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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, Journalism minor (back then, Albany State lacked a Journalism major).

MY FAVORITE ASSIGNMENTS:

Proofread the radio-script collection *The Adventure of the Murdered Moths and Other Radio Mysteries* by Ellery Queen (Crippen & Landru, 2005).

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 own editing and proofreading skills. Main client is Dell Puzzle Magazines. Also have written news articles and humorous columns for the local daily newspaper.

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.

1984-1985: Typeset editorial text and advertisements for newspapers and magazines. Note: from **1999 to 2009** worked in the stock-trading industry.

MISCELLANEOUS:

In September 2011, sold my first short story (to *Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine*). In July 2013 sold a mini-mystery to *Woman's World*.

Served as a judge in 2008, again in 2016, and again in 2018, for the annual Edgar awards presented by the Mystery Writers of America (of which I am a member).

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