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To Honorable Stacey Kemp,

This proposal addresses Collin County Clerk | TX for Binder Spine Replacement (3), Custom Book Preservation Service and Book Preservation (185 Volumes) , Archival Imaging (185 Volumes), and Image Stitching & Stapling Services and is presented by Kofile Technologies, Inc. (Kofile).

Kofile is uniquely qualified as the largest and most experienced records preservation and modernization company in the United States.

Quoted services include Binder Spine Replacement, Custom Book Preservation Service, Book Preservation, Archival Imaging, and Image Stitching & Stapling.

With patented innovations, unmatched expertise, and a deep commitment to serving communities, we help organizations navigate preservation and digital transformation with confidence. Backed by proven results and trusted by thousands of government leaders nationwide, Kofile is your ally in building efficiency, security, and legacy. Let us preserve your permanent records while shaping the future—together.

Sincerely,

Miriam Gray

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## COMPANY OVERVIEW

### History

At Kofile, we do not just preserve and digitize records—we modernize governance. Our solutions streamline workflows, enhance security, and provide seamless public access, ensuring that critical records are protected for future generations. With a deep commitment to partnership with our clients, we help organizations navigate digital transformation with confidence. Kofile is the only ally you need to build efficiency, security, and lasting impact.

### Kofile: A History of Innovation and Preservation

#### 1888 - The Formative Years

Enduro Binders, Inc., established in 1888 and acquired by Kofile in 2009, has been granted several patents over the years. Notable patents include:

- **Kofile Disaster-Safe Document Binder** (Patent No. 10,160,255, issued December 26, 2018): acts as a mini-vault to protect records from air, water, fire, mold, or other contaminants. Binders are customizable and can be title stamped to leave a permanent mark on history.
- **Lay-flat Pockets** (Patent No. 7,943,220, B1, issued May 17, 2011): are sealed on three sides and have a static seal on the fourth side preventing contamination thereby reducing risk of mold and mildew growth of preserved documents. The static seal is not permanently closed so documents can be removed without the need to replace the pocket.

#### Founding Kofile (2009-2011)

Kofile was established in **2009**, bringing together the industry's best practices and most experienced personnel in historical and permanent U.S. public records management. In **2011**, Kofile's original owner purchased the former Microfilm Division of Eastman Kodak (formerly located in Rochester, NY) and renamed it Eastman Park Micrographics, Inc. (EPM). This acquisition solidified Kofile's expertise in film preservation and digital imaging, making it the **largest critical records preservation and digitization company in the United States**. Kofile is comprised of some of the oldest and **most experienced** private firms specializing in public records preservation:

- **Joseph J. Marotti Co., Inc.**— Founded in **1961**, operated under that name for **48 years**.
- **Brown's River Bindery**— Founded in **1972**, operated under that name for **37 years**.
- **Louisiana Binding Service, Inc. (LBS)**— Founded in **1987**, operated under that name for **24 years**.
- **Safeguard Imaging, LLC**— Founded in **2009**, purchased and renamed **Kofile Solutions, Inc.** in **2010**, providing digitization and indexing services. In **2015**, this company merged into Kofile.
- **PFA, Inc.**— Founded in **1969**, operated under that name for **50 years**, purchased and renamed **Kofile Services, Inc.** in **2019**. In **2021**, this company merged into Kofile.

#### Expansion and Technology Growth (2015-2019)

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Between **2015 and 2019**, Kofile expanded its solutions for government recordkeeping, launching **licenses, permits, and vitals solutions** with improved citizen access and search capabilities. A major milestone was reached in **2016** when Kofile deployed the **first cloud-architected official government records solution** in the U.S.

In **2018**, the company launched a **new cloud commerce platform** and updated its land and property records solutions. By **2019**, Kofile had expanded its cloud recording platform to multiple states, demonstrating a commitment to digital transformation in records management.

### **Strategic Acquisitions and Growth (2020-2022)**

On **January 29, 2020**, Boston-based investment firm **Audax Private Equity** acquired Kofile, providing capital and resources to accelerate its growth and acquire Data Preservation Services and Seamless Docs.

In **2022**, Kofile purchased **Eastman Park Micrographics, Inc. (EPM) Lab Services**, bringing microfilm processing, duplication, and inspection fully under its control.

### **Recent Developments and Leadership Changes (2023-Present)**

In **2024**, Kofile announced leadership changes with **Ray Aschenbach as CEO**. The shift aimed to enhance execution, accelerate innovation, and drive long-term business growth.

### **Kofile Today**

- Kofile employs **over 500 employees** across the U.S.
- It remains a privately owned corporation under **Kofile, Inc. (100% owner)**.
- With a legacy built on **preserving historical records and embracing digital transformation**, Kofile continues to **modernize government services through expertise, innovation, and technology**.

## Company & Employee Profile

Organization Legal Name	Kofile Technologies, Inc.
Type of Business	Corporation
Ownership	Owned 100% by Kofile, Inc. (Private Holding Company)
Tax ID	26-4034328
State/Date of Incorporation	1/8/2009 Delaware
SAM.GOV UEI No.	GUUCEJ3BYEB4
Principal Place of Business	Corporate Digitization & Conservation Lab 6300 Cedar Springs Road, Dallas, TX 75235
Mailing Address	P.O. Box 541028, Dallas, TX 75354
Region Serviced	National Company
Employee Count	Companywide: 500+ Permanent Employees  Micrographics & Digitization Lab: Sun Valley, CA: Staffed by 34 Employees (with others working remotely within the State, supporting this Lab)
Website	www.Kofile.com
Organization Representative Name(s) and Contact Information	Authority to Bind: Zach Horn  Authority to Clarify Proposal: Miriam Gray miriam.gray@kofile.com

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## Experience

Kofile is dedicated to preserving and protecting America's public records, serving over 3,000 government clients across 33 states. With decades of experience, Kofile has successfully completed tens of thousands of projects, from small-scale local initiatives to large-scale records preservation and digitization for major metropolitan areas.

