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Thank you for your interest in my services. If you would like to know more about my experience, review the attached resume and visit my website, [A Writer's Words, An Editor's Eye](http://lillieammann.com), where you can learn more and read testimonials from some of my clients.

Consultation for Self-Publishing Authors

- Evaluate the different forms of publishing to determine if self-publishing is the best for you.
- Review the steps and services required to write and publish a book.
- Compare using a subsidy publishing company to doing everything yourself.
- If you choose to use a company, compare the services and costs of various companies.
- If you choose to do it yourself, recommend vendors for various services and serve as a liaison with the vendors.
- Advise on promotion, especially website and Internet marketing.
- Serve as a resource throughout the process to answer questions and assist in resolving problems.

Publishing

- Perform a complete content edit of the manuscript.
- Assist with obtaining ISBNs and registering copyright.
- Arrange for the formatting of the manuscript for publication.
- Negotiate and contract with a cover artist and book designer on your behalf.
- Proof the cover and completed layout.
- Negotiate and contract with a printer on your behalf or set up account with a POD printer.
- Coordinate the creation of ebook formats and upload to sales sites.
- Advise on basic promotion, including website and social media, and distribution.
- Serve as a liaison among all parties involved in the publication, distribution, and promotion of the book to ensure production of a quality product within an established timeframe.

Editing

- Edit documents of all kinds—from business letters to books—using Word's Track Changes.
- Perform at least three reads of the manuscript for the following kinds of edits (the first two may be done simultaneously):
 - ◆ Copy/line/mechanical edit (correct grammar, punctuation, mechanics; verify facts and ensure consistency; clarify meaning and improve readability).
 - ◆ Content/structural/substantive edit (revise/move text for better flow; recommend the addition or deletion of material; re-organize and re-structure content for flow and clarity).
 - ◆ Proofreading (final review of entire manuscript after all changes have been made, including those made by other readers, if applicable).
- Unless we have discussed using another style guide, I edit according to the Chicago Manual of Style.
- Provide a free sample edit for large projects (roughly ten pages of a book-length manuscript) to make certain I understand the kind and amount of editing you want.

- ◆ In addition to the pages to edit, you also need to complete a brief questionnaire giving additional information about the manuscript and include a synopsis or chapter summary.
- ◆ Based on the time required for the sample edit, the length of the complete manuscript, and your answers to a few questions, I can give you a quote for the total cost for the project.

Writing

- Write blog posts, articles, resumes, website content, and business documents, such as correspondence, proposals, manuals, and news releases. I generally do not write advertisements or SEO articles.
- You can e-mail me with your needs and information or tell me where to find the information I need.
- If you prefer, we can visit by phone to make sure I understand your needs.

Terms:

- The standard hourly rate for small projects is \$100/hour, with a two-hour minimum. I use a timer in the project management software ProWorkFlow to track time.
- Major projects, such as editing a book-length manuscript, will be billed at a project fee, determined in advance by the scope of work and a small sample. Large projects require a deposit of one-half of the total price upon acceptance of the proposal; the final half of the total is due upon completion.
- A rush charge is added when the client does not allow enough lead time for the job. Client will be notified in advance if the rush charge applies.
- A cancellation fee may apply if a contracted project is cancelled or delayed after we have set aside the time.
- Payment may be made by check, PayPal, Venmo, or CashApp.
- I am completely responsible for all work done on my behalf; however, I may not do all the work. I may subcontract part of the project (such as one round of edits) to an associate or coordinate with other vendors to provide specific services. I will review the final product, and I am responsible for the work subcontractors perform on my behalf.
- We maintain strict confidentiality of all your information.
- If we provide original content for hire, the copyright to your documents is transferred to you as soon as the final payment is made.

I am usually in my office in the afternoon (Central time) and typically respond to e-mails and phone calls within twenty-four hours.

I look forward to hearing from you.



