



**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES**  
*Division of Unclaimed Property*

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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having monetary value include stock certificates, bonds, traveler’s checks, certificates of deposit, money orders and historical documents including photographs of public figures.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	Medical Documents
Marriage Licenses	Mortgages
Military Papers	Promissory Notes
Motor Vehicle Titles	Tax Returns
Real Estate Documents	Wills
Trust	

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).