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**Curriculum Vitae  
Linton A. Mohammed  
Forensic Document Examiner**

**Experience**

1997 - Present  
Associated Document Examiners  
San Diego, CA  
**Forensic Document Examiner**

1996 – Present  
San Diego County Sheriff's Department, Regional Crime Laboratory  
San Diego, CA  
**Senior Forensic Document Examiner (2002 – Present)**  
**Forensic Document Examiner (1996-2002)**

1993 – 1996  
Laboratory of the Government Chemist,  
Teddington, Middlesex, England  
**Forensic Document Examiner**

- Document examination, court testimony

1992 – 1993  
Caribbean Institute of Forensic Investigations Ltd.  
Trinidad, West Indies  
**Forensic Document Examiner**

- Document examination, court testimony, marketing

1989 – 1992  
Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Center  
Trinidad, West Indies  
**Forensic Document Examiner**

- Document examination, court testimony, safety officer

**Education**

2006 –  
Ph.D candidate at La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia.

Thesis: Elucidating spatial and dynamic features to discriminate  
between signature disguise and signature forgery behavior

Supervisors: Assoc. Prof. Doug Rogers and Dr. Bryan Found

2002 - 2005  
National University, San Diego, CA  
**Master of Forensic Sciences**

1980 - 1984

University of the West Indies  
Trinidad, West Indies  
**Bachelor of Science**

### **Specialized Training/Continuing Education**

December 1986 – December 1988  
Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Center,  
Port of Spain  
Trinidad, West Indies

**Document Examination Training** -Two year program at the Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Center, Port of Spain, Trinidad. Mr. Robert Fawcett (Staff Sergeant [retired], Royal Canadian Mounted Police) conducted the training which included the examination of: signatures, handwriting, typewriting, machine printing, commercial printing, photocopies, hand stamps, ink, paper, indented impressions, binding materials; restoration of alterations, erasures, and obliterations. The training also included photography and court testimony.

- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Orlando, Florida, 1991:
  - Canon Fax Workshop
  - Deposition Testimony Workshop
  - Expert Witness Workshop
  - Signature Comparison Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 1992:
  - Signature Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, Ottawa, Canada, 1993:
  - Laser Printer Workshop
  - Miscellaneous Document Examination Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Scottsdale, Arizona, 1997:
  - Handwriting Workshop
- California Criminalistics Institute, Sacramento, California, 1997:
  - Courtroom Presentation of Evidence
- Canadian Society of Forensic Science 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, 1997:
  - Digital Image Processing Workshop
- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners, Las Vegas, Nevada, 1998:
  - Examination Techniques in Handwriting & Rubber Stamp Cases Seminar
- Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners, Las Vegas, Nevada, 1999:
  - Typewriter Examination & Classification Workshop
- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners, Norcross, Georgia, 2000:
  - Canon Photocopier and Facsimile Training Workshop

- California Criminalistics Institute, Sacramento, California, 2000:
  - Special Topics in Questioned Documents
- Limbic Systems, Inc., Bellingham, WA 2001:
  - Measurement of Internal Consistencies Software (MICS)
- Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY 2002:
  - Printing Process Identification and Image Analysis for Forensic Document Examiners
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL 2002
  - Note Taking for Forensic Document Examiners Workshop
- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners, Las Vegas, NV 2004
  - Daubert Seminar
- California Criminalistics Institute, Sacramento, CA 2005
  - Technical Writing for Criminalists
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, New Orleans, LA 2005
  - State of the Art Infrared and Ultraviolet Examinations of Documents by the Video Spectral Comparator
- Southeastern Association of Forensic Document Examiners, Atlanta, GA 2006
  - Disguised and Forged Signatures Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Portland, OR 2006
  - Fine and Subtle Features of Handwriting Workshop
  - Signature Workshop
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington DC 2008
  - The Applications of Color Analysis and Light Theory in the Forensic Examination of Documents Workshop
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Denver, CO 2009
  - Estimation of Uncertainty – Is Anyone Certain What This Means? Workshop
  - Security Documents before and After the Crime: REAL ID, Physical and Electronic Security Features, Developments in Commercial Printing Technology, and an Introduction to Counterfeit Link Analysis Workshop

### **Publications/Presentations**

- Mohammed, L. *Signature disguise in Trinidad and Tobago* - Journal of the Forensic Science Society Vol. 33 (1) 1993. (Presented at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Orlando, FL 1991).
- Mohammed, L. *Cocaine and handwriting* - presented at the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Milwaukee, WI 1992.
- Mohammed, L. *Sequencing writing impressions and laser printing or ink-jet printing using the ESDA* - Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners Vol. 1 (1) 1998. (Presented at the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Canadian Society of Forensic Science, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada 1997).

