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Purpose:

To determine, whether similar/same paper types were used on questioned and known documents.

A. Responsibility: Assigned section staff

B. Procedure:

1. Materials

Subject documents.

Optical Enhancement devices as deemed necessary.

Back lighting devices.

Appropriate Documentation Equipment (Camera/Scanner/Photocopier).

Electrostatic Detection Apparatus (ESDA)

2. Method

Instrumental analysis to detect watermarks or any transient defects that would identify or eliminate documents as having similar watermark symbols

C. Sources of Error: Not applicable

D. References: See Bibliography/Reference Materials