

Universal Latent Workstation (ULW) in the Next Generation Identification (NGI) World v6.67

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- www.fbi.gov/services/cjis/fingerprints-and-other-biometrics/ngi
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Latent Print Services

The Next Generation Identification (NGI) latent services provide authorized criminal justice agencies with the ability to search latent fingerprints and palm prints left at crime scenes against a national biometric repository with improved accuracy and access to event-based criminal, civil, and unsolved latent biometrics. The NGI provides enhanced cascade services of the Unsolved Latent File to include criminal, authorized civil, and inquiry-only biometric submissions to produce new investigative leads within unsolved cases.

[Latent Best Practices](#) [Latent Quality Metrics](#) [Latent Search Strategies](#)

Palm Print Capture Reference Tools

The FBI's Next Generation Identification (NGI) palm print and supplemental print (i.e., lower joints and extreme tips of the fingers) searching capabilities are now operational. Please note that the PALM PRINT CARD FD-884 (REV. 7-2-10) and the SUPPLEMENTAL FINGER AND PALM PRINT CARD FD-884a (REV. 7-2-10) have been revised and may be ordered at no charge from the FBI by contacting the Fingerprint Supply Center at 304-625-3983 or by visiting www.FBI.gov.

To increase accuracy, please review "A Practical Guide for Palm Print Capture" and / or the "Palm Print Capture" poster when capturing and submitting palm & supplemental prints to the FBI. This guide and poster can also be used as a reference tool to provide visual aid to agencies in order to show what proper palm print submissions should look like. If a poster is desired, print size dimensions can be modified via *Page Setup* prior to printing. For more information, please contact palmprints@leo.gov.

[Palm Print Capture Guide](#) [Palm Print Poster](#) [Supplemental Capture Guide](#)





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- Increased accuracy
- Searching lower-quality latents





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- Latent Friction Ridge Image Searches (LFIS)
 - Easiest and quickest
 - No markup

- Latent Friction Ridge Features Search (LFFS)
 - Easier feature searches
 - Minimal markup
 - Quick minutiae search





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- Palm prints
 - NPPS direct enrollment in NGI
 - Searching palm prints within ULW
 - Settings
 - Request Features Record
 - Larger palm ROI sizes





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- Expanded database
 - Civil File
 - Unsolved Latent File (ULF)
 - Criminal Master File (CMF)
- Event based repository
 - Biometric Set Identifier





Tips and Techniques ULW v6.67

- **Unsolved Latent File (ULF)**
 - Enhanced ULF capabilities
 - Unsolved Latent Match (ULM)
 - ULF Management (FIFO)
- **Unsolved Latent Delete (ULD)**
 - Confirmation Responses
- **Unsolicited Unsolved Latent Delete (UULD)**





Tips and Techniques ULW v6.67

- Opening Unsolved Latent Match (ULM) Files without Transaction Manager
 - 1. Open Latent Editor (LE).
 - 2. Right click on the ULM file you would like to compare and click Copy.
 - 3. Right click on an area near the original ULM and click Paste.





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- Opening Unsolved Latent Match (ULM) Files without Transaction Manager
 - 4. Hold down the Ctrl key and click on the original ULM file and the Copy.
 - 5. Drag and drop both files into LE. Hold down the Ctrl key and click on the original ULM file and then
 - Copy. Drag and drop both files into LE.
 - 6. Click on Window in the horizontal tool bar and select Tile Vertical. Select Feature Markup on the left side of the screen to display the tenprint images.





Tips and Techniques ULW v6.67

- Image Request Response (IRR) & Unsolved Latent Match (ULM) Fingers display out of order in Latent Editor
 - The LE will display fingers in the order in which NGI returns them - which is not always in sequentially ascending order. There is no way to manually re-arrange the fingers in LE. See below example:





Tips and Techniques ULW v6.67

The screenshot displays the ULW v6.67 interface. At the top, there is an "Image Toolbar" and an "Image Viewer" window. The "Image Viewer" window shows a "Select Image" dropdown menu set to "#05". Below this is a table with "Key" and "Value" columns. The table contains 15 rows of data, with the row for "#05" highlighted in yellow and circled in red. To the left of the table is a small thumbnail image of a fingerprint. Below the table is an "Image Process" section. At the bottom of the interface is a "File Contents" tree view. The tree view shows a hierarchy of folders and files, with the file "Live-scan rolled, Finger: 09, WSQ Compressed in" circled in red.

