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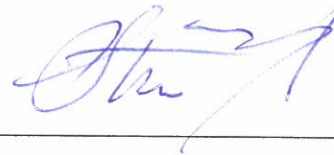
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CERTIFICATE OF EXAMINATION

March 1, 2018

I certify that I have personally examined a file of 60 numbered letters, some typed others in holograph. Thirty-five letters are signed "Mary Ellen", eleven letters not signed, eleven letters signed with initials, one signature blacked out, three letters signed in full and one signed possibly with a German word. It is my opinion that all letters signed either as "Mary Ellen", "ME" initials, or signed in full "Mary Ellen Johnson" are by the hand of Mary Ellen Johnson, an author. As expected there are slight variants of her signature. That is quite common due to her changing moods at the time while writing personal feelings. A copy of her known genuine signature from her 2012 tax form is used as an exemplar. Ten sample signatures from this file of letters are illustrated on the verso of this Certificate.



Stephen Koschal

Established 1967.

Member of all major trade organizations.

Author of over 260 published articles on the subject of autograph collecting.

Author of numerous published signature studies for every major trade magazine/journal.

Author of *Collecting Books & Pamphlets Signed by the Presidents of the United States*. (1982).

Co-Author *The History of Collecting Executive Mansion, White House & The White House Cards*. (2005)

Author of "Collecting Signatures of the Presidents of the United States on Baseballs".

Compiler & Publisher of *The American Antiquarian*. (1992).

Author of 11 educational books on the subject of autograph collecting.

Created & maintains what is believed to be the largest autograph reference libraries in the world.

Created the hobby's first autograph educational course: *Basic Autograph Collecting*.

Instructor of *Basic Autograph Collecting* educational course for the International Society of Appraisers.

Instructor of an autograph educational course at *Shepard Broad Law Center, Nova Southeastern University*.

Created 14 different autograph educational courses taught throughout the United States

Chosen autograph authenticator by Schiff Auctions, Official APS Stamp Show Auctioneers.

Sports Collectors Digest choice to teach an Autograph Educational Course during 2002 Retailers Conference.

Guest Appearances on numerous television and radio stations representing the autograph industry.

Co-founder of the original *International Autograph Collectors Club and Dealers Alliance*.

Recipient of the "1998 IACC/DA Presidents' Award".

Recipient of the "1997 Gold Coast Autograph Club President's Award".

First Place winner of the UACC "Sixth Annual H. Roger Phillips Memorial Award".

Participation with law enforcement agencies in sting operations resulting in the arrests and conviction of forgers.

Expert Witness representing the U.S. Government. Court Appearances resulted in convictions.

Voted by CompuServe "1994 Philographer of the Year".

Listed in the 1993 and 1994 editions of the *Guinness Book of Records*.

Listed and published in *Ripley's Believe It or Not*.

Stephen Koschal seeks to render a service in expressing his opinion based on information available at the time. He does not guarantee the accuracy of any opinion expressed regarding any item submitted for authentication. He assumes no responsibility whatsoever for any loss or damage allegedly sustained as a result of any opinion issued by him. In the event an item is damaged or lost, it is understood that Stephen Koschal will in no way be liable or held responsible for any loss or damage arising for any reason whatsoever. It is the buyer's responsibility to understand the terms of sale from the person they are purchasing autographs.

SCANNED NOV 19 2013

21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	20,344	23,055
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	5,360	0
		20,984	23,055

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here *Mary Ellen Johnson* Date *Oct 30, 2013*
 Signature of officer
 MARY ELLEN JOHNSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only
 Print/type preparer's name Preparer's signature Date Check ☐ if self-employed PTIN
 Firm's name ▶ Firm's EIN ▶
 Firm's address ▶ Phone no. ▶

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

2012 Tax Form

you do write nice letters.

Mary Ellen

Letter 1

Your friend.

Mary Ellen

Letter 5

Your friend,

Mary Ellen

Letter 7

*Your friend
Mary Ellen*

Letter 9

*Your friend,
Mary Ellen*

Letter 15

*Your friend,
Mary Ellen*

Letter 19

Mary Ellen

Letter 20

Mary Ellen Johnson

Letter 34

Mary Ellen Johnson

Mary 39 Daughter Letter 38 son ace,

Mary Ellen

Letter 57