

SAFEChecks[®] Announces *Signature* PAPER

After 16 months in development, SAFEChecks is excited to announce **SIGNATURE Paper**, created in partnership with Frank Abagnale. **SIGNATURE Paper** is a new, proprietary, highly secure paper for checks and other negotiable instruments, and secure documents.

SIGNATURE Paper contains images of SAFEChecks' logo and Mr. Abagnale's signature in a dual-tone Fourdrinier (true) watermark, making the paper virtually impossible to replicate. It is the MOST secure paper we know of other than currency.

SIGNATURE Paper is manufactured using environmentally sustainable **biogas**. Biogas is mainly methane and carbon dioxide from decomposing landfill organic waste that is captured to prevent its release into the air.

SIGNATURE Paper came about after Greg Litster, president of SAFEChecks, became concerned with the rapid consolidation and paper mill closings in the paper industry. This was having an adverse impact on paper supplies, particularly for fraud prevention. Greg Litster requested Mr. Abagnale's help in developing **SIGNATURE Paper** and Mr. Abagnale readily agreed.

In addition to the dual-signature true watermark, **SIGNATURE Paper** contains other security features including three different colors and lengths of ultraviolet light-sensitive fibers, a chemically reactive stain feature that permanently embeds into the paper fibers, and dual-sided SecurLaser PLUS toner anchorage.

“SIGNATURE Paper combines the best of security with the best of sustainability.”

Frank W. Abagnale

SAFEChecks originated in 1994 as a division of a California business bank battling an epidemic of check fraud. Over a three year period, fraudulent checks skyrocketed from \$90,000 to \$3,200,000. To help stem these losses, Greg Litster retained Frank Abagnale to design SAFEChecks – America's first affordable high security check designed for organizations of any size. Over the next three years, as the bank's clients began using SAFEChecks and Positive Pay, check fraud attempts fell to \$126,000, a drop of 95%. Actual losses were only \$26,000!

Mr. Litster acquired SAFEChecks from the bank in 1996. SAFEChecks continues to be a pioneer in check fraud prevention, with clients of every type and size throughout the United States and Canada. Because of SAFEChecks' many security features and unique Secure Ordering Procedures, its checks, which are designed by Frank Abagnale, have never been replicated or used in a check fraud scam.

SIGNATURE Paper is available exclusively through SAFEChecks and its Authorized Distributors. It is completely controlled and virtually impossible to replicate. For information and samples, contact SAFEChecks at SignaturePaper@SAFEChecks.com or call (800) 755-BANK (2265).