Kofile's expertise spans permanent retention, historical, and active records for a wide range of government and public entities, including Auditors, Elections Offices, County and District Clerks, Assessors, Recorders, Courts, District Attorneys, Tax Assessors, Sheriffs, and Judges. Whether for small municipalities or large metropolitan areas, Kofile delivers tailored solutions to meet the unique needs of each client.

## Key Differentiators

In a landscape of strained budgets, outdated systems, and ever-evolving mandates, **Kofile** stands as a true partner to government agencies—trusted not just for what we do, but for how we do it. We don't just digitize public records; we preserve legacies, fortify access, and future-proof operations with secure, scalable, and strategic solutions.

## What Sets Us Apart

### Our People and Expertise

- **Unmatched scale and specialization** with over 500 employees across four secure U.S. facilities
- **Decades of experience** delivering successful records projects for over 3,000 local governments, including large entities such as Los Angeles, Dallas, Wayne, and Harris Counties
- **Proven capability** to digitize over 25 million pages and preserve 6+ million archival pages annually
- **Trusted across funding sources**, including federally funded initiatives requiring strict adherence to FERPA, HIPAA, CJIS, and local government mandates
- **Cross-functional teams** of preservationists, technicians, and compliance experts who deliver precise, on-time results
- **Comprehensive project support** from assessment and planning to execution and delivery

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## Our Commitment to the Future

- **Cloud-based digital access platform:** Our proprietary cloud-based platform for secure, indexed access to land, court, vital, and case records, with optional e-commerce for self-funded record access
- **Civic Hub<sup>SM</sup>:** An intuitive digital portal designed to improve engagement between governments and their constituents
- **State-of-the-art infrastructure** including a 150,000 sq. ft. fire- and F5 tornado-resistant Dallas HQ, climate-controlled environments, archival-grade vaults, and restricted-access security protocols
- **Advanced equipment** such as large-format, non-contact, and batch scanners, custom-built software, and patented preservation tools like Disaster-Safe Binders and lay-flat sleeves
- **Tailored storage solutions** engineered for long-term preservation, from mobile shelving and plat systems to custom records desks
- **Strategic planning for continuity:** Hundreds of customized records management plans designed to future-proof access and safeguard against catastrophic events

## Our Commitment to You

- **Transparent partnerships** with clear scopes, timelines, and pricing from day one—no surprises
- **Client ownership of data:** You retain full control of your records and digital files at all times
- **Secure transport and chain of custody:** DOT-compliant vehicles, GPS tracking, and item-level inventory ensure safe and accountable handling
- **Rigorous QA/QC protocols:** Every document is reviewed with manual image comparison; defects are corrected in-house before delivery
- **Scalable, responsive service** for projects of any size—from single departments to multi-county or district-wide initiatives
- **Assessment-driven approach:** Complimentary evaluations provide a clear picture of your record collection's condition, risks, and opportunities
- **Dedicated support teams** including solution architects and technical specialists guiding you from kickoff to delivery

## SERVICES

Kofile is a national leader in the preservation, digitization, and modernization of public records. We partner with government agencies to protect and transform their most valuable documents through archival-safe preservation, digitization, and accurate indexing services. Our expertise extends to the conversion of microfilm and microfiche, ensuring long-term access to aging media formats. Kofile also offers a suite of complementary products and solutions—including our proprietary digital access platform, custom shelving systems, and patented lay-flat mylar sleeves and archival binders—designed to enhance records organization, accessibility, and security. With decades of experience and a commitment to excellence, Kofile delivers scalable, end-to-end solutions tailored to the evolving needs of public agencies.

### Preservation

Kofile performs all services in accordance with the Code of Ethics & Guidelines for Practice of the American Institute for Conservation (AIC).

Preservation minimizes the chemical and physical deterioration of the page which prolongs the existence and useful life of the original format. Preservation can include removal of the original from public access, treatment, stabilization, preventative care, digitization - or any maintenance or repair of the existing resource.



### Common Areas of Concern

Sound preservation ensures accessibility to irreplaceable and permanent documents.

#### *Acidic Paper*

Past papermaking utilized bleach to obtain white sheets. As a result, this paper becomes increasingly acidic as evidenced by embrittlement and yellowish-brown discoloring. Paper also embrittles when relative humidity drops or fluctuates.

#### *Acidic Ink*

Acidic inks can eat or burn through a sheet. Unmonitored temperature and relative humidity (RH) accelerate this process. Inks can also fade with exposure to UV light. Historically, iron gall inks were the standard. These inks contain sulfuric acid - which fades with time. With proper treatments, chemical breakdowns (such as acid hydrolysis) are remedied. Without preservation services, your documents will degrade over time.

### *Mechanical Damage (Use & Abuse)*

Everyday use affects collections. Sheets bear signs of grime and the natural oils of hands. Exposed sheets are susceptible to damage and loss. Dirt and other pollutants can serve as ignition sources and weaken exposed paper. Even with careful handling, paper fragments are vulnerable to damage—which is why a lay-flat pocket is essential for protection and preservation.



### *Binding Margin*

The binding margins of many volumes are compromised due to guillotining. In order to rebind and protect these sheets, encapsulation is the solution. If a volume were re-bound as is, without encapsulation, vital information could be lost in the binding margin.

Always question vendors if they recommend power cutters (guillotining) to dismantle sewn books. Kofile never tries a procedure that could result in a loss of text or weaken the paper's integrity. A sheet's binding margin should never be compromised.

### *Broken Book Block*

Once a binding fails, damage escalates. Sheets are free to drift from the protection of the book block. With exposure, fragments become abused and susceptible to loss.

### *Failing Index Stacks*

Index Books sustain the most use. Thus, they suffer greater risks of text loss and sheet deterioration. Paper strength is completely depleted from continuous use. Eventually, tabs and sheet fragments are lost. Immediate attention is required.

### *Tape & Non-Archival Adhesives*

The Library of Congress warns about the culprits of pressure sensitive tapes—such as scotch, masking, 'invisible,' quick-release, cellophane, and even so-called 'archival' tapes— all are unstable. These tapes and adhesives will stain the paper and may cause inks and colors to 'bleed.' Many lose their adhesive properties and fall off with age, leaving behind a residue that is unsightly, damaging to the item and difficult to remove.

