

For forensic document examiners and handwriting analysts who authenticate signatures and documents for estates, banks, and civil or criminal matters. Complete with ACORD 125. Attach a description of services, a sample client contract or engagement letter, resumes or credentials of key professionals, and five years of loss runs.

1 APPLICANT / BUSINESS INFORMATION

LEGAL BUSINESS NAME	DBA	FEIN	YEARS IN BUSINESS
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
BUSINESS ADDRESS	CITY / STATE / ZIP	WEBSITE	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

Entity type:
☐ Sole proprietor ☐ Partnership ☐ LLC ☐ Corporation ☐ Nonprofit

PRIMARY CONTACT / TITLE	PHONE	EMAIL
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

LICENSES / CERTIFICATIONS HELD	PROFESSIONAL STAFF / TOTAL EMPLOYEES
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

2 OPERATIONS

Services provided (check all that apply):
☐ Signature authentication ☐ Will / estate documents ☐ Bank / check fraud ☐ Anonymous letter authorship ☐ Ink / paper examination
☐ Alterations / indentations ☐ Expert testimony

EXAMINATIONS PER YEAR	CRIMINAL VS. CIVIL SPLIT (%)	ESTATE / WILL SHARE (%)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
LARGEST CLIENT (% OF REVENUE)	WORK OUTSIDE YOUR HOME STATE (%)	WORK SUBCONTRACTED (%)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

2-1 Do you perform graphology or personality profiling? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF YES, EXPLAIN

2-2 Is every engagement under a signed written contract or engagement letter? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

2-3 Do contracts limit your liability (e.g., to fees paid)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

3 EXPOSURE & RISK QUESTIONS — METHODOLOGY & QUALITY CONTROLS

NIST's human factors review warns that human error can call the reliability of handwriting examinations into question.

3-1 Are you board-certified by a recognized body (e.g., ABFDE)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

3-2 Do you follow published handwriting comparison standards (e.g., ASTM or ASB)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

3-3 Do you require original documents before giving a definitive opinion? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

3-4 Do you report conclusions on a defined scale of certainty? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

3-5 Does a second qualified examiner verify every identification? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

3-6 Do you use controls against contextual bias (e.g., sequential unmasking)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 IF NO, EXPLAIN

3-7 Do you take part in proficiency testing each year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF NO, EXPLAIN

3-8 Is every examination documented with photographs? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF NO, EXPLAIN

4 EXPOSURE & RISK QUESTIONS — ENGAGEMENT & EXPOSURE

A federal judge found handwriting opinions "far too problematic" under Rule 702 because the field lacks testing and standards.

4-1 Has a court excluded your testimony under Rule 702 or Daubert? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

4-2 Do you hold original documents in your custody? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

4-3 Are originals returned by tracked, insured delivery? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF NO, EXPLAIN

4-4 Do you verify signatures for banks? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

4-5 Do you authenticate wills or estate documents? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

4-6 Has a certification body or society received a complaint about you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

4-7 Does your engagement letter limit your opinion to the documents provided? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF NO, EXPLAIN

4-8 Do you give opinions on public figures' documents in the media? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

5 PAYROLL, SALES & REVENUE

ANNUAL REVENUE (\$)	LARGEST SINGLE CONTRACT (\$)	SUBCONTRACTOR COSTS (\$)	TOTAL ANNUAL PAYROLL (\$)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

6 PRIOR INSURANCE & LOSS HISTORY

CURRENT E&O CARRIER / LIMITS	DEDUCTIBLE / RETROACTIVE DATE	EXPIRATION DATE
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

DATE OF CLAIM	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL INCURRED (\$)	OPEN / CLOSED
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

6-1 Has a claim alleged a wrong forgery or authorship opinion? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

6-2 Has a client refused to pay or sued over fees in the past 5 years? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

6-3 Has any license, certification, or registration been suspended, disciplined, or investigated? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

6-4 Has any coverage been declined, cancelled, or non-renewed? ☐ Yes ☐ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

6-5 Is the applicant aware of any incident or circumstance that could give rise to a claim?

☐ Yes ☐ No

IF YES, EXPLAIN

7 RISK MANAGEMENT & SAFETY

7-1 Are client files and work papers retained for a set period under a written policy?

☐ Yes ☐ No

IF NO, EXPLAIN

7-2 Is multifactor authentication required for email and client data?

☐ Yes ☐ No

IF NO, EXPLAIN

7-3 Are originals stored in a locked, fire-rated cabinet?

☐ Yes ☐ No

IF NO, EXPLAIN

7-4 Is every document logged in and out?

☐ Yes ☐ No

IF NO, EXPLAIN

8 SIGNATURE & FRAUD WARNING

The undersigned declares that the statements and answers given in this supplemental are true, complete and correct to the best of their knowledge, and that no material fact has been withheld or misstated. The applicant agrees that this supplemental, together with all ACORD applications and attachments, forms the basis of any submission to insurers and may be relied upon by them. Signing this supplemental does not bind coverage. This supplemental is an intake document prepared by Cory Washington & Co. LLC to support carrier submission; it does not itself provide coverage.

FRAUD NOTICE: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading information concerning any fact material thereto, may be committing a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and may subject such person to criminal and civil penalties. State-specific fraud warnings appear on the insurer's application.

APPLICANT / AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (TYPE FULL NAME)

TITLE

DATE

PRODUCER — CORY WASHINGTON & CO. LLC

PRODUCER SIGNATURE (TYPE FULL NAME)

DATE