

**EVELYN ANNE GILLIES**

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**Work History**

**January 2015 on Independent Forensic Handwriting and Questioned Document Examiner**

Covering all aspects of Questioned Document Examination, including both document and handwriting examination.

Competent in the use of the VSC, ESDA, microscope (high power, low power, comparison) in examination. Also, in the use of digital cameras and Coral Paint Shop Pro, to produce images for records and illustrations for Court.

I prepare Forensic Science Reports based upon my conclusions. These have been used in various Courts in throughout Scotland, including the Court of Session and High Court.

I have been employed to give examine documents and give evidence at tribunals, including unfair dismissals, immigration disputes.

Casework undertaken from across the UK, Europe and Far East.

I am solely responsible for all aspects of the office management, including typing, accounts and web design.

**March 2015 on Part-time Lecturer Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen**

Provide Forensic Handwriting and Questioned Document input to students on the Forensic and Analytical Science BSc (Hons) course.

Lecturing to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> years on all aspects of Document and Handwriting examination, including Court skills.

Devise and run handwriting/questioned document workshops for 2<sup>nd</sup> year students.

Devise and co-supervise Honour student projects.

**2012 To October 2017 Owner/ Manager KidzNScience**

Science education for children aged between 7 and 12, provided within a fun environment, at both private and corporate events.

Ran all aspects of the business, including design of website, design of experiments, maintaining COSHH file, accounting and marketing.

PVG checked.

**April 2010 to March 2015 Business Manager Crown Dental Group, Aberdeen**

General office management and administration.

Web design and maintenance.

Anything else required of me.

**Sept 1993 to Aug 2006 Forensic Document Examiner Grampian Police, Aberdeen**

Carried out Forensic Handwriting and Questioned Document examination where there was doubt as to the authenticity of authorship or the method of production of the document.

Wrote Forensic Science Reports on the basis of my detailed examination listing my conclusions for the Procurator Fiscal, Crown, Customs and Excise and other Government agencies.

Prepared Illustrations to aid presentation of evidence in Court.

Experience in a wide range of cases, from fraud to murder.

Attended Court at all levels, throughout Scotland to present evidence.

Involved in general office administration, including answering enquiries from Police Officers, Procurator Fiscals and other Government Agencies.

Training Procurator Fiscals and Police Officers on the benefits Document Examination and the submission of best evidence.

Training of document examiners from across Scotland.

Maintained discretion at all times

Competent in use of VSC (Video Spectral Comparator) and ESDA (Electro Static Detection Apparatus)

Able to work under pressure and to short time scales.

Reorganisation of Forensic Sciences lead to unit closing

**Nov 1988 – Oct 1989** **Research Scientist ICI Diagnostics**, Northwich Cheshire  
Member of Technical Services, working on the development of DNA Profiling.

## Education

**Jan 2002** FSS Dip - Forensic Science Society/ Strathclyde University Diploma  
Document Examination (only examiner in Scotland to hold this  
qualification)

**Nov 1989 to Oct 1992** PhD The University of Glasgow, awarded 1996

**Oct 1987 to Sept 1988** MSc Forensic Science, Strathclyde University

**Oct 1983 to Jun 1987** BSc (Hons) Genetics, The University of Glasgow

## Memberships

Member of Forensic Science Society since 1987, which is now the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences (CSFS). As a Professional member, I use the post nominal MCSFS.

Listed on the Scottish Law Society of Expert Witness List. 2019, 2020

## Volunteering

Ran a Science Club at local Primary school for 7 – 8-year olds, between 2008 and 2012.

## References

Mr Paul Bagnall BSc FFSoc Dip PgDip MCSFS  
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A selection of cases

- for the Crown

HMA v Steven Leisk, 1997

HMA v Leonard Bowie, 2002

HMA v Nat Fraser, 2003

HMA v Ian Geddes, 2005

HMA v David George Pocock et al, 2010

- as an independent examiner

HMA v Yvonne Davidson et al, 2015

HMA v Emin Ozmen et al, 2016

Pryde v Pryde, 2016 - Court of Session

Mohammed v Khan, 2016 - Court of Session

Rutherford v Rutherford, 2016

HMA v David Broadfoot, 2018

James Stephen And Another -V- Dorothy Melville And Alistair Melville, April 2019 – Court of Session

YS v BS: Reclaiming motion By YS Against BS, Court of Session October 2019

Wrangle v Brunt, May 2020, High Court London

I examine on average 50 cases a year as an independent examiner.