SAR PATRIOT DISPATCH
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To: All Chapter and Society Genealogists, Registrars, State and Chapter Presidents
From: Wayne Eells Jr, Genealogist General, and John Kraft, Genealogy Committee Chairman
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Subject: Immediate Change in SAR Application Paper

Effective Immediately: Permalife® White Archival Bond Paper Replaces SAR-Watermarked Paper

The SAR's supply of SAR-watermarked application paper is exhausted. The vendor that supplied this paper is no longer in business. Effective immediately, Permalife® white archival bond paper is approved for all SAR applications, including regular, memorial, and supplemental applications.

You may continue to use your remaining SAR-watermarked paper **until depleted**. You do not need to discard or replace unused stock. When purchasing additional application paper, order the Permalife® paper specified below.

Required paper specifications
Use Permalife® paper that meets all of the following specifications:

Feature	Requirement
Brand	Permalife®
Color	White
Type	Archival bond paper
Size	Legal size, 8½ × 14 inches
Weight	20 lb.
Cotton content	25%
Preservation properties	Acid-free and lignin-free
Watermark	**Permalife watermark**

Check the product description and select the correct size before ordering. A supplier may offer Permalife paper in several sizes or package quantities.



(Image of Permalife Manufacturer Watermark)

An interim step toward paperless applications
This change provides a practical, cost-effective bridge to the SAR's planned paperless application system. It cost too much to resupply the SAR watermarked paper.

Producing another supply of SAR-watermarked paper would require a new watermark die at significant cost. With the transition to paperless applications ahead, purchasing commercially available Permalife paper avoids that expense while maintaining the required paper specifications.

Permalife paper is not exclusive to SAR. It is also used for C.A.R. and DAR applications, allowing those who work with more than one society to purchase paper used across these organizations. Each organization's application instructions still apply.

Where to purchase Permalife Paper
The following five suppliers are listed as sources for Permalife paper in the accompanying supplier reference. Select legal-size paper, 8½ × 14 inches, and confirm that the product meets all specifications above.

- Conservation Resources: Permalife Archival Bond Paper, Legal Size
- Hollinger Metal Edge: Permalife® Bond Sheets
- Gaylord Archival: Permalife 20 lb. Bond Paper
- TALAS: Permalife 20 lb. Archival Bond Paper
- ACK Depot: Permalife 20 lb. Archival Bond Paper, 8½ × 14 inches

These sources are provided for convenience, not as endorsements. Confirm current pricing, availability, package quantity, and shipping charges before purchasing.

What genealogists and registrars should do

1. Share this notice with members and volunteers who prepare or print applications.
2. Continue using existing SAR-watermarked paper until your supply is depleted.
3. Purchase the specified Permalife paper when additional application paper is needed.

For questions about this change, contact Wayne Eells at wayne.eells.sar.1777@gmail.com.

Thank you for helping applicants and application creators make this transition.

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