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Resume

Summary of Qualifications

- Proficient in writing and editing for a wide variety of clients; skilled in helping authors with all phases of the publishing process
- Outstanding administrative and computer skills (MS Office; Adobe Acrobat, InDesign; WordPress; more)
- Effective team player with skill in coordinating individual efforts into a cohesive whole
- Fast, efficient, flexible, and capable of working under tight deadlines
- Experienced in business management, with a strong customer service focus
- Exceptional organizational talent and communication skills; strong commitment to excellence

Professional Experience

- Writer, editor, consultant, blogger**, San Antonio, Texas 1996 to present
- Assist authors with independent publishing; coordinate all aspects of project
 - Edit, proofread, and critique manuscripts for writers (See “Publications”)
 - Serve as content editor; copy-edit articles for Simply Pets Magazine and other publications
 - Write books and articles for publication (See “Publications”)
 - Write articles, blogs, and books for individuals, businesses, and organizations
 - Write and edit business correspondence, manuals, and other documents
 - Write and publish blog—A Writer’s Words, An Editor’s Eye—on website and link to social media sites
- Business Manager**, Lil Country Store, Dilley, Texas 2013 to 2015
- Maintained records, handled purchasing and advertising, and made management decisions with partner
 - Told stories at store events; wrote monthly column, “Country Tales,” in local newspaper
- Publisher and Editor-in-Chief**, Our Mail Network LLC, San Antonio, Texas 2001 to 2009
- Managed publishing house; developed policies; found, screened, and contracted writers and editors for projects
 - Wrote short how-to ebooks; edited and formatted ebooks for online distribution
 - Designed and maintained website
- President**, Lillie’s Interior Landscapes, Inc., San Antonio, Texas 1980 to 1996
- Established, managed, and built company to 300 business clients and annual revenues of a half million dollars
 - Developed business plan and strategies, employee policies, and training program
 - Hired, trained, and supervised up to 18 employees
 - Designed interior landscapes and conducted sales and marketing
 - Recognized as Charter Certified Interior Horticulturist (among the first 50 certifications nationally)
 - Acquired other plantscape companies and eventually sold to Tru-Green Chem-Lawn

Education

- Bachelor of Arts Magna Cum Laude, major: sociology, minor: psychology 1968
- Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas

Professional Memberships and Honors

- San Antonio Writers Guild—past president /board member, creator/webmaster of first website
- Recipient of the Patricia Lucas White Service Award (for outstanding service to the Electronically Published Industry Coalition—EPIC) 2012; Creator of New Voices Writing Competition, Chair 2005–2007, Judge 2008–2018; EPIC Ebook Competition, Judge 2000–2018; Co-Coordinator Ebook Extravaganza 2002
- Who’s Who in America and numerous other Who’s Who editions

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Publications

Books and How-to-Guides Written (*designed the interior of the book; ** created the cover and designed the interior):

- **[*God Orchestrates History for Our Salvation: Advent and Christmas Devotionals*](#). Lillie's Lovely Little Publishing Company, 2022. Devotional book.
- **Ten devotional books for Advent and Lent between Advent 2017 and Lent 2020.
- [*Finding God in the Everyday*](#). Armonia Publishing Co., 2017. Devotional book.
- *[*Jack Stories: Favorite Memories of Jack Jordan Ammann Jr.*](#) Lillie's Lovely Little Publishing Company, 2013. Nonfiction.
- **[*Creating Fictional Characters*](#). Self-published, 2011. Nonfiction.
- *[*Dream or Destiny*](#). GASLight Publishing, 2008. Romantic mystery novel.
- **[*Fern's Fancies*](#). Self-published, 2009. Romance novel.
- *[*Stroke of Luck*](#). GASLight Publishing, 2004 (previously: Awe-Struck E-Books, 1999) Romance novel.
- **[*Preserving Memories: How to Write a Family History*](#). Self-published, 2010 (prev: Our Mail Network, 2005). Nonfiction.
- **[*What Do Traditional Anglicans Believe?*](#) All Saints Anglican Church, 2010 (prev: Our Mail Network 2003). Nonfiction.
- **[*Finding the Information You Need*](#). Self-published, 2010 (previously: Our Mail Network, LLC, 2002). Nonfiction.
- **[*The Secrets of Fantastic Houseplants*](#). Self-published, 2010 (previously: Our Mail Network, LLC, 2002). Nonfiction.
- **[*Editing Primer*](#). Self-published online, 2009. Nonfiction.
- **[*Trapped by Love: A Novelette*](#). Self-published, 2009. Romance novelette.
- **[*Self-Publishing Primer*](#). Self-published online, 2007. Nonfiction.
- [*How to Get Started in Network Marketing from Home*](#). Intelletua.com, 2001. Nonfiction e-book.
- *[*Look Beyond Tomorrow: The Carola Spencer Story*](#). Lillie's Lovely Little Publishing Company, 1998. Nonfiction.
- [*Lillie's Lovely Little Gardening Book*](#). San Antonio: privately published, 1976. Indoor plant care booklet.

