

PREFERRED GRADING & AUTOGRAPH AUTHENTICATORS

The following companies are considered to be reputable, trusted sports cards and sport memorabilia grading and autograph/signature authentication services. These companies are recognized throughout the hobby and industry as the market leaders. Proxibid approves other authenticators outside of this list, but these are the preferred authenticators for Sports Cards and Sports Memorabilia.

Autographs:

- [Beckett Grading Service \(BGS\)](#)
- [James Spence Authentication](#)
- [Professional Sports Authenticators \(PSA/DNA\)](#)

Pre-certified Autograph Companies:

- [All Authentic Sports Memorabilia](#)
- [Fanatics Authentic](#)
- [Mounted Memories](#)
- [Onyx Authenticated](#)
- [Panini Authentic](#)
- [Steiner Sports](#)
- [TriStar Productions, Inc.](#)
- [Upper Deck Sports](#)

Trading Cards:

- [Beckett Grading Service](#)
- [Professional Sports Authenticators \(PSA/DNA\)](#)
- [Sportscards Guaranty Corporation \(SGC\)](#)

Comics:

- [CGC](#)

Jewelry:

- [International Gemological Institute \(IGI\)](#)

Political Memorabilia:

- [American Political Items Collectors \(APIC\)](#)

Stamps:

- [American Philatelic Expertizing Service \(APEX\)](#)
- [Philatelic Foundation \(PF\)](#)
- [Professional Stamp Experts \(PSE\)](#)

Coin Grading:

Coin and paper currency listings over a value of \$2,500 must be graded by an approved grading company and you must provide documentation. Sellers cannot act as their own authenticator. Proxibid only considers the following approved grading companies:

- [Numismatic Guaranty Corporation \(NGC\)](#)
- [Professional Coin Grading Service \(PCGS\)](#)
- [American Numismatic Association Certification Service \(ANACS\)](#)
- [Independent Coin Graders \(ICG\)](#)
- [Paper Money Guaranty \(PMG\) – New](#)

Coins and paper currency valued under \$2,500 that is ungraded or graded by a non-approved grading company can be listed, but the numeric grade can't be included in the title, description, or item specifics. You can include an image of the coin in its graded holder even if that image shows a numeric grade on the holder.

BANNED AUTHENTICATORS ON PROXIBID

Any autographed item with a certificate of authenticity (COA) or letter of authenticity (LOA) from the following companies, organizations, or individuals have been banned from being listed and sold on Proxibid. Any items found with a COA or LOA from these companies, organizations or individuals will be removed from the site. Proxibid also reserves the right to remove a lot from its site if they find that the authenticator is not reputable.

- Any company, organization, or individual listed on the FBI's [Operation Bullpen website](#)
- Autograph Certification Experts (ACE)
- Cash For Collectibles
- Christopher L Morales
- Coach's Corner Sports Auctions LLC
- CSC Collectibles
- Donald Frangipani
- Forensic Document Services
- Global Authentics, Inc.
- Greg Marino
- Hollywood Dreams
- J. DiMaggio Co. / J. DiMaggio Company
- Legends Sports Memorabilia
- MFP / My Favorite Player
- Nathan's Autographs / N.E. Autographs
- Nicholas Burczyk
- Pro Sports / Pro Sports Memorabilia
- Rare and Signed.com
- Robert Prouty
- R.R.'s Sports Cards & Collectibles
- SCAA / Front Page Art / Angelo Marino
- Slam dunk Sports cards & Memorabilia
- Sports Alley Memorabilia
- Sports Management Group
- Stan's Sports / Stans Sports Memorabilia
- TTA Authentic (formerly STAT Authentic)
- Universal Memorabilia
- XMI Authenticators
- USA Authentics
- 640 Sports / YCM Sports Memorabilia
- GFA (Guaranteed Forensic Authenticators)

AUTOGRAPHED MEMORABILIA:

- All Autographed Memorabilia listed on Proxibid must have a Certificate of Authenticity (COA), Letter of Authenticity (LOA), or Verifiable Hologram from one of the approved authenticators or an authenticator not on the Banned Authenticators List
- A clear photo of the COA, LOA, or Hologram must be included in the lot

PROHIBITED LISTING PRACTICES ON PROXIBID FOR AUTOGRAPHED MEMORABILIA:

- Listing an item with a COA/LOA or Hologram without having it pictured in the listing
- Listing autographs with no COA/LOA or Hologram
- Listing a COA/LOA or Hologram that has a serial/identifying code or number that is blurred or removed
- Listing items with a stand-alone COA/LOA, Hologram or COA/LOA's, Holograms with no company listed.
- Sellers acting as their own authenticator (including listing an Estimated Value in the lot title or description)

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INDIVIDUAL TRADING CARDS:

- Individual Trading Card listings must include photos of both the front and back of the card
- Individual Trading Card listings that include a Grade in the title, description or item specifics must be graded by one of the approved grading companies and included in the photos
- The Estimated value or Grade of a baseball card cannot not be included in the description, title or item specifics if it hasn't been graded by one of the preferred grading companies on Proxibid's list and the Estimated Value or Grade must be from the same company that graded the item
- A grade cannot be listed in the lot description or title unless the card has been graded by one of the preferred grading companies on Proxibid's list
- A Trading Card graded by a non-approved grading company can be listed, but the grade and/or estimated value can't be included in the title, description or item specifics