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Education, Training and Experience

as pertaining to Handwriting and Document Examination from 2015 to present

July 2021 to present: Owner of Forensic Forgery Experts, Expert Document Examiner and Handwriting Expert. I have completed and rendered expert opinions on over 200 cases. My Court Case Summary / List of Testimonials is on pages 3, 4 and 5.

March 4, 2017 to December 2025: Staff Expert with Curt Baggett, who is a Leading Expert Document Examiner and Handwriting Expert in the USA. Over 2,000 cases prepared, examined and reviewed. Prepared and attended over 125 legal cases for Depositions and Court Testimony.

April 1, 2020: Webinar Training with Experts.com. Subject: 7 Things an Expert Witness Must Know for Deposition & Trial. Trainer & Co-host: Trial lawyer, Mitch Jackson, taught the 7 items he wishes all expert witnesses knew before deposition and trial. Mitch Jackson, Esq., is a senior partner at Jackson & Wilson Trial Lawyers, in Orange County, California. Mitch Jackson earned the award of 2013 California Lawyer of the Year.

June 6-8, 2018: Instructor via written presentation at the 18th Wroclaw Symposium of Questioned Document Examination at University of Wroclaw in Poland June 6-8, 2018. Certificate Issued.

2016: Attended Handwriting University International Handwriting Conference in Las Vegas, NV (Sept.). This was a 3-day weekend with Leading Expert Speakers from the U.S. and India.

March 4, 2015 thru March 4, 2017: Intense 2-year training / Apprenticeship includes hands on cases with a Leading Document Examiner and Handwriting Expert in the U.S.A., Curt Baggett. Completion of 2-year course with Certificate of Excellence / Completion Issued. I prepared, examined and/or reviewed over 500 cases; and prepared 37 legal cases for court and/or deposition testimony for Curt Baggett. I attended 37 court and/or deposition testimony of Curt Baggett.

Education and Background Prior to 2015:

July 2011 - December 2014: Legal Assistant for Attorney David M. Lynch in Euclid, Ohio.

2014: Candidate for Trumbull County Commissioner in Ohio. Speaking Events in the County.

2012: Candidate for Ohio House Representative in District 63, Ohio. Speaking Events in District.

2011 – 2012: The Ohio Project's NE Ohio District Coordinator. Grassroots effort that amended the State of Ohio Constitution to protect Citizens' right to opt out of Mandated Health Care with no fines or penalties. Worked with 18 NE Ohio County Coordinators. Phone conferences with State Coordinator, Legal Coordinator, 4 additional OH District Coordinators (SE, NW, SW & Central).

2005 - 2013: Owner and Instructor/Teacher of Private Piano Studio. Managed student participation in Recitals, Ohio Federation of Music Clubs Festival, Competitions.

2002 - 2015: Ohio Federation of Music Clubs / OFMC Chair (Director) for Annual Music Festival at Youngstown State University. Over 100 students participated in over 300 events.

April 1996 to 2004: Market America Unfranchise Business Owner, reaching the level of Supervising Coordinator within 3 years. Certified Executive Coordinator Trainer, New Distributor Trainer, Basic 5 Trainer, Speaker at Local Seminars and Regional Convention in Cincinnati, OH.

1975: Attended Associated Airline Travel Agency School – Graduated Scholastically Highest in Class

1975: Earned Private Pilot License (Single Engine Land)

1975: Graduate, McDonald High School with the Highest number of Credits in the field of College Prep

1975: President of G.A.A. (Girl's Athletic Association) at McDonald High School

1968 to 1975: High School Pianist and Accompanist. Orchestra, Marching Band Squad Leader, Concert Band, Pep Band, Solo and Ensemble Contests

Sports: Softball (both slow and fast pitch team leagues), Volleyball, Track, Synchronized Swim Team 4 yrs.

Personal Background: Steelworker (welder for 6 years), Business Owner, Advocate for Children and Justice, Sunday School Teacher, Mother of Three Children – Two who served in the USAF Reserves.

Court Case SUMMARY

I have been qualified and/or appointed and/or accepted by the following Courts as an Expert, and/or have testified in trial or by deposition or made an appearance from August 2022 through July 15, 2026 in the following cases and/or cities.

- August 10, 2022 In the Twentieth Judicial Circuit of Virginia, Fauquier County Circuit Court, North Courtroom, Warrenton, **VA** / Case No. CL20-437 / Judge Dennis L. Hupp / Court PH: 540-422-8100 / Driton Sadiku V. Melanie N. Sadiku / Atty. for Defendant: John C. Whitbeck Jr. / **Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via Zoom for Defendant** / Judge Dennis Hupp agrees with Handwriting Expert, Patricia Hale and rules a forgery, exactly as Expert Hale testified. Melanie Sadiku wins.
- September 13, 2022 In the Seventh District Court in Emery County, Castle Dale, **UT** 84513 Judge Harmond / In the Estate of Margaret Doris Jones Atty. M'Kay Driggs, Rogers & Russell Legal Solutions for Plaintiff **Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.**
- September 23, 2022 In the Court of Common Pleas Criminal Division Summit County, **OH** Case No. CR 2020-01-0316 / Judge Susan Baker Ross State of Ohio, Plaintiff VS. Dustin C. Austin, Defendant Atty. Charles Quinn for Defendant **Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.**
- March 30, 2023 In the Superior Court of the State of **Arizona**, County of Navajo Judge Jon H. Saline / Case No. DO2020-00202 / Court PH: 928-532-4529 Atty. Eduardo Coronado for Petitioner, Loree Donovan **Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via phone.**
- June 14, 2024 (Hearing) In the Court of Common Pleas, Summit County, Akron, **OH** Case No. CV-24-01-0348 / Judge Alison McCarty Shaun Jaber, Plaintiff VS. Mansour Kahook, et al, Defendants Atty. Michael Callahan for Defendant, Mansour Kahook **Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom In Person for Defendant.**
- July 2, 2024 (Pre-Trial Hearing) In Cabell County Circuit Court, **West Virginia**, 2nd floor Courtroom 2 / 20-F-140 / State V. Robin Nolan / Judge Greg Howard Atty. Tim Rosinsky for Robin Nolan **Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.** Case Settled afterwards.
- July 22, 2024 In the Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division, Trumbull County, Warren, **OH** / Case No. 2023 DR 273 / Judge Samuel F. Bluedorn David L. Durch, Plaintiff VS. Rose A. Durch, Defendant Atty. Anthony Rossi III for Plaintiff **Expert Patricia J. Hale In Person Appearance at Courthouse. Case Settled while waiting outside of courtroom to testify.**