Published Books Edited (*also designed the interior of the book; **also created the cover and designed the interior):

- [*Our Story with God*](#). Magdalena Dodds. Spring of Hope Foundation, Inc. 2022
- [*People Connectors: Elevating Communication for Educators*](#). Terry L. Sumerlin. SE Publishing, 2022.
- [*The Ripper's Children: Inside the World of Modern Serial Killers*](#). Raymond Cornell & Ilene W. Devlin. Bowker, 2021.
- [*Viviendo En Una Caja de Cristal: Experiencias de una maestra en el México rural de los años 50*](#). Maria Socorro Martinez. MSM Publications, 2021.
- [*Living in a Crystal Box: Experiences of a Teacher in Rural Mexico in the 1950s*](#). Maria Socorro Martinez. MSM Publications, 2021.
- [*Truth and Fiction*](#). Ilene W. Devlin. Ilene W. Devlin, 2021.
- [*Running Silently*](#). Betsy Waterman with Gary Waterman. Simply Pets Lifestyle, 2020. (contract with publisher)
- [*Emma's World: A World War II Memoir*](#). Ilene W. Devlin. Ilene W. Devlin, 2020.
- [*Cherry Tree Dares: Essays on Childhood*](#). Ilene W. Devlin. Ilene W. Devlin, 2020.
- [*Lisa and the Pet Detectives and Their Camping Adventure*](#). Lisa Smith Putnam. Simply Pets Lifestyle, 2020. (contract with publisher)
- [*Mercury & Sirius*](#). Debbie Garcia-Bengochea. Simply Pets Lifestyle, 2019. (contract with publisher)
- [*Spirit of Gonzales*](#). Betsy Wagner. Mary E. Wagner, 2019.
- *[*Social Workers Guidelines: Social Worker Edition*](#). Valda L. Haywood. CreateSpace, 2019.
- [*A Pause to Refresh: Devotional*](#). Ben Ferguson. CreateSpace, 2018.
- [*Ur1+My1=Our1*](#). Nakeisha K. Iheanacho and Eze L. Iheanacho. E&K Dreams, 2018.
- [*Texas Wept: A Tale of Love, Hate, and Courage*](#). William E Maxwell. CreateSpace, 2018.
- [*A Line in the Water*](#). H. Rick Goff. Cedric D. Fisher & Company Publishing, 2018.
- [*Time Flies: Memories of One of the Last Veterans of World War II*](#). Raymond F. Schaaf. CreateSpace, 2018.
- *[*Success Secrets for Social Workers: Supervisor's Edition*](#). Valda L. Haywood. CreateSpace, 2018.
- [*Healer's Heart: A Family Physician's Stories of the Heart and Art of Medicine*](#). Pamela Camosy. CreateSpace, 2017.

