

Jennifer L. Naso

Biographical Information & CV

Jennifer L. Naso is a board-certified forensic document examiner with over two decades of experience in the field of forensic science and questioned document examination. She has served as a Forensic Document Examiner with Riley, Welch, LaPorte & Associates since 2011, where she conducts examinations involving handwriting identification, signature authenticity, document alterations, indented writing, obliterations, document authentication, printing processes, and other aspects of forensic document analysis. In addition to conducting casework, she provides technical reviews of examinations completed by other forensic document examiners.

Prior to joining Riley, Welch, LaPorte & Associates, Ms. Naso served as a Document Analyst with the United States Secret Service (USSS), where she successfully completed the agency's rigorous Questioned Document Examiner Training Program. During her tenure with the Secret Service, she conducted examinations in support of criminal investigations involving handwriting, questioned documents, and counterfeit materials. Earlier in her career, she completed an apprenticeship in the Questioned Document Section of the Connecticut State Forensic Laboratory, where she received extensive training in handwriting comparison, simulated writing, indented writing examinations, and specialized laboratory techniques.

Ms. Naso earned a Master of Science in Forensic Science from the University of New Haven and a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Yale University. Her education, combined with extensive specialized training through the United States Secret Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE), and numerous other forensic science organizations, has provided her with comprehensive expertise in all facets of forensic document examination.

She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Forensic Document Examiners (ABFDE) and a member of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners. Ms. Naso also serves as a contributing member of the Organization of Scientific Area Committees for Forensic Science (OSAC), supporting the advancement of forensic science standards and best practices.

Throughout her career, Ms. Naso has remained active in forensic science education and professional development. She has presented lectures and workshops on forensic document examination at national conferences, instructed specialized training programs for forensic document examiners, served as an adjunct professor teaching graduate-level questioned document examination, and provided instruction at the Rochester Institute of Technology and other professional organizations. Her presentations have included topics such as typeface analysis, counterfeit document production, Arabic handwriting examinations, and emerging forensic document technologies.

Ms. Naso has worldwide notoriety and is well respected both nationally and internationally as she has been qualified and accepted as an expert witness in federal, state, county, and international courts in both criminal and civil matters. Her casework has included complex examinations involving questioned handwriting, disputed signatures, document authenticity, and document production methods. She has provided expert testimony in a wide range of legal matters and continues to serve attorneys, governmental agencies, corporations, financial institutions, and private clients throughout the United States and internationally.



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Curriculum Vitae

Position:

Forensic Document Examiner with Riley, Welch, LaPorte and Associates Forensic Laboratories, Inc., Frankenmuth, Michigan

Education:

University of New Haven (2006) West Haven, CT.
Masters of Science in Forensic Science (M.S.F.S.)

Yale University (2004) New Haven, CT.
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Psychology

Work Experience:

Riley Welch LaPorte & Associates (10/11 – Present) New York, NY

Forensic Document Examiner

Duties: Complete handwriting examinations to determine common authorship or authentication, examination of signatures, indented writing, obliterations, determine method of production, document authentication, and review casework completed by other examiners.

United States Secret Service (05/06 – 10/11) Washington, DC

Document Analyst

Duties: Complete handwriting examinations to determine common authorship or authentication, examination of signatures, indented writing, obliterations, determine method of production, document authentication, and review casework completed by other examiners.

Connecticut State Forensics Laboratory (03/05 – 04/06) Meriden, CT

Apprentice

Duties: Participate in individual training program in the Questioned Document and Special Revenue Departments; gain experience in handwriting comparison, indented writing, simulated writing, and using laboratory equipment; conduct research projects.

Connecticut State Forensics Laboratory (06/03 – 08/03) Meriden, CT

Forensic Intern

Duties: Assist forensic scientists in each discipline in various tasks, organize and prepare a teachers conference, and aid in processing crime scenes.



Work Experience: (cont.)

Suffolk County Medical Examiners Office (06/01 – 08/01) Hauppauge, NY
Intern

Duties: Assist the medical examiners with different aspects of the autopsies, collect data, take measurements, and prepare and clean-up the autopsy room.

Specialized Training:

United States Secret Service: Questioned Document Examiner Training (5/2006 – 11/2008)

Some Basics of FDE Examination of PDF Documents Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, San Antonio, TX, 2022.