Adhesive stains lead to issues during imaging. Awarding a low-bid imaging and microfilm project may result in illegible images. To enhance image quality, conservation is essential. A conservator can remove water-based, synthetic, and pressure sensitive adhesives.

Page extenders are an inappropriate quick fix to a prevailing problem. To save these records, the margins need correcting, which is the underlying issue causing the deterioration of the sheets. The acid content of the sheet extenders only adds to the chemical breakdown of the paper's fibers.



### *Lamination Removal*

Kofile conservators fully review existing lamination and reverse the process, removing the laminate using a proprietary solvent solution. The possibility of removing the laminate depends on careful testing at our conservation lab. In a small percentage of cases, the adhesive is resistant to the solvent solution and cannot be removed safely. **Conservators will not attempt removal if the removal process will damage either the document's paper or ink.** If conservators cannot

remove the laminate safely, Kofile will contact Collin County Clerk | TX directly to discuss alternatives.

### *Non-Archival Quality Materials*

The off-gasses of deteriorating metals contribute to the chemical breakdown of paper. Major culprits include the metal content of book spines, the surrounding physical environment, and non-archival fasteners (such as binder clips, paper clips, and staples). These off-gasses eventually destroy the fabric of the volume. Another symptom of metal oxidation is foxing, or foxlike (reddish and brown color) stains or blotches on paper.

### *Temperature & Humidity Monitoring*

While temperature and limited air circulation are crucial to a document's longevity, humidity and water are the most destructive threats.

Relative Humidity (RH) refers to the amount of water vapor present in the air. Maintaining a set point of 40-45% RH is optimal, but costly. The maximum acceptable total RH variation, or operating range, is 5% on either side of this set point. RH should never exceed 55% or drop below 30%.

Temperatures above 75 degrees° Fahrenheit and relative humidity higher than 60% encourage mold and other bacteria growth within 48-72 hours. Even slight changes in temperature can double the natural aging rate of paper. In reality, temperature and RH are not consistent in any building (especially on weekends).

*Note: the above recommendations regarding temperature and humidity are adhered to in the preservation process and are the recommended environmental conditions for preserved documents upon their return.*

After exposure to water, pages adhere to one another when in a compressed environment. Separation without loss of text and water-soluble inks (such as signatures) is vital. Red inks smear first, then blue inks, and lastly, black inks.

The mitigation of mold or micro-organics (which can result with the introduction of water or humidity fluctuations), should only be attempted by a trained professional. Water damage can also lead to other issues such as binding failure. The necessary treatments are time consuming and require a highly skilled conservator.

Visit the Image Permanence Institute (IPI) at [www.dpicalc.org](http://www.dpicalc.org) to explore the correlation of temperature and RH on natural aging, mechanical damage, mold risk, and metal corrosion (as exemplified above).

### Treatment Specifications

Kofile regularly addresses historical and permanent documents, including manuscripts, typescripts, negative Photostats, trifolds, blueprints, re-creations, plats, and maps. No treatment, repair, or maintenance is used that is not 100% reversible.

### *Dismantle*

Original binding materials, such as threads and adhesive residues, are carefully removed. Old manuscripts often have protein-based binding adhesives such as fish, bone, or rabbit skin glues. The application of steam with specialized equipment can soften the materials that are otherwise difficult to remove. Kofile does not try any procedure that could result in a loss of text or weakening the paper's integrity. A sheet's binding marking should never be compromised.

### *Surface Cleaning*

Surface cleaning sheets remove materials and deposits including dust, soot, airborne particulate, sediment from water damage, mold/mildew residue, active micro-organic growth, insect detritus, or biological or mineral contaminants. Tools include a microspatula, soft dusting brush, latex sponge, powdered vinyl eraser, or soft block eraser.

### *Removal of Fasteners*

Kofile removes fasteners, page markers, and any metal mechanisms. Fasteners, such as binder clips, staples, paper clips, string ties, rubber bands, brads, straight pins, etc., cause damage in short periods. This includes physical damage (decreased paper strength due to punctures or distortion) and chemical damage (rust).

### *Removal of Varnish, Tape & Adhesives*

Varnish, tape, and adhesive residue are reduced as much as possible without further degrading the original. When possible, adhesives and tape are removed with two primary mechanical techniques: Heat Removal or Peeling. Heat removal is used when adhesive is loose, old, or brittle. Peeling is used when removal by heat is unnecessary. Solvents are a last resort, and local application occurs only after testing.



A microspatula (sometimes heated) coaxes threads, tape, and glue from the paper. A Hot Tools remover can soften adhesive for removal. Dial-Temp controls the transfer of heat and guards against scorching. The remaining adhesive is treated with a gum compound eraser.

Adhesive reduction begins with the most benign process. If mechanical tape removal is

unsuccessful, the next alternative is chemical. This is either a local or spot treatment or immersion in a solvent bath. Kofile ensures that its laboratories are equipped to process chemical treatments correctly and safely. Previous repairs that cannot be removed safely will remain.

If possible, water-soluble repairs are removed with water or steam. Only fully trained, experienced, and supervised staff attempt removal of water-soluble repairs. While iron gall ink is safe for aqueous treatment, many inks may fade and compromise legibility. Extensive testing is required.

#### *Flattening & Humidification*

Improperly stored paper becomes inflexible and retains a memory of the storage position. Kofile's technicians are experienced with all methods and tools to flatten paper including the use of tacking irons, heat presses, and an Ultrasonic Humidification Chamber.

After careful testing, the Ultrasonic Humidification Chamber is used to correct the most fragile documents folds and bends. This significant investment, with which other private labs are rarely equipped, represents Kofile's foresight and commitment to offering the best available technology.

Mending torn paper is an art form and requires a variety of materials depending on the paper's color, tone, condition, and weight. The length of the tear(s) and the degree of embrittlement or fragmentation are also concerns. Kofile mends tears greater than 1/2 inch if the document is going to be encapsulated.

