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# **Private Investigation 101**





## Synopsis

The guide for becoming a private investigator. This book is intended for the novice who wants to become a private investigator as well as for former law enforcement, former military intelligence, security personnel, paralegals, legal professionals, or other individuals. Learn how to obtain a license, how to set up a private investigation agency, how to market your services, how to find information, types of investigative cases, contracts and report writing, and much more.

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Norma Mott Tillman draws upon more than twenty-five years of professional experience and expertise in writing Private Investigation 101. Her purpose is to provide a comprehensive guide for career searchers, legal professionals, law-enforcement officers, criminal justice students, and novice private investigators in the techniques of finding missing persons. In the course of doing so, she also provides invaluable insights into the realities of being a private investigator which is substantially different from what people see in the movies or on television -- or read about in detective novels. Tillman explains the essentials for becoming a licensed investigator, including how to start a private investigation agency, write contracts and reports, the various and different types of investigations (background, asset searches, criminal defense, insurance claims, missing persons, divorce and child custody, worker's compensation, medical malpractice); using and finding information sources ranging from professional databases and public records, to internet sources; interviewing techniques; understanding state laws and licensing requirements; and the value in joining professional organizations. Packed from cover to cover with resources, insider tips,

illuminating insights, and answers to questions common to the process of becoming a licensed investigator, Private Investigations is the perfect introduction and instruction manual for anyone who aspires to a career in this diverse field. Also very highly recommended are Norma Tillman's previous books: How To Find Almost Anyone Anywhere (Rutledge Hill); The Man With The Turquoise Eyes And Other True Stories Of A Private Eye's Search For Missing Persons (Rutledge Hills; and The Adoption Searcher's Handbook (UFO, Inc.)

Reviewed by William E. Cooper for Reader Views (7/06)Let me start by stating Norma Tillman is an experienced and successful Private Investigator, and is a truly credible source of legitimate and reliable information not only for anyone aspiring to the field, but for those who simply want a great book to read. Ms. Tillman takes us through each step of becoming a private investigator (and provides the specifics for each state), and discusses why the work is both interesting and rewarding. She is meticulous in providing detailed information regarding the various types of investigations, how to get started, what is involved in managing the business, and resources available. As the now retired Chief of Police of a city near Seattle, I worked with and around private investigators many times in my career. I found them to be hard working, honorable people doing a good job. Ms. Tillman gives us some of her experiences - "war stories" - that are real, but at the same time entertain the reader and show some of the realities of the work. I might also note that in addition to being a great Private Investigator, Ms. Tillman is a great author. The book is a classic text for the business, and is well written and articulate. I will find myself waiting for Ms. Tillman's next book. Well done on this one. Received book free of charge.

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