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As an independent copy editor and proofreader, I care about the quality, clarity, and professionalism of your written communications. Hiring MS Edits will allow my 25 years of experience as an editor, executive assistant, research assistant, author, blogger, and publisher to support your efforts.

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I can copyedit and proofread online or on paper, following the style manual of your choice (Chicago, AP, APA, Yahoo!, or MLA) and in-house style guides.

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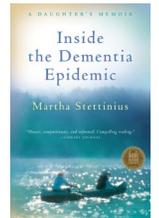
Education:

MA, English Education,
Teachers College,
Columbia University
BA, History, Wells College,
summa cum laude
Poynter ACES Certificate
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We live in an age of distractions and stiff competition. More than ever, your written materials need active prose that will engage your readers. Without the typos, grammatical blunders, and other errors that diminish the effectiveness of your writing, your message will ring clear and true.

As the indie publisher of my own best-selling book of nonfiction (insidedementia.com), I am sensitive to what it feels like to be on the receiving end of editing. I



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