

## BOOK REVIEW

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### A Review of "The Identification and Registration of Firearms"

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**REFERENCE:** Krcma, V., *The Identification and Registration of Firearms*, Charles C Thomas, Springfield, Ill., 1971, 173 pages, \$14.50.

A welcome contribution not only to the collector and persons responsible for the registration of firearms, but also to the field of firearms identification.

The correct assessment of the make, model, and serial number is often a bewildering and confusing subject for even the most experienced firearms examiner. Such vital information is of course essential to the successful development of all firearms identification information systems.

This text has not only consolidated that information which is widely scattered and often incomplete and inaccurate; but has also clarified, expanded, and developed a format for the addition of future information needed for this dynamic subject.

As the author points out: "I do not claim to have answered all questions, due to the considerable difficulties of obtaining accurate information and also due to the fact that new models are of course being constantly introduced." The text is not then a final answer to a perplexing problem; but rather an essential step forward in developing firearms information systems which will bring uniform, timely, and accurate information to all involved in the production, use, registration, and the identification of firearms.

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