- Mohammed, L. *An evaluation of documents produced by a high-speed, high-volume scanning process* - Forensic Science Communications Vol. 1 (3) 1999 (www.fbi.gov/programs/lab/fsc) (Poster presentation at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Symposium on Questioned Documents, Albany, NY 1999).
- Mohammed, L. *Write-On™: A new tool for handwriting comparison* - Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners Vol. 2 (2) 1999.
- Mohammed, L., Buglio, J., Shafer, A. *The influence of paper on the performance of the VSC-2000 spectrometer* - Presented at the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada 2000
- Mohammed, L., Buglio, J. *The Association of Forensic Document Examiners* - Prepared for the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada 2000
- Mohammed, L. *Demonstrative evidence and multi-media technology* - Presented at the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Des Moines, IA 2001.
- Mohammed, L., Jenkinson, G. Association of counterfeit documents to a printing plate by means of half tone dots – *Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners Vol. 5 (1) 2002*
- Mohammed, L. *A standardized training program for Forensic Document Examiners – A proposal* - Presented at the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Baltimore, MD 2003
- Mohammed, L. *Daubert and Documents* – Presented at the California Association of Criminalists Fall Conference, San Diego, CA 2003
- Mohammed, L. *The Edge of Light™ Scanner* - Presented at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Conference, New Orleans, LA 2005
- Mohammed, L., Williams, D. *Preparing Demonstrative Charts with the use of Adobe Photomerge®* - Poster presentation, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA 2006
- Mohammed, L., Richards, G. *Thinking Outside the Box* – Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Vol. 9 (2) 2006.
- Mohammed, L., Found, B., Rogers, D. *Frequency of Signature Styles in San Diego County* – Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Vol. 11 (1) 2008.
- Mohammed, L., Found, B., Rogers, D. *Genuine and Disguised Signatures – An Empirical Approach* -Presented at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC 2008
- Mohammed, L. *Judicial Challenges to Expert Witness Testimony in the USA: The Daubert Trilogy* -Presented at the 1<sup>st</sup>. Eurasian Congress on Forensic Sciences, Istanbul, Turkey 2008
- Mohammed, L., Found, B., Caligiuri, M., Rogers, D. *Can Dynamic Features Be Used To Discriminate Between Genuine, Auto-Simulated, and Simulated Signatures?* - Presented at the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Denver, CO 2009

- Mohammed, L.A. (2009) *Alterations, Erasures, and Obliterations of Documents*, in Wiley Encyclopedia of Forensic Science, Jamieson, A., Moenssens, A. (eds). John Wiley & Sons Ltd., Chichester, UK, pp. 128-134.
- Mohammed, L., Found, B., Caligiuri, M., Rogers, D. *Pen Pressure as a Discriminating Feature between Genuine and Forged Signatures* - Presented at the International Graphonomics Society Conference, Dijon, France, September 2009
- Mohammed, L., Found, B., Caligiuri, M., Rogers, D. *The Dynamic Character of Disguise Behavior for Text-Based, Mixed, and Stylized Signatures*. Journal of Forensic Sciences (in press).

### Teaching Experience

- Adjunct Instructor, Oklahoma State University, 2006 – present: graduate-level course: Historical Aspects of Questioned Documents
- Routinely give classes to attorneys and investigators on Document Examination
- Workshop: Genuine, Disguised, and Forged Signatures (1/2 day)
  - Presented at the 1st Eurasian Congress on Forensic Sciences, Istanbul, Turkey 2008
  - Presented at the Victoria Forensic Science Centre, Melbourne, Australia 2008
  - Presented at the European Network of Forensic Handwriting Experts (ENFHEX) Meeting, Krakow, Poland 2009
- Workshop: Signature Examination: Translating Basic Science into Practice - co-presented with Prof. Michael Caligiuri, UCSD (1 day)
  - Presented at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Annual Conference, Seattle, WA 2010

### Licenses/Certifications

- Diploma in Document Examination – Forensic Science Society, 1996
- Certificate of Qualification in Forensic Document Examination – American Board of Forensic Document Examiners, 1998

### Professional Affiliations

- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners
  - Vice-President: 2008 –
  - Treasurer: 2006 – 2008
  - Director: 2004 – 2006
  - Annual Conference Program Chair: 2006
  - Chair, Evaluation and Examination Committee: 2002 – 2006
  - Annual Conference Site Chair: 2002
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences (Fellow – Questioned Documents Section)
- ASTM International– Sub-Committees E30 (Forensic Sciences) and E30.02 (Questioned Documents)
- Canadian Society of Forensic Science
- Forensic Science Society
- Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners

**Miscellaneous Activities**

- Participant in Scientific Working Group on Documents (SWGDOC) 2009, 2010
- Grant reviewer for the National Institute of Justice and affiliated agencies (2009)

**Courtroom Experience**

- USA, England and the Caribbean – testified approximately 100 times as an expert witness in Forensic Document Examination.