Two experienced polygraph instructors of international renown have published a manual with instructions on conducting the pre-test interview. Contrary to what the name may suggest, the pre-test interview preceding of the polygraph examination proper is a difficult procedure that requires skill as well as personal predispositions on the one hand, as on the other it is exceptionally important and often decisive for the success of the entire examination or its lack. Motivation of the subject certainly comes to the fore among the purposes whose attainments such an interview serves. If the subject is not properly motivated to the examination and/or is not convinced that the examination can actually prove whether he is a deceptive (DI) or non-deceptive (NDI) individual, the polygraph examination can hardly succeed.

The manual is extremely useful for all polygraph examiners, especially inexperienced. It can also be successfully used for training purposes.

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