

## Patent (Visible) Prints

Close-up photographs, using the protocols outlined under the photography link on the previous page, should be taken prior to attempts to collect the prints.

### IMPORTANT COLLECTION CONSIDERATIONS:

For visible prints on small objects, such as a window pane, collect the entire object. If the item is too large to submit, such as a bloody patent print on a wall, it may be necessary to cut out a section of the wall with the patent print. Be sure to leave a reasonable amount of wall surface material surrounding the patent print. A protective covering, not tape, may be placed over the print provided that the covering does not come into contact with the print. For example: if the print is on a door, a small paper box can be taped to the door, over the print for protection.