Key	Value
#01	Finger: 08; Rec: 4
#02	Finger: 03; Rec: 4
#03	Finger: 02; Rec: 4
#04	Finger: 06; Rec: 4
#05	Finger: 09; Rec: 4
#06	Finger: 07; Rec: 4
#07	Finger: 01; Rec: 4
#08	Finger: 04; Rec: 4
#09	Finger: 05; Rec: 4
#10	Finger: 10; Rec: 4
#11	Finger: 14; Rec: 4
#12	Finger: 13; Rec: 4
#13	Finger: 12; Rec: 4
#14	Finger: 11; Rec: 4

File Contents:

- Rec 1: Transaction Information
 - Transaction Data
- Rec 2: Descriptive Text
 - Candidate List
- Rec 4: Fingerprint Image
 - 4a: Fingerprint Image
 - 4b: Fingerprint Image
 - 4c: Fingerprint Image
 - 4d: Fingerprint Image
 - 4e: Live-scan rolled, Finger: 09, WSQ Compressed in
 - 4f: Fingerprint Image
 - 4g: Fingerprint Image
 - 4h: Fingerprint Image





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- Search all possible positions
- Minutiae
- Min/Max Region of Interest
- Request Features Record (RFR)





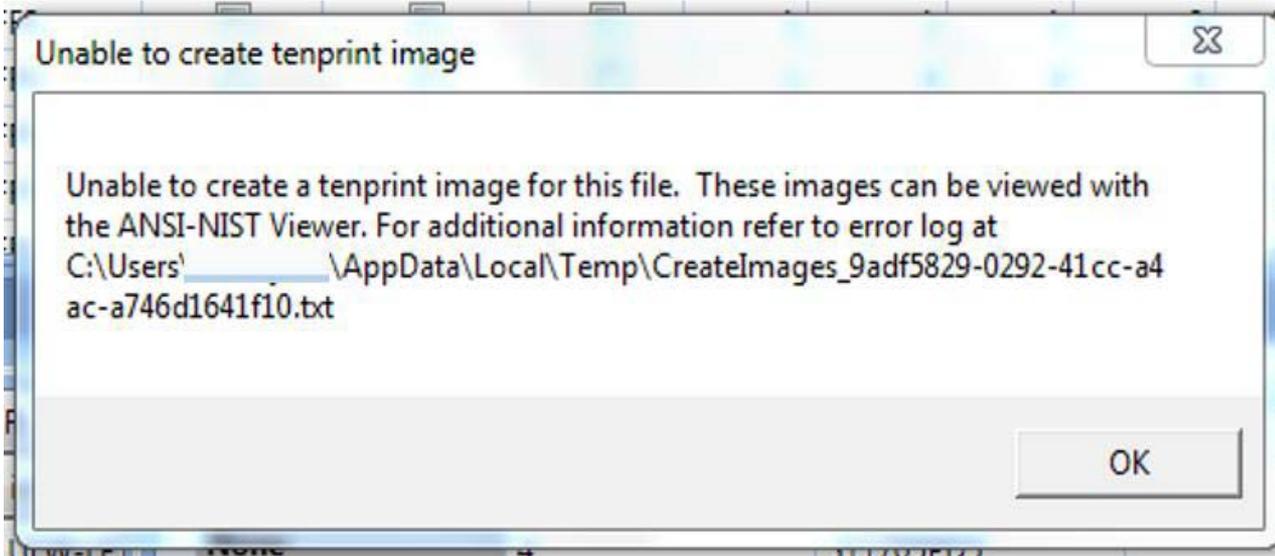
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- Latent Quality Metrics (LQ Metrics)
 - LQM found in Latent Editor (LE)





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Tips and Techniques ULW v6.67

- If the IRR has missing images (i.e. less than 14 fingerprint images), the View Ten-Print Image button in Transaction Manager (TM) will not open the IRR. The images from the IRR can be viewed using one of the following from the IRR Tab in TM:
 - 1. Open the IRR with the “Compare IRR with ULW-LE” button
 - 2. Open the IRR with the “Compare IRR with ULW-CT” button
 - 3. Open the IRR with the “View Images” button (if associated with a case)
- The images can also be viewed with the ANSI-NIST Viewer:
 - 1. Open the IRR using the ANSI-NIST Viewer
 - 2. File
 - 3. Images
 - 4. View All Fingerprints





Upgrading to ULW v6.67

ULW Software

The Universal Latent Workstation (ULW) is interoperable and interactive software for latent print examiners. The software improves the exchange and search of latent friction ridge images involving various Automated Fingerprint Identification Systems and the FBI's Next Generation Identification (NGI) system with a single encoding. This software is provided at no cost to authorized criminal justice agencies.

Please note that ULW Software, by itself, does not establish connectivity/message routing to Automated Biometric Systems, either foreign or domestic. The ULW simply formats a latent print into an FBI EBTS compliant format for searching against many vendor systems.

*When installing 6.6.7, it is recommended to save the files to the computer prior to installation - the Setup.msi file must be copied to the computer.

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Additional Links

[NGI WebSite](#)

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Request the Download of ULW Software

To request the ULW Software, please fill out the form below and submit it for approval.

Any additional questions should be sent to latentsupport@leo.gov.

If you have already submitted a request in the past please make sure all fields are accurate and up to date.

Contact Information

First Name

Last Name

Email Address (professional address preferred)

Phone Number

Address

Agency/Dept./Office

ORI Number (If applicable)

United States Citizen?

- No
 Yes

Retype the code from the picture:



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