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Curriculum Vitae

MANNY GONZALES, BS, FCLS, CPI, CFE

Forensic Document Examiner

Mr. Gonzales, a retired U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Police Officer and former California Department of Consumer Affairs Certified Forensic Sciences Instructor, has more than 32 years of professional experience involving most aspects of forensic document examination. He is a former San Diego Police Dept. forensic document examiner and, for the past 22 plus years, a private forensic document examiner, consultant and testifying expert. Mr. Gonzales received his apprenticeship in questioned documents, beginning in 1979, at the Riverside County Sheriff's Department while employed as a Fraud Investigator (California Peace Officer) by the County of Riverside. While employed as a Special Investigator by the State Bar of California, Mr. Gonzales was also a non-compensated Deputy County Clerk in several California Counties.

In criminal matters, Mr. Gonzales has been retained on such crimes ranging from theft, prescription forgery to murder. In civil litigation, he has been retained on behalf of plaintiffs and defendants in matters ranging from suspected forged promissory notes of a few thousand dollars to suspected forged documents with values in the millions of dollars. His cases, both criminal and civil, have included high profile or highly publicized figures or incidents. Mr. Gonzales has lectured extensively on the subject of questioned documents on a local and international level. He is regarded as an excellent expert witness by those who have retained him to provide expert witness testimony and is respected by his peers.

Formal Education:

Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice (Cum Laude).

Available For & Consulted on Matters Involving:

- Real Estate Transactions
- Corporate Investigations
- General Civil Litigation
- Medical Malpractice
- Immigration Matters
- Anonymous Letters
- Sexual Harassment
- Probate Matters
- Criminal
- Family Law
- Criminal defense
- Insurance Fraud

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Areas of Expertise & Services Offered Involving:

- Development & Decipherment of Indented Writings
- Photocopier Classification & Identification
- Typewriting Classification & Identification
- Signature & Handwriting Identification
- Document Dating & Anachronism
- Detection of Altered Documents
- Computer-Generated Documents
- Decipherment of Obliterations
- Photocopy Manipulations
- Ink & Paper Analyses
- Counterfeit Detection
- Expert Witness Testimony
- Consulting

Venues Where Expert Witness Testimony Has Been Provided In California:

- Municipal Courts: San Diego, San Bernardino, Riverside and Beverly Hills, CA
- Superior Courts: San Diego, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, Kern, Imperial & Orange Counties
- Military Courts-Martial: 11th Naval District, San Diego
- Federal Courts: San Diego and Orange Counties
- U. S. Naval Board of Inquiry, San Diego, CA
- Arbitrations: San Diego and Marin Counties
- Student Honor Hearing: UCSD, San Diego
- Depositions: San Diego and Los Angeles
- Administrative Law Hearings: San Diego
- Jewish Rabbinical Court: Los Angeles
- Special Master Hearing: San Diego
- State Bar Court: Los Angeles
- DMV Hearings: San Diego
- NASD Hearing: San Diego

***Testified On Behalf Of:**

- State Bar Court, Division of Trial Counsel, State Bar of California
- San Diego County Alternate Public Defender's Office
- County of San Bernardino Public Defender's Office
- County of San Diego Office of the District Attorney
- San Diego County Public Defender's Office
- California Attorney General's Office
- Federal Defenders of San Diego, Inc.
- Beverly Hills Police Department
- San Diego Police Department
- U. S. Attorney's Office, U. S. Department of Justice
- Private Civil Attorneys for Defendants and Plaintiffs
- Private Criminal Defense Attorneys

**Initially qualified as an expert in questioned documents in 1980. Testified in excess of 160 occasions. In criminal matters, testimony has been provided on behalf of both the prosecution and defense.*

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Teaching & Other Consulting Experience:

- 1989-1994/2004: U. S. Department of Justice (ICITAP), Washington, D. C. Former chief consultant and instructor of questioned documents courses. Presented formal questioned document and expert witness testimony classes to law enforcement and intelligence agents throughout Central and South America and Caribbean.
- 1988-1995: Grossmont College, El Cajon, California, Forensic Technology Program. Adjunct faculty and chief instructor. Taught, "*Examination of Questioned Documents*" semester course.