Demonstrative Evidence in the Courtroom Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Virtual Conference, 2021.

Pressure Training Calibration Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Virtual Conference, 2021.

Examination Basics for Adobe PDF files Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Virtual Conference, 2021.

Mark Hofmann – Master Forger and Murderer workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Park City, UT 2018.

Latin American Writing Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Park City, UT 2018.

Preparing a Digital Signature File for Forensic Analysis Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, San Diego, CA 2017.

Forensic Science Research: Your Mission to Propose, Innovate, and Collaborate – Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, San Diego, CA 2017.

Chinese Handwriting and Signatures Workshop: “Hanzi” through the eyes of the Forensic Document Examiner, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, San Diego, CA 2017.

Leveraging Technology for QD Courtroom Presentations Workshop, Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists, Hunt Valley, MD 2009

Arabic Immersion Program, Gulf Arabic Program, Professional Training Institute, Buraimi, Oman 2008

Charred Documents Workshop, by Gabe Watts, Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists, Huntington, WV 2008

Expert Witness Testimony Workshop, Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists, Huntington, WV 2008

Specialized Training: (cont.)

Preparing for Daubert Hearing Workshop, Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists, Huntington, WV 2008

Beginning Modern Standard Arabic Level IV, Ibrahim Elgendy, Middle East Institute, Washington, D.C. 2008

Arabic Immersion Program, American Language Institute in Fes, Fes, Morocco 2007

Intermediate Arabic I, Aisha Sherbiny, Arlington Adult Education Center, Arlington VA 2007

Infrared and Ultraviolet Imaging Workshop, by Chandra Janney, International Association for Identification, San Diego, CA 2007

Forensic Identification of Print Processes, hosted by the United States Secret Service and the Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY 2007

Chemically Prepared Toner Workshop, by Graham J. Galliford, Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Science, Washington, DC 2007

Beginning Arabic Level II, Aisha Sherbiny, Arlington Adult Education Center, Arlington, VA 2007

Fundamentals of Handwriting, hosted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Forensics Laboratory, Quantico, VA 2007

Beginning Arabic Level I, Aisha Sherbiny, Arlington Adult Education Center, Arlington, VA 2006

Authenticating and Dating Methods Used in Forensic Document Examination, by Gerry Laporte, American Board of Forensic Document Examiners Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV 2006

Simulated and Disguised Signatures, by Derek Hammond, American Board of Forensic Document Examiners Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV 2006

Papermaking Training and Tour, hosted by Appleton Paper Mill, Appleton, PA 2006

Print Processes Training and Tour, hosted by De La Rue Printing Facility, Dulles, VA 2006

Fine and Subtle Features Workshop, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners Annual Meeting, Portland, OR 2006



Presentations/Teaching:

“Authenticating Documents Through Typeface Analysis”, American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Conference, San Antonio, TX, August 2022.

“Forensic Document Capabilities.” New York Chapter of Fraud Examiners, Conference, New York, NY. October 2016.

Instructor, Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists Fall Workshop, “Production of Counterfeit Materials”, United States Secret Service headquarters, Washington, D.C., October 2010

Adjunct Professor, “Examination of Questioned Documents” graduate level class. The George Washington University. Spring 2009 – Spring 2010.

Instructor, “Print Process Identification and Image Analysis for Forensic Document Examiners”. Rochester Institute of Technology, November 2009, June, 2010.

“Arabic Writing and the Non-Native Speaking Examiner” Adapted. American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Annual Meeting, Asheville, NC, August 2008.

“Arabic Writing and the Non-Native Speaking Examiner.” Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists, Huntington, WV 2008

“The Diminishing Presence of the Cursive Alphabet.” American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE), Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, August 2005. Poster presentation.

Profession Organizations:

Diplomate – American Board of Forensic Document Examiners (ABFDE) Member

American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE)

Contributing member of the Organization of Scientific Area Committees for Forensic Science (OSAC)

Court Testimony:

I have been accepted by and testified in federal, county, and international courts as an expert witness in both criminal and civil cases. I have never been excluded as an expert or from testifying as an expert witness in any County, State, Federal, International Court, Arbitration or Administrative proceeding.

