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EXAMPLES OF “MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS”

The following information is being furnished to further assist in defining those safe deposit box items that are not to be reported or remitted. Pursuant to Chapter 717.117(1)(c), Florida Statutes, items of little or no commercial value shall not be presumed abandoned and do not need to be delivered. The following are examples of some of those items:

Ammunition	Articles of Incorporation
Audio/Video Tapes	Awards/Diplomas
Bills (other than currency; such as a utility bill)	Blank or Cancelled Checks
Credit Cards	Empty Envelopes
Firearms	Keys
Letters/Notes	Newspaper Clippings
Photographs (Personal Family Photos)	Post Cards

Do Not report or remit boxes having only the above-type items.

The contents of a safe-deposit box or other safekeeping repository which have monetary value shall be presumed unclaimed. Items having monetary value include stock certificates, bonds, traveler's checks, certificates of deposit, money orders and historical documents including photographs of public figures. In addition, the Department recommends that the following items be remitted to the Department:

Adoption Documents	Bank Books/Passbooks
Baptism Certificates	Birth Certificates
Checkbooks	Computer Diskettes
Contracts Court Records	Death Certificates
Deeds	Divorce Documents
Insurance Policies (All Types)	Loan Papers
Marriage Licenses	Medical Documents
Military Papers	Mortgages
Motor Vehicle Titles	Promissory Notes
Real Estate Documents	Tax Returns
Trusts	Wills

Other similar papers of a personal nature or items of little or no value may also be included. Conversely, if an item is discovered that is believed to be of collectible value, it should be delivered, (for example: sports memorabilia photos, Civil War documents).