud*, a four-hundred-page text book on cases won over a period of time using different principles to achieve success, released on May 5, 2025.