

ISP AFIS STANDARDS

Differences in language are highlighted:

1989: “TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS: All latent print evidence cannot be AFIS processed. In order to be considered for AFIS processing, the case must contain at least one latent print impression that meets the following technical requirements:” *AFIS Case Preparation and Submission Guidelines for Agencies with Latent Print Examiners* Adopted May 1989:

2006: “TECHNICAL CASE REQUIREMENTS: All latent print evidence cannot be AFIS processed. In order to be considered for AFIS processing, the case must contain at least one latent print impression that meets the following technical requirements; however, an examiner can use his/her discretion when evaluating the overall quality of the latent print (i.e., ability to locate the core/axis, the quality and quantity of minutiae, etc.) to determine whether or not to search it in AFIS.” *Illinois State Latent Prints Procedures Manual Minimum AFIS Standards and Controls* Adopted May 1, 2006:

1989: “A. Finger/Thumb: Latent print impressions must be from the first joint of the finger or thumb before AFIS processing can be considered. Second and third finger joints and palm impressions cannot be processed in AFIS.”

2006: “a. Finger. Latent print impressions must be from the first joint of the finger or thumb before AFIS processing can be considered. Second and third finger joints and palm impressions cannot be processed in AFIS.”

1989: “B. Minutiae Area: The latent print minutiae area must be located within a 1 1/8” width and a 1” height centering on the core of the inked impression. Latent prints consisting of minutiae from the side of the digit or extreme tip will not be processed in AFIS.”

[Kevin Howarth acknowledged on 1/28/009 that the latent print from the Findley Bridge was not from the side or extreme tip of the finger].

2006: “b. Minutiae Area. The latent print minutiae area should be located within a 1 1/8” width and a 1” height centering on the core of the inked impression.

1989: “C. Minutiae Number: Only latent prints containing a minimum of eight AFIS minutiae (points) located in the above-described digit area will be considered for AFIS processing. AFIS cannot process latent prints containing less than eight AFIS minutiae with any degree of success. Latent prints of poor quality, wherein the minimum number of AFIS minutiae are questionable or unclear, will not be processed in AFIS.”

2006: “c. Minutiae Number. Routinely, only latent prints containing a minimum of eight AFIS minutiae (points) located in the above described digit area should be considered for AFIS processing; however, an examiner can use his/her judgment in determining whether or not to search a latent print in AFIS that contains fewer than eight minutiae.”