



U.S. Secret Service Forensic Services

The Secret Service is home to an advanced forensics laboratory supporting the protective and investigative missions. The lab is ISO/IEC 17025 accredited by the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board (ANAB) for Latent Print and Questioned Document Examination, which includes the world's largest ink library and the Forensic Information System for Handwriting (FISH).

The Secret Service also provides polygraph examinations conducted by federally certified polygraph examiners in support of a variety of criminal investigative case types including USSS core violations and those related to the mission of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.



The Secret Service offers forensic and investigative assistance in support of any investigations involving missing or exploited children, including direct support for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The Secret Service deploys a unique blend of technologies and expertise in forensic and documentary photography, graphic and web design, geospatial imaging, video/multimedia production, forensic audio/image enhancement, forensic speaker recognition, as well as three-dimensional (3D) LiDAR data collection, modeling, animation and simulation.

TOUR REQUESTS

The Forensic Services Division (FSD) is happy to accommodate tour requests for USSS employees, their family, law enforcement counterparts, and student groups. Please review the tour request guidance on the FSD Intranet site or email a request to FSDtours@uss.s.dhs.gov.

Fingerprint Operations Branch

- Detect latent prints, which includes fingerprints, palm prints, and footprints, on all types of surfaces using cutting edge equipment, chemicals, and powders
- Compare latent prints to the prints of known individuals, latent prints to latent prints to connect crimes, and known prints to known prints when identity is in question
- Conduct Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) searches of fingerprints and palm prints through national and local databases, which leads to the identification of individuals previously unknown to case investigators
- Manage the USSS Live-Scan system, which electronically captures, transmits, and stores fingerprints, palm prints, mug shots, and biographical information

- DNA collections and testing for national database search. Collection from evidence items such as skimmers, credit cards and electronics

Contact FOB for guidance on submitting evidence or any other questions:

202-406-5185

For Live-Scan support:

livescan@ssnet.uss.s.dhs.gov

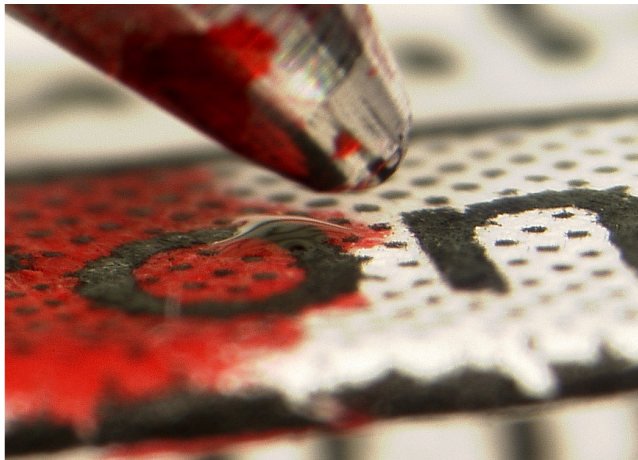
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Questioned Documents Branch

- Handwriting and indentation examinations on all types of documents to determine authorship
- Handwriting searches in electronic databases such as the Forensic Information System for Handwriting (FISH)
- Document authentication examinations to determine if the item is genuine, fraudulent or altered
- Examine inks from pens and printers to determine the chemical makeup
- Identify and compare inks using the USSS International Ink Library, which is the largest ink library in the world
- **DNA collections and testing for national database search. Collection from evidence such as threat letters, envelopes, credit cards and false ID documents**

Contact QDB for guidance on collecting handwriting exemplars or any other questions: 202-406-5551



Visual Information Branch

- Forensic photography, crime scene assist, aerial and site survey photography
- Video and Audio Enhancement for Investigations
- Speaker Identification
- Crime Scene Video & LIDAR Scanning Support
- Composite sketches, production of crime scene diagrams and courtroom evidence preparation

Contact VIB for guidance on submitting evidence or any other questions: 202-406-5158