Examined Documents & Rendered Conclusions on Behalf of:

- Bossier Parish District Attorney's Office, Benton, Louisiana
- San Diego County Office of the Alternate Public Defender
- San Bernardino County Office of the Public Defender
- Riverside County Office of the Public Defender
- Clark County Nevada District Attorney's Office
- U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service
- San Diego County Public Defenders' Office
- City of San Diego City Attorney's Office
- U. S. Postal Service Human Resources
- County Counsel, County of San Diego
- Naval Criminal Investigative Services
- California Attorney General's Office
- Federal Defenders of San Diego, Inc.
- Drug Enforcement Administration
- Beverly Hills Police Department
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- U. S. Postal Inspection Service
- San Diego Police Department
- Internal Revenue Service
- Federal Grand Jury
- And numerous private law firms, insurance carriers, corporations and private concerns

Highlights of Specialized Formal Questioned Documents Training:

- 1971: Golden West College, Huntington Beach, CA, *Examination of Questioned Documents* course,
- 1980: Golden West College, Huntington Beach, CA, *Examination of Questioned Documents* course.
- 1980: Institute of Applied Science. Included the Identification of Handwriting and Typewriting, Syracuse, NY, *Scientific Crime Detection*.
- 1980: U. S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury, Washington, D.C., *Questioned Documents Course*,
- 1986: Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, FBI Academy, Quantico, Virginia, *Fundamentals of Document Examination for Laboratory Personnel*,
- International Association for Identification (Questioned Document Section)
- Evidence Photographers' International Council School of Evidence Photography & Imaging (EPIC)

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Highlights of Continuing Professional Education:

- Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Forensic Digital Imaging
- Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners, Inc. (SWAFDE)
- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners (ABFDE)
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE)
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences (Questioned Document Section) (AAFS)
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- California Department of Justice

Professional Employment:

- *Alliance Forensic Services*, Document Examiner, Escondido, CA.
- *Associated Documents Examiners*, Document Examiner, San Diego, CA.
- *San Diego Police Department*, Police Document Examiner, Forensic Sciences Unit, San Diego, CA.
- *Auditor-Controller's Office*, Document Examiner, County of Los Angeles, CA.
- *State Bar of California*, Staff Special Investigator & Document Examiner, Los Angeles, CA.
- *County of Riverside, CA*, Fraud Investigator (California Peace Officer) and Document Examiner.

Professional Affiliations:

- International Association for Identification (Questioned Document Section & Questioned Document Section Committee Member)
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences (Questioned Document Section)
- Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners, Inc. (Charter Member)
- San Diego County Investigators Association (Past President)
- Evidence Photographers International Council
- Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

Licenses & Certifications:

1970: *Private Investigator's License*: Issued by the Department of Consumer Affairs.

- 1993: *Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE)* designation: Awarded by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.
- 1998: *Certified Professional Investigator (CPI)* designation: Awarded by the California Association of Licensed Investigators, Inc.,
- 2000: *Professional Certificate in Criminal Justice* from National University, San Diego, CA. Included the formal presentation of a research paper related to the forensic examination of photocopies to peers and faculty of National University.
- 2004: *Certified Instructor*: California Department of Consumer Affairs: Certified to teach "Forensic Sciences and Technology" and "Security Services Administration & Management" (Certificate No. COAFS-04-372516).
- 2004: *Fraud Claim Law Specialist (FCLS)*: A comprehensive course of study in insurance fraud law and defense investigation resulting in the FCLS professional designation conferred by American Educational Institute, Inc.

Proficiency Testing:

Mr. Gonzales has participated and continues to participate in voluntary proficiency testing for questioned document examiners administered by third parties, one of which also administers forensic testing in other disciplines to major law enforcement agencies.

Academic & Military Honors:

- Graduated *Cum Laude* with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from National University, San Diego, CA.
- *Award of Recognition*. Recognized by PI Magazine as one of the Nation's Leading Private Investigators because of contributions made to the private investigation field as a forensic document examiner.
- *Certificate of Achievement for Outstanding Performance as a Teacher*: Awarded by Grossmont Community College, El Cajon, CA.
- *Purple Heart Medal*: Awarded for "wounds received in action" against communist guerrilla forces while serving in the former Republic of South Vietnam with U. S. Marines.
- *U. S. Army Achievement Medal*: Earned for meritorious service while serving as a Marine Liaison Officer for the U. S. Army Oregon National Guard.

Military Experience:

- Criminal Investigator (trainee), Sergeant, USMC.
- Criminal Investigations Officer/Military Police Officer, Chief Warrant Officer 4 (Ret), USMCR. As an Officer of Marines, Mr. Gonzales provided training for members of the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) and military policemen in questioned documents and investigations and examined documents for the CID.

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