Specialized paper and paste are commonly used, and all mending materials are acid free and reversible. Mending strips are cut so the edge of the paper visually integrates with the page without clashing aesthetically or historically. Fragmented edges, folds, tears, cracks, voids, and losses are all mended in this fashion. The mending paper used is strong and is transparent after application and while visible to the trained eye, it does not distract from the document.



A low-temperature, acrylic adhesive that bonds to the paper may also be used for reinforcement of damaged sheets. Kofile also constructs its own version with acid-free tissue paper and liquid acrylic adhesive.

#### *Deacidification*

Deacidification is only performed after careful pH and compatibility testing. Kofile is equipped with multiple custom-built spray exhaust booths. All are routed through 320an HVAC system for optimum performance.



A commercially prepared buffer solution is applied to both sides of the sheet with compressed air sprayer equipment. The solution is non-flammable and non-toxic. The active ingredient, magnesium oxide, neutralizes acid and provides an alkaline reserve. This chemical is inert, safe, and does not degrade the sheet. Once the buffer is applied, the paper's pH alters slowly. After de-acidification, random testing ensures an 8 pH with a deviation of no more than 2-4%.

### Encapsulation

In archival encapsulation, the document floats freely and is not taped or glued to the pocket. Kofile uses SKC SH725 polyester (Polyethylene Terephthalate - PET) which is the most inert, rigid, dimensionally stable (dimstabilized), and strongest plastic film. Otherwise known as Mylar® Type D or Melinex® 516, it is clear, smooth, odorless, and is resistant to distorting or melting in case of fire.



Each sheet is encapsulated in a 2-mil patented polyester pocket: Lay-flat Archival Polyester Pocket™, US Patent #7,943,220 B1, 5/17/2011. This pocket is welded closed on three sides, and a Reemay® strip, or spunbonded polyester, statically seals out atmospheric pollutants while allowing off-gassing on the fourth side. This provides easy access to the original document without cutting the pocket (some companies weld all four sides).

This construction allows for a flat book block and reinforces the binding edge for added strength and years of service. Available in custom sizes, the Pocket dimensions will match the 'book block' dimensions with a 1½ inch or 1¼ inch binding margin.

### Archival Recorder Binders

Volumes are hand-cased at 320 pages or less and pockets are punched (on the binding edge). Books with large capacities may be split to account for the weight of the Mylar. Kofile punches pockets to any hole specifications and can repair/replace index tabs.



Kofile manufactures binder components at 1/4 inch incremental capacities on a per-book basis. Kofile can manufacture custom binder sizes, shapes, spines, colors, and lettering. Each binder features durable cover boards and a spine to support the pages' weight. All materials, including the cover boards and adhesives, are acid free.

### *Printing*

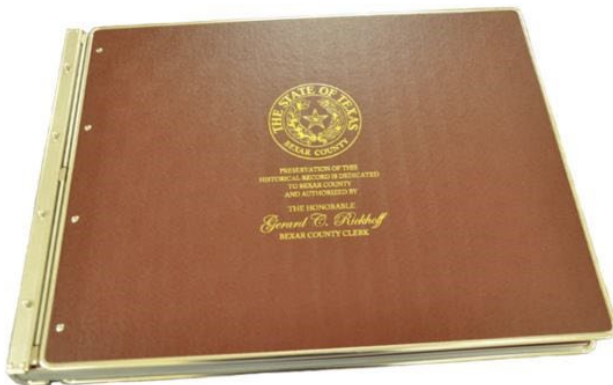
Title stamping can follow the same format/style as the originals. A printing sheet is sent for approval. If any titling, dates, or other information from an original volume is noted in error, Collin County Clerk | TX will be notified. Any changes are approved by Collin County Clerk | TX.

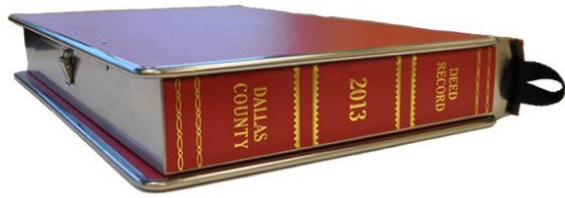
### *Heritage Recorder Binder*

The Heritage Recorder Binder (pictured above) is a post binder, but the binding can also be sewn. This binder is available in various colors in genuine or imitation leather, or canvas. Cover is custom printed per the client's requirements.

### *Plat Binder*

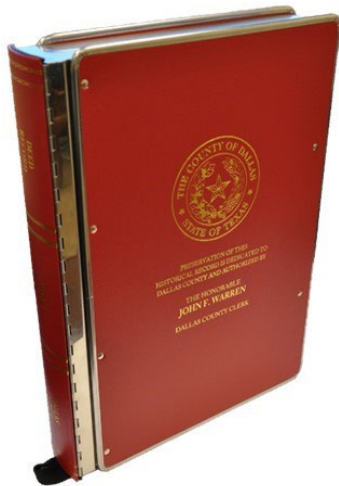
Plats are bound in custom archival Plat Binders, see example below. This is a four-post binder. The binder is available in polymer or imitation leather—both with options for customized imprinting and a client seal.





### Kofile Disaster Safe Binder (Kofile DSB)

Kofile's patented DSB provides unparalleled protection and storage. Developed after Hurricane Katrina to address the devastation of the Orleans Parish archives, it protects sheets from water, fire, and physical disruption.

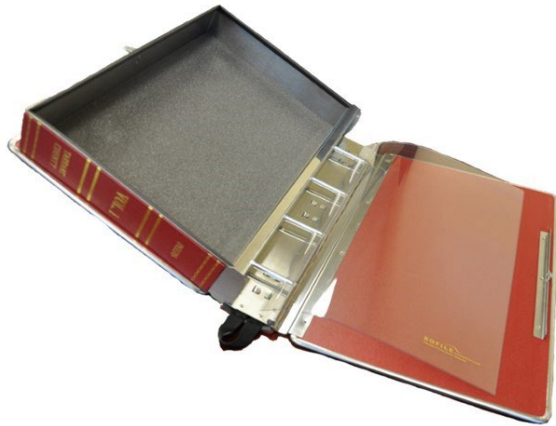


The Kofile DSB enables the encapsulated sheets to hang from the binder's posts—much like a hanging vertical plat cabinet. This feature allows collections to return in a smaller storage footprint with 4Post™ Shelving.