- [*Song of the Shepherd Woman*](#). Carlene Havel and Sharon Fauchoux. Chavel Books LLC, 2017.
- [*Christian Leadership: 50 Stories that Connect Faith and Everyday Life*](#). Terry L. Sumerlin. SE Publishing, 2017.
- [*Gambling with God: From Gambling Bartender to Born Again Christian*](#). Tom Covino. Gambling with God Publishing, 2017.
- [*Once Upon a Tee: A Golf Story*](#). William Willis. William Willis Books, 2017.
- ** [*Baba's Kitchen*](#). Family cookbook, compiled by Dawn Rakich, 2015.
- [*No...Not Again!*](#) Edith Eveon Brown. CreateSpace, 2015.
- [*Limitless*](#). Pablo De Leon. Pablo De Leon Enterprise, 2015.
- [*George's Rendezvous with Destiny*](#). George Vakey. CreateSpace, 2014.
- [*Sumo Skills: Instructional Guide for Competitive Sumo*](#). Thomas Zabel. Ozumo Academy Publishing, 2014.
- [*Doing It Right*](#). Greg Drew. CreateSpace, 2013.
- [*God, I've Got A Problem*](#). Ben Ferguson. Ben Ferguson, 2013.
- [*Message in a Word 2: Inspired Succinct Sermons Uniquely Expressed*](#). Margaret Blincoe. Message in a Word Enterprises, LLC, 2013.
- [*Base Jumping: The Vagabond Life of a Military Brat*](#). William Willis. William Willis Books, 2013.
- [*Scamper Tangles with Christmas*](#). Patricia Eytcheson Taylor. Catch-A-Winner Publishing, 2012.
- [*The Social Media Action Plan*](#). Ajay Tejwani. CreateSpace, 2012.
- [*Children of the Revolution: Book 3 in the Westward Sagas*](#). David Bowles. Plum Creek Press, Inc., 2012 (finalist for Adult Fiction for 2013 North Texas Book Festival).
- * [*I Always Sit with My Back to the Wall: Managing Traumatic Stress and Combat PTSD Through The R-E-C-O-V-E-R Approach for Veterans and Families*](#). Dr. Harry A. Croft, M.D. & Rev. Dr. Chrys L. Parker, J.D. Stillpoint Media, 2011.
- [*A Human Becoming*](#). Terry L. Sumerlin. SE Publishing Company, 2011.
- [*Leadership: It Takes More Than a Great Haircut*](#). Terry L. Sumerlin. SE Publishing, 2011.
- [*Scamper's HideAway*](#). Patricia Eytcheson Taylor. Catch-A-Winner Publishing, 2010.
- ** [*Help! What Do I Do Now? Caring for Your Loved One with Alzheimer's*](#). Nancy Nicholson. Lillie's Lovely Little Publishing Company, 2010 (EBook edition category finalist in Global Ebook Awards 2011).
- * [*Hide and Seek with Scamper*](#). Patricia Eytcheson Taylor. Catch-A-Winner Publishing, 2010.
- * [*The Rewritten Word: How to Sculpt Literary Art No Matter the Genre*](#). Aggie Villanueva. Cielo Rojos Publishing, 2010 (EBook edition category finalist in Global Ebook Awards 2011).
- * [*Message in a Word: Inspired Succinct Sermons Uniquely Expressed*](#). Margaret Blincoe. Message in a Word Enterprises, LLC, 2010.
- * [*Scamper With the Peanut Butter Feet*](#). Patricia Eytcheson Taylor. Catch-A-Winner Publishing, 2010.
- ** [*My Life Story: Adventures of the Great Dane*](#). Borge Hansen. CreateSpace, 2010.
- [*Journal: Intimate Writings of a Relationship with God*](#). Aundrea Hernandez. One Ordinary Believer, 2009.
- * [*Adam's Daughters: Book 2 in the Westward Sagas*](#). David Bowles. Plum Creek Press, Inc., 2009 (2010 Finalist in the Historical Fiction category, International Book Awards).
- * [*Re-Deal: A Time-Travel Thriller*](#). Richard Turner. Showdown Creations, Inc. 2009.
- * [*Some Monument to Last: Memoir of TV Journalist James Muñoz with Family Poems and Letters*](#). James Michael Doughty. Doughty Enterprises, 2008.
- [*God, Wood Smoke, and Spark Plugs*](#). Kenniston Lord. Lulu.com, 2008.
- [*Uncle Big Bud*](#). James E. Williams. HenryRetta, 2008.
- [*On the Wings of the Wind: A Journey to Faith*](#). Patricia Eytcheson Taylor & James C. Taylor. Langmarc Pub, 2007.
- [*As Shadows Fall: People of the Frozen Earth Book 2*](#). Grace Anne Schaefer. GASLight Publishing, 2007.
- [*The Last Boat Out: Memoirs of a Triumphant Vietnamese-American Family*](#). Truong Nhu Dinh & Tran Thi Truong Nga, translated by Truong Nhu Kenny & Ton-Nu Phuong-Thao. GASLight Publishing, LLC, 2006 (Winner in General Nonfiction in EPPIE 2007).
- [*Spring House: Book 1 in the Westward Sagas*](#). David Bowles. Plum Creek Press, 2006 (Finalist in the 2007 Indie Excellence Awards).
- [*Patchwork Trail*](#). Janet Kaderli. GASLight Publishing, 2005.
- [*Wealth Untangled*](#), by Rob Turner. Trober-X, Australia, 2004.
- [*The New Day Dawns: People of the Frozen Earth Book 1*](#). Grace Anne Schaefer. GASLight Publishing, LLC, 2004 (Finalist in the North Texas Book Festival Award in general trade book category).
- [*The Joy of Six*](#). Charlene Potterbaum. Page-Free Publishing, 2002.
- 12 novels in a variety of genres. Awe-Struck E-Books, 2000-2001.
- [*A Bouquet of Recipes from the Diocese of the Southwest, ACA*](#). Jumbo Jack's Cookbooks, 1998.