

Electronic Imaging

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The technology of document imaging is one of the newest tools available to assist in the handling of massive amounts of paperwork. How, or if, this technology could benefit law enforcement was the focus of this research. To ascertain whether document imaging would be feasible a number of factors had to be investigated. The first item considered was the equipment, personnel and the cost to implement an imaging system. Next, the microfilm / paper process was compared to electronic imaging. The results revealed the new technology to be more effective and efficient. Lastly, the archival and legal requirements were reviewed and it was found that this is an emerging technology and legal precedents are still evolving.