The Kofile DSB provides functionality and access ease while offering the highest rate of return on the client's investment. It is a portable vault for housing records of enduring value. It provides progressive protection from exposure to fire, water, Relative Humidity (RH), atmospheric pollutants, ultraviolet (UV) light, impact, and drops. The Kofile DSB also features a lifetime warranty against rust.

#### Other Kofile DSB Features Include:

**Stainless Steel**—The metal mechanism and book block apron are constructed of stable, corrosion-proof 316 stainless steel, which does not emit harmful gaseous pollutants like cold roll steel.



Support to the Book Block—The Kofile DSB is equipped with a Polyester Foam Insert, which ensures physical support to the book block and allows library-style storage.

Microclimate—The Kofile DSB creates a Microclimate, an independent, stable environment separating sheets from the external atmosphere.

Security Lock—A security lock hinge protects from theft.

Nonflammable & Self-Extinguishing—With nonflammable cover boards and materials, the Kofile DSB is self-extinguishing. These proprietary features protect the contained pages in extreme temperatures.

## Digitization

Digitizing a collection of documents creates an electronic representation of the original paper archival records. Digitization is not meant to replace the archival record, but to aid in its preservation and protect the original from physical handling through enabling electronic access. Images can be made available publicly or restricted to authorized users through platforms such as Kofile's Quicklink<sup>SM</sup>. The digital copy also serves as a back-up if the original is misplaced, damaged, or destroyed.

Kofile offers a wide range of experience-backed services to meet the full spectrum of your digitization needs and can be coupled with our Preservation services to create the best possible image from fragile or damaged original documents. Technicians are trained to handle fragile and historical documents and use the best hardware and software available based upon the material and the requirements for the resulting images. Kofile's experience, tools, processes, and technology position us to handle large-scale digitization of permanent and non-permanent paper records to meet most any requirement and use case. For Archival digitization, Kofile can utilize tools and processes consistent with the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) technical guidelines for digitization.

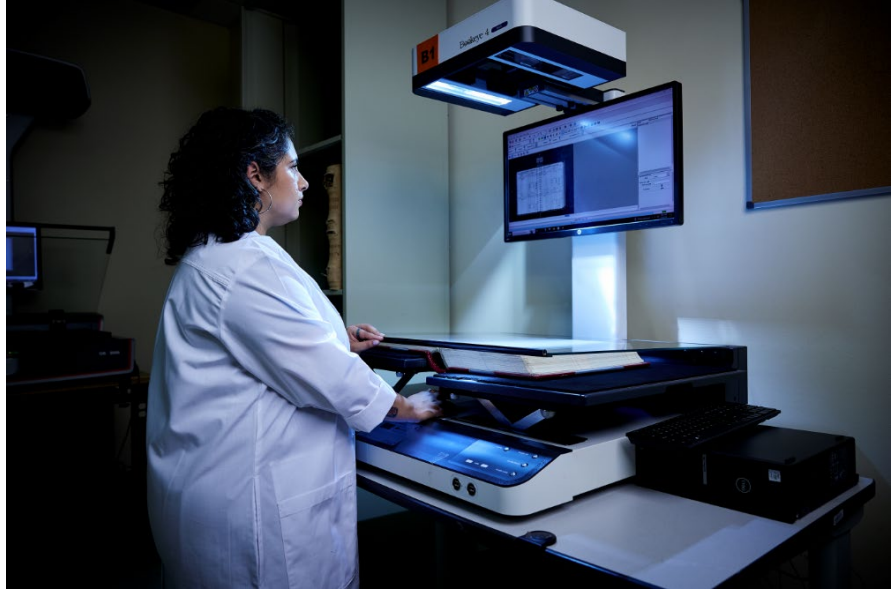
Our digitization workflows begin with our chain of custody for all books, boxes, maps, etc., that are received from our clients. We manifest every client item to ensure that we can electronically track activities and location throughout the digitization process. Each step in the digitization process is logged in our tracking database to create an audit trail of which

technicians executed each task. Electronically tracking every step in our process allows us to provide updates on progress and to reconcile each item that was received is also returned to the client upon completion of the digitization process.

#### *Available age*

#### *Enhancement*

When clients require that the digital image be easier to read or 'look better' than the original document, Kofile will utilize processes that are based on our experience and on our best-in-class technology to improve image traits such as contrast, skew, jagged borders, stains, etc. Kofile IMAGE PERFECT PRO is Kofile's proprietary digital SLR-based software which utilizes proprietary algorithms that are critical for creating the best image possible from damaged and/or aged document and collections.



Kofile IMAGE PERFECT PRO enables technicians to apply different algorithms to sections of the image based upon need and to make incremental adjustments until the best possible combinations are identified.

Quality Targets permit operators to view image quality at scan. Images, even those scanned on different devices, are normalized. This software measures image quality and propagates this data through the imaging chain. Quality Targets serve as the foundation for quality assurance analysis.

Quality Targets are utilized in the scanning process to establish the baseline digital capture quality of the scanner during scanning. Therefore, Kofile can measure the digitization physics at the time of capture. Kofile IMAGE PERFECT PRO can measure each image at a minimum for:

- Target dpi
- Target Tone scale & correction
- Color Management
- Brightness/Contrast Correction
- Gamma Adjustment
- White Balancing
- Page Orientation
- Exposure uniformity
- Color reproduction

If applicable to the project, Kofile performs negative Photostat polarity reversal (so that all characters are black on a positive background). The document certification strip (file strip) is inverted to match the polarity of the final image.

