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Seeking work in the editing/proofreading/writing fields.

## **EDUCATION:**

Bachelor's degree from Albany State University, magna cum laude. English major.

## **MY FAVORITE ASSIGNMENT:**

Edited (and wrote a lengthy introduction to) *Dr. Poggioli: Criminologist* (Crippen & Landru, 2004), a short-story collection by T.S. Stribling, a talented but largely forgotten Pulitzer Prize winner. (He won the Pulitzer for his 1932 novel, *The Store*.)

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF WORK HISTORY:**

**2010-Present:** Helping publishers and writers with my editing and proofreading skills. Main client is Dell Puzzle Magazines. Write a weekly consumerism column for the local daily newspaper. Have edited and proofread a few dozen books, mostly by writers who self-publish.

**1993-1999:** Did freelance proofreading; edited puzzles through the mail for Dell Puzzle Magazines; and created word-for-word transcripts of legal proceedings.

**1990-1992:** Edited non-fiction books for Avery Publishing. Worked with authors, artists, and typesetters to transform accepted manuscripts into finished books.

**1986-1990:** Worked as copy editor for national weekly newspapers *Electronic Buyers' News* and *Electronic Engineering Times*, at CMP Publications. Questioned reporters on details; polished articles; cut articles to fit spaces; double-checked accuracy of charts.

**1985-1986:** Worked as reporter and then as editor for small, community weekly newspapers such as *Floral Park Dispatch*. Wrote articles and headlines, selected press releases, edited (usually re-wrote) the releases, and oversaw all editorial layout.

Note: from 1999 to 2009 worked in the stock-trading industry.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Have sold my short stories to *Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine*, *Woman's World*, and *Mystery Weekly Magazine*.

Have sold non-fiction articles to *Mystery Scene* and *Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine*. Served as a judge in 2008, 2016, and 2018 for the annual Edgar awards presented by the Mystery Writers of America (of which I am a member).

Serve as a judge for an annual short-story writing contest.

Proofread half of the 1991 edition of the *Information Please Almanac*.

Member of Mensa.