

Affidavit of Rumpelstiltskin

1 My name is Rumpelstiltskin. I am 1,525 years old. I have a business, and I am my own
2 boss. I can do something nobody else can do: I can turn straw into gold. However, I am
3 very lonely. I have lived many years with no family and only a few friends. Because I can
4 turn straw into gold, many people ask for my help, but what can they pay me with? Gold?
5 I do not need gold! So I always ask for a different kind of payment. I always try to be fair
6 and reasonable.

7 I met Anne Miller when she scammed me¹ last summer. The King had wanted to meet me
8 (kings always want to meet me), so I had gone to see him. When I was there, I heard a man
9 tell the King his daughter could turn straw into gold and the man brought his daughter to
10 prove it. I had never known a person who could do what I can do, so I wanted to meet her!
11 However, soon I heard somebody crying from one of the King's rooms. I asked her what was
12 wrong. She told me the King was going to kill her father for lying if she could not turn straw
13 into gold. I felt very bad for this woman, so I offered to help her if she gave me her ring.