If requested, annotations are supported to allow the addition of Name, Book Type, Volume, and Page on the image. Image quality metadata is captured from the image header, along with a secured digital signature that certifies the fidelity and integrity of every image scanned.

### Quality Control (QC)

Our Quality Control (QC) process ensures that all images are certified. **Each image is sight checked during QC.** Kofile technicians ensure there are no missing pages, double feeds, or added attached pages. Every processed image is inspected, and finally, a digital inventory check is conducted before delivery.

### Advanced Equipment

Kofile can scan mixed-sized and large-format documents. Kofile employs a range of scanners to tailor imaging services to the document that requires imaging. All the scanners employ double feed page detection to adjust for varying paper sizes and, more importantly, thicknesses to reduce pull-throughs on thin papers following thick bond. Fragile documents are imaged by hand and not fed through an automated Document feeder. Kofile's technicians are trained to handle fragile documents.

### ARCHIVAL BOXES & FOLDERS



The box to the left is the original box, and the Coroplast™ boxes to the right are the rehoused files.

If required, Kofile offers the service of organizing scanned documents in new, corrugated plastic boxes that are

more suited to preserve the original documents. These boxes are acid-free and comprised of a chemically inert co-polymer. They offer unparalleled strength and high density, and they are water resistant. Each box and folder are appropriately labeled based on its contents.

Original shuck envelopes can be saved and preserved or returned, or as pictured above, photocopied to save space in the returned files.

## IMPLEMENTATION METHODOLOGY

Kofile follows a structured, client-centered implementation approach designed to ensure accuracy, transparency, and minimal disruption to your organization's operations. Kofile will work to align scope, timelines, technical requirements, and key stakeholders during the initiation phase of the engagement. Our teams conduct thorough assessments of record conditions, formats, and retention needs to define the most effective path forward—whether the project involves digitization, indexing, microfilm, or preservation.

Throughout execution, we maintain chain-of-custody tracking, rigorous quality control, and real-time progress updates via secure platforms. Services are delivered through a combination of on-site and facility-based workflows, depending on client needs, and all deliverables are validated prior to handoff. Kofile's methodology ensures that each project is compliant, scalable, and built to meet both immediate access goals and long-term archival standards.

## SCOPE OF WORK

### **Preservation**—Conservation Treatments, Deacidify, Encapsulate, & Bind (PRV)

- Inspect and log each item upon receipt.
- Disbind volumes by hand (Kofile does not guillotine volumes to separate pages).
- Flatten sheets using tacking irons, heat presses, or an Ultrasonic Humidification Chamber.
- Surface clean sheets according to in accordance with the Code of Ethics & Guidelines for Practice of the American Institute for Conservation (AIC).
- Remove any non-archival repairs, adhesives, residual glues, fasteners, or lamination to the extent possible without causing damage to paper and inks.
- Mend tears and guard burns on back side of sheets with acid free and reversible mending materials.
- Deacidify sheets with Kofile's proprietary solution Bookkeepers®.
- Encapsulate each sheet in Kofile's proprietary Lay Flat Archival Polyester Pocket™.
- Re-bind in custom archival quality binder (Heritage Recorder Binder or Kofile's proprietary Disaster-Safe Binder). A volume may return split due to the added weight of the Mylar.
- 142 pages to be preserved and placed in polyester mylar capsules, then being placed in an existing preserved volume, new binder not required.

**Image**—Archival Image Capture, Image Processing, Clean Up, & Enhancements (IM)

- Images are stitched into one digital image when documents span more than one page.
  - Images are captured at 300 dpi in greyscale to ensure optimum contrast, legibility, and flexibility for further image enhancement when required.
  - Images accumulate as bi-tonal images in a format to load to the client's record-keeping system. (Please note that uploading to a system incurs an additional charge.)
  - Capture verification.
  - Inversion
  - IMAGE PERFECT, Kofile's proprietary software, ensures the optimum image quality with custom image clean up and enhancements such as deskew, despeckle, character repair, polarity reversal, and zonal processing.
  - Crop excess blank space around image. This may involve manual cropping to ensure best quality image.
  - Images are named (tagged for the directory file structure) by book, volume, and page.
  - If applicable, images are optimized and scaled for system output.
  - Stitching: If identified, images receive stitching where necessary, such as entries that horizontally span the length of more than one page.
  - Client receives a master in a medium suitable to the project size (e.g., SFTP, USB).
  - Images are split into separate pages when more than one document exists on a page.
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- Binder Spine Replacement

## TRANSPORTATION & FACILITIES

Kofile prioritizes security and accountability at every stage of records management. From GPS-tracked, DOT-compliant transportation to strict chain-of-custody protocols, we ensure records remain protected and meticulously tracked. Our permanent, climate-controlled facilities feature advanced security systems and archival vaults, providing a secure environment for processing and preserving critical government records.

### Secure Transportation

Kofile personnel pick up and transport records. Kofile will provide all supplies, materials, equipment, transportation, and related items. Additionally:

- Vehicles are DOT compliant
- Vehicle doors remain locked – including rear gate with padlock
- Include GPS

Go through a vehicle pre-check before leaving

## Chain of Custody Control

Kofile's chain of custody control is unparalleled. Kofile Transportation Services monitors inventory at the box, folder, and page level, and experts examine each item prior to any service. The chain of custody includes transport, facility security, technological safeguards, and project management tools/tracking.

## State-of-the-Art Facilities

Kofile has:

- Secure, permanent facilities employing full-time, permanent employees.
- Code-compliant facilities and archival, climate-controlled vaults.
- State-of-the-art security systems.
- East, Central, and West Coast facilities servicing the entire country.



Kofile headquarters, located in Dallas, TX:

This is a permanent 150,000 square foot facility that features:

- Fire-resistant brick and concrete building (F5 Tornado Resistant). Structural steel support members, fire-rated walls, ceiling, and flooring.
- Archival vaults (Media Vault and two Book/Paper Vaults).
- Security fences surround the property with restricted control access at each gate/door.
- State-of-the-art security systems protect the entire facility and each vault.

