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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)

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: Jerry Gallina Authority to Clarify Proposal: Trae Scism trae.scism@kofile.com

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 Bexar County (San Antonio), LA County (Los Angeles), Dallas County (Dallas), Wayne County (Detroit), and Harris County (Houston)
- **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

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 HubSM:** 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.

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

- Archival digitization includes scanning, capture, and zonal enhancements
- Capture in 300 dpi greyscale
- Output to either PDF or TIFF

- 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.
 - 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.
 - Images are grouped (stapled) together to form documents.
 - If applicable, images are optimized and scaled for system output.
 - When multiple documents (Deeds, Birth Record, etc.) exist on a single page, images are split so that each document is viewable individually. In the case of Vitals, this service incurs additional charges. Amendments are stapled to the appropriate Certificate and indexed in place of the original Certificate.
 - 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).
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- QuickLinkSM Full Linking software setup and training.
 - If selected by the client, provide E-Commerce capabilities for the public to search and purchase document images. The Client retains 100% of copy revenue, and Kofile charges a \$2.00 convenience fee for documents that the public purchases.
 - Kofile will provide monthly reimbursement for E-Commerce and reporting of activity on the site.
 - Kofile hosts, supports, and maintains the QuickLinkSM site.
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- One year of QuickLinkSM Full Linking licensing, hosting, support, and maintenance.
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- QuickLinkSM Full Linking link to index line and, as needed, image stitching.
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- Additional load of links after the initial load to existing QuickLinkSM Light Tagging customer site.
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- QuickLinkSM Light Tagging link to index line and, as needed, image stitching.

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.

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Project Overview - Estimated Volumes and Pricing					
Record Series	Volume	UOM	Quantity	Level of Service	Estimated Total
Plat Book A/B	2	Per Plat	200	Plat Imaging	\$1,340.00
Commission Meetings	3	Per Image	1,800	Archival Imaging	\$2,682.00
Commission Meetings	23	Per Image	13,500	Archival Imaging	\$9,855.00
Soldiers and Sailors	5	Per Image	2,200	Archival Imaging	\$1,606.00
Soldiers and Sailors			1	QuickLink SM	\$0.00
		Each	1	QuickLink SM Initial Site Setup & Load	\$7,500.00
		Each	1	QuickLink SM Annual Licensing, Hosting, Support & Maintenance	\$4,990.00
Soldiers and Sailors/Plats		Per Link	2,400	QuickLink SM Full Line Linking	\$1,752.00
Deed Indexes			1	QuickLink SM	\$0.00
		Each	1	QuickLink SM Additional Load	\$0.00
		Per Page	9,600	QuickLink SM Lite Page Linking	\$6,240.00
Deed Indexes	8	Per Image	9,600	Archival Imaging	\$9,024.00
Deeds	AAA-ZZZ	Per Image	18,200	Archival Imaging	\$27,118.00
Product			Quantity	Estimated Total	
			PROJECT TOTAL	\$72,107.00	

BILLING

Pricing based on the assumptions and records provided by Jefferson County Clerk | FL, 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 Jefferson County Clerk | FL. 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.

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 Jefferson County Clerk | FL to confirm schedules, logistics, and deliverables, ensuring a seamless transition from procurement to project implementation.

PAYMENT TERMS

Kofile will invoice 50% of the total proposed estimate upon first pickup of any inventory. The remaining balance will be invoiced upon the earlier of thirty (30) days after completion or delivery. Proposal pricing from Kofile is a good-faith estimate based upon information provided to or understood by Kofile. Actual pricing may vary based upon the actual quantity or condition of records.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

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

Customer Acceptance

Name (Authorized Official):	Cecil "Trey" Hightower
Title:	Jefferson County Clerk of Court
Date:	01/29/2026
Signature:	<i>Trey Hightower</i> Digitally signed by Trey Hightower Date: 2026.01.29 12:13:33 -05'00'

Kofile Acceptance

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