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Dear Mrs Dickson,

Thank you for your prompt settlement and I enclose the receipted invoice.

When a signature or writing is copied it resembles the writing of which it is a copy rather than that of the copier. At this stage there is some doubt that the cheque for £100 was written or signed by Julie Fuller and that the cheque for £200 was written or signed by your late husband.

However, this is only a suspicion because I have only seen a limited amount of their writing and cannot rule out the possibility that the cheques are variations of their writing examples of which I have not seen. For me to reach a firm opinion on whether or not the two cheques were written by Julie Fuller or your late husband I would need to see a large amount of Julie Fuller's writing and signatures dating from the time the cheques were written and at least 20 "course of business" signatures of your late husband.

The main body of writing on the cheques does not match the writing of Mr Capper or Mr Laurie so it is unlikely that the cheques were written out by them but, of course, this does not rule them out as copiers of the signatures.

I am concerned that, due to the nature of your allegations, a very high degree of proof may be required by the court. Before I incur any extra costs for you by preparing a Report on the handwriting I think you need legal advice on the exact instructions I should be given.

Yours sincerely,

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