## PRICING

Without a signed agreement, prices are good for 90 days. Pricing is based on estimated document and page counts and condition. Final billing occurs on actual document and page counts and condition per mutually agreed upon pricing; not to exceed the P.O. without written authorization.

This inventory includes a total of **185 volumes** to be preserved and imaged. Also replacing three binder spines, and two Heritage binders to be replaced by DSB binders.

Collin County Clerk   TX					
Project Overview - Estimated Volumes and Pricing					
Record Series	Total Volumes	UOM	Quantity	Level of Service	Estimated Total
Civil Minutes	1	Each	1	Binder Spine Replacement	\$355.32
County Attorney Fee Book	1	Each	1	Binder Spine Replacement	\$355.32
Record of Registered Nurses	1	Each	1	Binder Spine Replacement	\$355.32
Attachment Lien Volume 3	1	Per Page	142	Custom Book Preservation Service	\$639.00
Bail Bond Ledger (Index)	1	Per Page	235	Book Preservation	\$1,410.00
Bill of Sale Volume 4-6	3	Per Page	1,518	Book Preservation	\$9,108.00
Bonds to Pay Claims or Liens Volume 2-13	12	Per Page	10,134	Book Preservation	\$60,804.00
Chattel Mortgage Volumes 3-10, 16	9	Per Page	7,182	Book Preservation	\$50,274.00
Chattel Mortgage Volumes 6, 8-13, 15-24	17	Per Page	12,842	Book Preservation	\$77,052.00
Civil Minute Index	1	Per Page	600	Book Preservation	\$3,600.00
County Attorney Fee Book	6	Per Page	2,446	Book Preservation	\$18,345.00
Criminal Docket Transfer Index	1	Per Page	1,808	Book Preservation	\$10,848.00
Criminal Index Volume 2	1	Per Page	700	Book Preservation	\$4,200.00
Criminal Minutes Volume 1-84	84	Per Page	81,456	Book Preservation	\$488,736.00
Criminal Minutes Volume S	1	Per Page	754	Book Preservation	\$5,655.00
Criminal Minutes Volume T	1	Per Page	900	Book Preservation	\$5,400.00

Embalmers, Optometry & Dentist Record	1	Per Page	340	Book Preservation	\$2,040.00
General Index to Abstract of Judgement Record Volume 1-3	3	Per Page	1,139	Book Preservation	\$6,834.00
Guardianship File Docket	1	Per Page	121	Book Preservation	\$721.00
Hospital Lien Record Volume 3-5	3	Per Page	1,800	Book Preservation	\$10,800.00
Index To Criminal Minutes	1	Per Page	700	Book Preservation	\$4,200.00
Index to Chattel Mortgage Register	8	Per Page	2,950	Book Preservation	\$17,700.00
Index for Judgement Records - Volume 2	1	Per Page	53	Custom Book Preservation Service	\$287.26
Judgement Record Volume 1	1	Per Page	513	Book Preservation	\$3,078.00
Judgement Record Volume 3	1	Per Page	614	Book Preservation	\$3,684.00
Judgement Record Volume 5-8	4	Per Page	2,828	Book Preservation	\$16,968.00
Miscellaneous Records Volume 5-6	2	Per Page	1,500	Book Preservation	\$9,000.00
Official Bond Record Volume 12-15	4	Per Page	3,200	Book Preservation	\$19,200.00
Polygraph Examiners Volume 1	1	Per Page	80	Book Preservation	\$963.00
Probate Claim Docket Volume 7-8	2	Per Page	928	Book Preservation	\$5,568.00
Probate File Docket Volume 4-9	6	Per Page	1,880	Book Preservation	\$11,280.00
Record of Registered Nurses Volume 3	1	Per Page	800	Book Preservation	\$4,800.00
Register of Chattel Mortgage Liens on Machinery Volumes 2-4	3	Per Page	1,058	Book Preservation	\$6,348.00
Release of Lien	1	Per Page	800	Book Preservation	\$4,800.00
Reverse Index to Chattel Mortgage Volume 1	1	Per Page	372	Book Preservation	\$2,604.00
Water Permit Record Volume 2 & 3	2	Per Page	228	Book Preservation	\$1,368.00
Attachment Lien Volume 3	1	Per Image	142	Archival Imaging	\$80.94
Bail Bond Ledger (Index)	1	Per Image	235	Archival Imaging	\$133.95
Bill of Sale Volume 4-6	3	Per Image	1,518	Archival Imaging	\$865.26
Bonds to Pay Claims or Liens Volume 2-13	12	Per Image	10,134	Archival Imaging	\$5,776.38

Chattel Mortgage Volumes 3-10, 16	9	Per Image	7,182	Archival Imaging	\$8,762.04
Chattel Mortgage Volumes 6, 8-13, 15-24	17	Per Image	12,842	Archival Imaging	\$9,631.50
Civil Minute Index	1	Per Image	600	Archival Imaging	\$342.00
County Attorney Fee Book	6	Per Image	2,446	Archival Imaging	\$2,984.12
Criminal Docket Transfer Index	1	Per Image	1,808	Archival Imaging	\$1,030.56
Criminal Index Volume 2	1	Per Image	700	Archival Imaging	\$399.00
Criminal Minutes Volume 1-84	84	Per Image	81,456	Archival Imaging	\$46,429.92
Criminal Minutes Volume S	1	Per Image	754	Archival Imaging	\$919.88
Criminal Minutes Volume T	1	Per Image	900	Archival Imaging	\$513.00
Embalmers, Optometry & Dentist Record	1	Per Image	340	Archival Imaging	\$193.80
General Index to Abstract of Judgement Record Volume 1-3	3	Per Image	1,139	Archival Imaging	\$649.23
Guardianship File Docket	1	Per Image	121	Archival Imaging	\$68.97
Hospital Lien Record Volume 3-5	3	Per Image	1,800	Archival Imaging	\$1,026.00
Index To Criminal Minutes	1	Per Image	700	Archival Imaging	\$399.00
Index to Chattel Mortgage Register	8	Per Image	2,950	Archival Imaging	\$2,212.50
Index to Judgement Record 2	1	Per Image	53	Archival Imaging	\$39.75
Judgement Record Volume 1	1	Per Image	513	Archival Imaging	\$384.75
Judgement Record Volume 3	1	Per Image	614	Archival Imaging	\$460.50
Judgement Record Volumes 5-8	4	Per Image	2,828	Archival Imaging	\$1,611.96
Miscellaneous Records Volume 5-6	2	Per Image	1,500	Archival Imaging	\$855.00
Official Bond Record Volume 12-15	4	Per Image	3,200	Archival Imaging	\$1,824.00
Polygraph Examiners Volume 1	1	Per Image	80	Archival Imaging	\$45.60
Probate Claim Docket Volume 7-8	2	Per Image	928	Archival Imaging	\$528.96
Probate File Docket Volume 4-9	6	Per Image	1,880	Archival Imaging	\$1,071.60

