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QUESTIONED DOCUMENT REPORT - Preliminary

Date: March 28, 2003

Request: Questioned document examination and comparison

Questioned document (Q): Copy of a Flex-Team business card bearing hand printing on the reverse, "Joe W. 890-8941" and marked State's Exhibit 55.

Known documents (K): K-1 Original handwriting/printing presented to me as known/genuine handwriting of Joe Wilkes.

K-2 Copies of apparent known writing of Rose M. Mohr contained on a Lawrence Police Department statement dated October 29, 1999 and signed on both pages, "Rose M. Mohr".

Opinion:

1. The questioned document (Q) contains very limited text, i.e. four letters, seven numerals and one hyphen (see Exhibit B),
2. The hand printing contained in K-1 is not similar to the Q document text (see Exhibit C),
3. The hand printing contained in K-1 is more angular than the Q document and the skill of the writer does not appear to rise to the skill level of the Q writer,
4. There are insufficient characteristics in the K-2 text to identify or eliminate this writer as the potential author of the questioned document (see Exhibit A),
5. The overall style of the printing in K-2 is more similar to the Q document than the K-1 text. For example, I refer the reader to the number "5" on the second line of K-2 and to the capital "J" in Q. The outward bowl projecting to the right on the "5" and "J" are pictorially similar,
6. However, it must be noted there are differences between K-2 and Q that have not been qualified,
7. In order to better identify, or eliminate, K-2 as the possible author of the questioned document, additional exemplars obtained from Rose Mohr (both solicited and unsolicited documents) would be helpful in this pursuit,
8. I suggest this report be submitted to Ohio BCI & I document examiners to see if they agree with my conclusions. If they do, perhaps Ohio BCI & I could complete this examination since there may be criminal intent in the execution of the questioned document,
9. This preliminary report is investigative and not accusatory.

Respectfully,

Michael L. Robertson

Attachments: Photograph containing Exhibits A, B and C

EXHIBIT A

KNOWN PRINTING - Rose M. Mohr

This exemplar is from a Lawrence Twp. Police Dept. statement dated October 29, 1999.

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I have lived with
5 ~~parolee~~ months. H
of my children. I
last night ~~a~~with
alcohol. This mor

Joe Wilkes
890-8941

EXHIBIT B

QUESTIONED DOCUMENT

Text appears on reverse of a Flex-Team business card and marked State's Exhibit 55

EXHIBIT C

KNOWN PRINTING

Text from an undated original letter to "Steve" and signed "Joe Wilkes".

- I ~~sat~~ in the hole for 7 days
it's I got alot of respo
of fuckers with the cop- They
my way unless fuck um
e with it but it would be
Nd from the streets with m
Kpig depressed lately but

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