

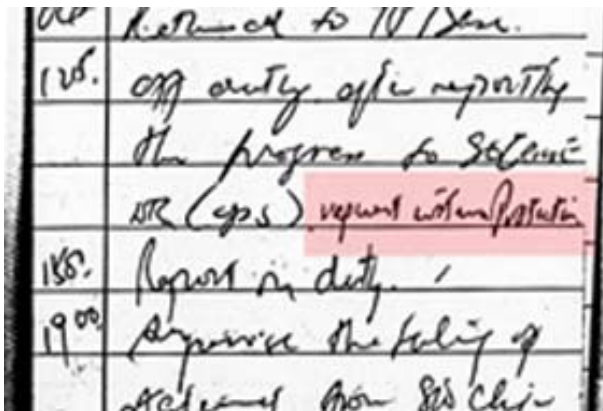
Seminar & Workshop - Forensic Examination of Fraudulent Documents, Signatures and Handwriting

Singapore 4 & 5 June, 6 & 7 June, 2007

A two day seminar and workshop on;

- **Detection of fraudulent documents, signatures and handwriting and the preservation of potential document evidence.**

The seminar/workshop is designed to enhance the skills of participants by exposing them to a comprehensive range of casework examples as well as providing a “hands on” opportunity to examine documents under the guidance of recognized experts. Participants will gain an appreciation of the scope of forensic document examination and how they should handle documents in order to maximize their evidential potential. Previous course participants have included police, lawyers, corporate/government investigators and bank staff involved in payments/transaction processing.



Suspect Notebook Entry



“Cut and Paste” Signature

This workshop is regularly presented in Australia as well as having been presented in Singapore and the Philippines. The presenters are two of Australia’s leading forensic document examiners. Forensic Document Services Pty Ltd is Australia’s largest private forensic document laboratory and has been providing document examination services primarily throughout Australia and South-East Asia for approximately 25 years. Its staff are called upon by

government, law enforcement and the private sector to provide their expertise in routine, controversial and high profile cases.

By drawing on actual case work, delegates become involved in the practical application of what they learn. This instills good practices and ensures that the evidential value of documents is considered and not compromised.



ESDA examination
to develop latent
writing impressions

Learning outcomes. Delegates will hear and learn about:

- **Strategies to identify and deal with false documents and signatures**
- **Latest techniques in document and handwriting examination**
- **the scope of document examination including: forged signatures, handwriting identification, dating documents and detecting altered or added entries in files and records;**
- **techniques to recover/identify evidence contained within documents;**
- **document handling procedures;**
- **obtaining specimen signatures, handwritings and other documents.**

The **2 day seminar is restricted to a maximum of 14 delegates** to maximize learning outcomes and allow greater interaction between delegates and presenters in the practical sessions.

About the Speakers¹ (See speaker CV's):

- Paul Westwood, OAM, NM, LLB, FSS Dip (Doc Exam), ASFDE, RFP, Director & Chief Document Examiner
- Michelle Novotny, BSc. App. Chem., Foren. Sc. (Hons), RFP, Senior Document Examiner

¹ IRG reserves the right to substitute with another speaker from Forensic Document Services if required



THE SCIENTIFIC EXAMINATION OF QUESTIONED DOCUMENTS AND HANDWRITING

About the Company

Forensic Document Services Pty Ltd provides a comprehensive document examination facility and advisory service to clients such as government departments, financial institutions, insurance companies and legal firms.

Our laboratories are consulted by clients throughout Australia, as well as clients in Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, New Zealand, Brunei, Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Japan and England.

About the Speakers



Paul Westwood

Paul Westwood is a former Director of the Document Examination Laboratories of the Australian Federal Police and the Department of Immigration. He has established private document laboratories in Canberra and Sydney with field equipment located in Hong

Kong and Singapore. Paul has worked extensively for government departments, banking and financial institutions and law firms throughout Australia and overseas.

Paul was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 1982 for services in the field of document examination whilst a member of the Australian Federal Police. He was also awarded the National Medal in 1984 in respect of police service. Paul holds the degree of Bachelor of Laws and a Diploma in Document Examination from the Forensic Science Society of the United Kingdom. He is also a corresponding member of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners.

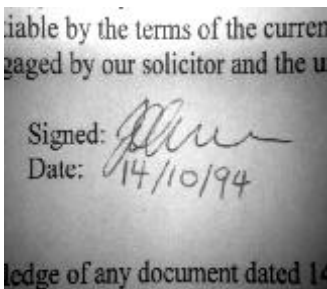


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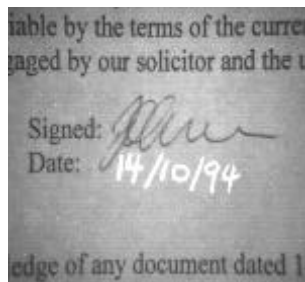
Michelle Novotny holds the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Chemistry and Forensic Science from the University of Technology, Sydney. She undertook post-graduate training in the field of forensic document examination with Paul and has been employed by

Forensic Document Services since October 1997.

Michelle undertakes research in various aspects of forensic document examination and has written and presented scientific papers at national and international forensic science conferences. She holds membership with a number of national and international professional societies including the Australasian Society of Forensic Document Examiners and the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners. She has been accepted as an expert by Local, District, Supreme and Federal Courts in Australia.



This signature and date were said to have been written at the same time using the same black ink ballpoint pen. An examination using the microscope did not reveal any visible evidence to the contrary.



An examination using a video spectral comparator (VSC) revealed the use of two inks. The two inks were differentiated by their infrared luminescence properties.



An examination using electrostatic detection apparatus (ESDA) reveals latent impressions in a document caused by the act of writing on overlying documents. In addition to their content such impressions (black images on the ESDA film) may indicate the origins, history and relative dating of a document.

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