Record of Registered Nurses Volume 3	1	Per Image	800	Archival Imaging	\$456.00
Register of Chattel Mortgage Liens on Machinery Volumes 2-4	3	Per Image	1,058	Archival Imaging	\$603.06
Release of Lien	1	Per Image	800	Archival Imaging	\$456.00
Reverse Index Chattel Mortgage Volume 1	1	Per Image	372	Archival Imaging	\$279.00
Water Permit Record Volume 2 & 3	2	Per Image	228	Archival Imaging	\$129.96
Chattel Mortgage Volumes 6, 8-13, 15-24	17	Per Image	6,421	Image Stitching & Stapling	\$1,797.88
<b>Product</b>				<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Estimated Total</b>
Binder - DSB				2	\$1,268.75
				<b>PROJECT TOTAL</b>	<b>\$963,611.04</b>

### PURCHASING VIA TXMAS

Please reference Contract No. TxMAS-23-92001 directly on the P.O. Kofile can prepare a Shopping Cart in TxSmartBuy so Collin County Clerk | TX can complete this purchase. Collin County Clerk | TX is billed using the following TXMAS line items:

TXMAS BILLING LINE ITEMS						
Part No.	NIGP	DESCRIPTION	UOM	UNIT PRICE	Qty	LINE TOTAL
PRV701	96272	Record Book Preservation By Page	Per Page	\$5.42	53	\$287.26
PRV701	96272	Record Book Preservation by Page	Per Page	\$4.50	142	\$639.00
BRC705-A	92030	Book Re-Creation: Upgrade to Disaster Safe County Binder™	Each	\$634.38	2	\$1,268.75
IMGP701	92030	Archival Imaging Of Unbound Positive / Typescript	Per Image	\$0.57	114,320	\$65,162.40
IMGP702	92030	Archival Imaging Of Unbound Positive / Manuscript	Per Image	\$0.75	17,344	\$13,008.00
IMGP702	92030	Archival Imaging Of Unbound Positive / Manuscript	Per Image	\$0.57	575	\$327.75
IMGP711	92030	Archival Imaging Of Oversized Sheets/ 12" On The Shortest Side Of The Sheet	Per Image	\$1.22	10,382	\$12,666.04
IMGP712	92030	Archival Image Processing: Image Stitching	Per Image	\$0.28	6,421	\$1,797.88
PRV 707	96272	Record Book Preservation By Page	Per Page	\$12.04	80	\$963.00

PRV 707	96272	Record Book Preservation By Page	Per Page	\$5.96	121	\$721.00
PRV701	96272	Record Book Preservation By Page	Per Page	\$6.00	130,958	\$785,748.00
PRV701, PRV715	96272	Record Book Preservation By Page Additional/Special Preservation: Special Preservation Treatments Per Page	Per Page	\$6.00	513	\$3,078.00
PRV702	96272	Index Book Or Oversized Record Preservation By Page	Per Page	\$7.50	3,200	\$24,000.00
PRV702	96272	Index Book Or Oversized Record Preservation By Page	Per Page	\$7.00	7,554	\$52,878.00
PRV722	96272	Binder Spine Replacement	Each	\$355.32	3	\$1,065.96
<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>\$963,611.04</b>

## BILLING

Pricing based on the assumptions and records provided by Collin County Clerk | TX, as outlined in the Scope of Work section of this response. Kofile will invoice based on actual document and image counts times the unit rate and will not exceed the estimated total without written authorization.

## ACCESSIBILITY OF RECORDS

All records held at Kofile are maintained as private and confidential material. All physical or digital records (including volumes, documents, digital images, metadata, or microfilm) serviced by Kofile shall remain the property of Collin County Clerk | TX. Client is guaranteed access to records via email or toll-free fax. Upon receipt of a records request, Kofile will flag the requested record and verify inventory control, pull supporting paperwork, and email/fax a response to the approved requester or alternate.

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## **PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION & CLIENT ACCEPTANCE**

### **Project Implementation**

To initiate services with Kofile, please contact your designated Sales Representative, who will serve as your primary point of contact throughout the engagement.

Upon finalizing terms, Kofile will coordinate closely with Collin County Clerk | TX to confirm schedules, logistics, and deliverables, ensuring a seamless transition from procurement to project implementation.

### **PAYMENT TERMS**

Kofile will invoice in 4 installments: First invoice of one-fourth of the total proposed estimate at first pickup, second and third invoices of one-fourth of the total proposed estimate at equal increments between first pickup and expected completion date, and the final invoice for the remaining balance will be issued upon the earlier of thirty (30) days after completion of work or final delivery.

### **PURCHASING VEHICLE**

TXMAS

This project is presented via TXMAS Contract No. TXMAS-23-92001. Please reference this number on the P.O. Without a signed agreement, prices are good for 90 days. All pricing is based on estimated page counts and condition. Final billing occurs on actual page counts and condition per mutually agreed upon pricing; not to exceed the P.O. without written authorization.

### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

This proposal is governed by Kofile's Terms & Conditions at:  
<https://Kofile.com/termsandconditions/>.

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**Customer Acceptance**

Name (Authorized Official):	
Title:	
Date:	
Signature:	

**Kofile Acceptance**

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