

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

BUREAU OF FORENSIC SERVICES

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE BULLETIN



SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE - QUESTIONED DOCUMENT SECTION

All examinations pertaining to questioned document problems and/or the authenticity of documents should be submitted to the Questioned Document Section.

TYPES OF EXAMINATIONS PERFORMED:

- 1. Handwriting (Signatures, handwriting, hand printing or numbers).
- 2. Mechanical Impressions (Typewritten or computer printed documents, typewriter ribbons, check protector impressions, adding machine tapes or rubberstamps).
- 3. Ink examinations.
- 4. ESDA (Visualize or restore indented impressions in paper).
- 5. Alterations/Obliterations/Restoration (Erasures, charred, water soaked or faded documents, and sequence of writings).
- 6. Papers (Torn paper matches, torn paper reconstruction, watermarks, folds, tapes and adhesives or staple holes).
- 7. Computer generated documents.

SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE:

Whenever possible, <u>original evidence</u> should be submitted, along with a completed Physical Evidence Submission Form, attached to the outside of all <u>evidence packaging</u> that is <u>taped sealed</u>. In the event a Physical Evidence Submission Form is not available, a cover letter containing the following information should be provided:

- 1. Submitting Agency and Agency Case #.
- 2. County of Prosecution and any other Related Agency(s).
- 3. Investigating Officer's name, telephone and Fax #.
- 4. Offense and Date of Incident
- 5. Subject(s) by type (Suspect, Victim, Other, Officer) last/first name/middle initial, CDL #, DOB and CII #, if known.
- 6. Case Security (Routine, Agency Only, Agent Only).

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