

Foreword

Forensic science is constantly looking for effective research methods that will allow them to be used in the detection and evidence processes. Among the many issues related to the broadly understood forensic science are questioned document examination and fingerprint examination. It should be emphasized that these areas still require constant initial experimental research and theoretical-practical analyses in order to improve the quality and effectiveness of methods so that they can be applied in practice. The present volume is a collection of articles written by an international group of experts in forensic documents examination and fingerprint research. It allows the reader to familiarize themselves with selected issues related to the use of modern technologies in document examination and to the discussion regarding fingerprint research problems. The volume includes studies on handwriting examination and its practical use, as well as the possibilities and limits of expert opinion. A separate group consists of studies devoted to problems in questioned documents analysis as well as to the use of false documents in committing accounting crimes. The specificity of contemporary document research requires a multidisciplinary approach and fully justifies the need to internationalize research. In this context, an exchange of views, including critical remarks on the basis of document research and fingerprint examinations, is indispensable. This volume may constitute an important element of forensic science and its contemporary selected research.

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