August 16, 2024	(Hearing continued from 6-14-24) In the Court of Common Pleas, Summit County, Case No. CV-24-01-0348 / Judge Alison McCarty Akron, OH Shaun Jaber, Plaintiff VS. Mansour Kahook, et al, Defendants Atty. Michael Callahan for Defendant, Mansour Kahook Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified Remotely in Courtroom.
December 12, 2024	In The Common Pleas Court, Coshocton County, Ohio, Probate Division Case No. 20221129A / Judge Jason W. Given / Shannon Murphy, Plaintiff vs. Loretta Lynn Markely, et at., Defendants / Atty. Stephen A. Eckinger for Plaintiff Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom in Person for Plaintiff. Judge rules in favor of Expert Hale's testimony. Plaintiff wins.
January 9, 2025	In the Common Pleas Court, Probate Division of Warren County, Lebanon, OH Case No. 20232066 & 20232081 / Judge Joseph W. Kirby / In the Matter of: Guardianship of: Judith J. Reed / Atty. Stephen Imms for Todd Reed Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.
April 28, 2025	In the Probate Court For the County of Kalamazoo, Michigan In the Estate of David Parent / File No. 2024-0877DE Hon. Judge Gary C. Giguere, Jr. Atty. Robert Dutka for Petitioner, Michelle Kostner Expert Patricia J. Hale Appeared in Courtroom remotely via zoom. Judge Giguere, Jr. ruled in favor of Petitioner, which Expert Hale's written Report Confirmed, which was submitted to the Court previously. Expert Hale was not called / not needed to testify while present.
May 20, 2025	In The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, Probate Department, Medford, Oregon 97501 / Court Room 102 / Case No. 24PB09308 In the Matter of the Estate of James A. Broadwater Atty. Evander McIver for Byron Batres Expert Patricia J. Hale Appeared in Courtroom remotely via zoom. Expert Hale's written Report and Work Product was filed with the Court. Judge ruled in favor of Byron Batres, and ruled the Will was Not valid as Expert Hale's exam revealed. Expert Hale was not called / not needed to testify while present. Testimony via Written Report and Work Product was sufficient.
June 27, 2025 June 30, 2025	In the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, Dept. 97, Stanley Mosk Courthouse Case # 24STUD11165 / Judge Jeffery D. McFarland / NELA Development 1, LLC vs. Lupe Breard / Atty. Payman Taheri for Plaintiff Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.
July 3, 2025	In the Superior Court of Arizona, Maricopa County, Phoenix, AZ 85003 Case No. PB 2023-003648 / Judge Kerstin Lemaire In the Matter of the Estate of Elnora Morrison Poindexter, Deceased. Atty. Eric Overstreet for Earlene Armstrong Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.

- November 12, 2025 In the 13th Judicial Circuit Court, Division 1, Jessamine County, Nicholasville KY 40356 / Willoughby, Jess Case / Judge Hunter Daugherty / Case 22-CI-347 Atty. Than Cutler for Plaintiff, Brent Willoughby on signature of Gleah Willoughby on Will / Judge ruled in favor of Plaintiff & agreed with Expert on forgery. *"Patricia Hale, who qualified as an expert in handwriting analysis....has significant experience in this field..."* From Court's Finding of Fact, Conclusion of Law and Order filed 11-17-2025 on page 2. *"Ms. Hale's expert testimony was uncontroverted."* on page 3. Court agreed with Expert Hale's findings.
Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.
- April 18, 2026 In the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division, Trumbull County, Warren, OH Case Number: 2025 CVA 00009 / Judge James A. Fredericka Sharon Grover et al. V. Peter Kefalas et al. / Atty. Chloe A. Bucher for Plaintiff, Sharon Grover – *"The Court finds that Patricia Hale has sufficient credentials to be qualified as an expert."* From Judgment Entry filed 6-17-2026 on page 3.
Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom in person.
- July 15, 2026 In the Iowa District Court for Scott County Case No: 07821 PCCE139105 / Sherrell Quintrad Robinson, Pro Se Plaintiff/Petitioner VS. State of Iowa, Defendant/Respondent Court's Ruling e-filed on 7-17-26 on pg. 2: *"...presented the testimony of Patricia J. Hale, who was accepted without objection as an expert in forensic document examination."*
Expert Patricia J. Hale Testified in Courtroom remotely via zoom.