

Handwriting Analysis for Genealogy

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Uses of Handwriting Analysis for Genealogy

- Validating document was actually signed by correct person, e.g. probate
- Identity merging and separation
- Examination of person's personality

Handwriting Traits - Document Examination

Alignment	Arrangement	Connections
Initial Strokes	Pen Lifts	Pressure
Punctuation	Rhythm	Shading
Size	Slope	Terminal Strokes
Paper	Ink	

Handwriting Traits - Graphology

Baselines	Connections	Margins
Pressure	Rhythm	Size
Slant	Slope	Spacing
Speed	Zones	

Books - Document Examination

Kelly, Jan Seaman and Lindblom, Brian S., *Scientific Examination of Questioned Documents, 2nd Edition*, CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL, 2006

Morris, Ron, *Forensic Handwriting Identification*, Academic Press, 2000

Huber, Roy A. and Headrick, A.M., *Handwriting Identification: Facts and Fundamentals*, CRC Press, Boca Raton, 1999

Books - Graphology

Lowe, Sheila, *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Handwriting Analysis*, 2nd Edition, Alpha Press, Penguin Group, Indianapolis, 2007

McNichol, Andrea, *Handwriting Analysis: Putting It to Work for You*, McGraw Hill, New York, 1991

Amend, Karen Kristin and Ruiz, Mary Stansbury, *Hand Writing Analysis: The Complete Basic Book*, New Page Books, Franklin Lakes, NJ, 1980

Dresbold, Michelle, *Sex, Lies, and Handwriting: A Top Expert Reveals the Secrets Hidden in Your Handwriting*, Free Press, 2008

Software - Handwriting comparison (Document Examination)

CEDAR-FOX (PC, \$\$\$) - http://www.cedartech.com/products_cedarfox.html

MovAlyzeR (PC, \$\$\$) - <http://www.neuroscript.net/movalyzer.php>

Software - Graphology

Handwriting Analyst (PC & Mac, \$40) - www.haprogram.com

Sheila Lowe's Handwriting Analyzer (PC, Free Trial, \$125+) - www.handwritinganalysis.com

Handwriting Analysis by Jakub Koter (iOS, 2.5/5 stars, \$.99) - itunes.apple.com

Writing Defines U - Graphology by WsCubeTechApps (Android, 4/5 stars, free) - play.google.com

Signature Analyzer by ARMDDevelopers (Android, 3.5/5 stars, free) - play.google.com
Graphology by LH Apps (Android, 3/5 stars, free) - play.google.com

Organizations & Associations - Document Examination

American Society of Questioned Document Examiners - www.asqde.org/

American Board of Forensic Document Examiners - www.abfde.org

Organizations & Associations - Graphology

American Handwriting Analysis Foundation - www.ahafhandwriting.org/

AAHA - American Association of Handwriting Analysts - www.aahahandwriting.com

International Graphoanalysis Society - www.igas.com

American Society of Professional Graphologists - www.aspghandwriting.org