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The  
American Philatelic  
Expertizing Service



P.O. Box 800

49209

STATE COLLEGE, PA. 16801

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Enclosed herewith for examination is the following item believed to be:

Country HAWAII Year Issued 1864-5

Denomination 2¢ Color BLACK

☐ Unused o.g. ☐ Unused part o.g. ☐ Used

☒ Unused no gum

Cat. No. 20 Cat. Value 300.00  
(Enter one number only)

Catalogue used SCOTT Year 1982  
(Must be current issue)

Other information \_\_\_\_\_

The item submitted has been previously expertized ☐ yes, ☒ no.

If yes, give committee name \_\_\_\_\_

certificate number \_\_\_\_\_, date \_\_\_\_\_

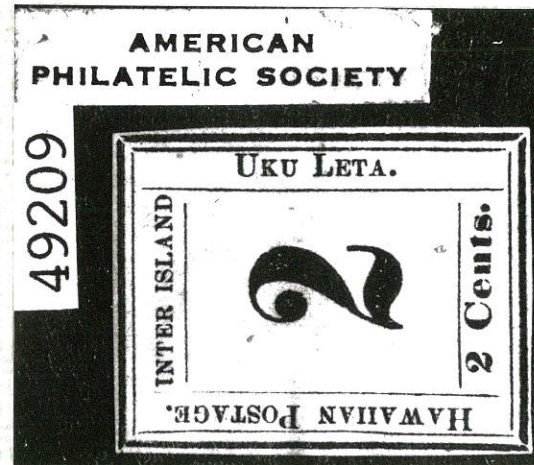
The following information is desired:

GENUINE?

MOUNT ONLY ONE STAMP, PAIR, BLOCK OR COVER IN THIS SPACE. MOUNT ITEM SO IT CAN BE EASILY REMOVED FOR EXAMINATION BUT BE SURE THE MOUNT IS CLOSED OR FOLDED SO THE ITEM WILL NOT ACCIDENTALLY SLIDE OUT. A SMALL ACETATE OR GLASSINE ENVELOPE IS RECOMMENDED.

DO NOT USE SCOTCH TAPE OR STAPLES.

CERTIFICATE IS INVALID IF LEFT-HAND PANEL IS SEPARATED FROM THIS PANEL.



Members of The American Philatelic Expertizing Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is

Scott No. 20, unused, no gum,  
genuine in all respects. Westernberg 5-C-I.

Date AUG 4 1982

James DeVos  
(APS Authorized Signature)  
J. S. Swanson  
(ASDA Authorized Signature)



## RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

1. Each stamp or cover submitted for examination must be mounted or affixed to a separate form and addressed directly to the American Philatelic Expertizing Service at P.O. Box 800, State College, Pa. 16801. A coil pair or block shall be considered a single item. Sets of stamps will not be accepted unless each stamp is individually mounted on a separate form.

2. Each item must be the bona fide property of the individual submitting it for examination. The owner may assign an identification number to each item submitted.

3. The fee for a certificate of opinion, in accordance with the following schedule, **must accompany** each item submitted.

<i>Current Scott Catalogue Value</i>	<i>APS/ASDA Members</i>	<i>Non- Members*</i>
\$200 or less	\$10.00	\$15.00
Over \$200 to \$1000 and all unpriced items	\$13.00	\$20.00
Over \$1000	\$17.00	\$25.00

The fee for an uncatalogued item will be the same as for an unpriced item. Stamps will not be accepted. Foreign checks, including Canadian, will not be accepted unless drawn upon a United States bank and payable in U.S. dollars at par.

4. One stamped addressed No. 10 (large 9½") envelope must accompany each item submitted plus one small stamped addressed envelope for each item or group of items submitted at one time. The small envelope will be used to acknowledge receipt by returning Owner's Receipt of Expertizing Service form after a number has been assigned. The second envelope (No. 10) will be used to return the item submitted with the report of the opinion rendered. Unless necessary, do not use an oversized envelope as they are easily folded and frequently damage the enclosure. No insurance against loss in the mails will be provided by the American Philatelic Expertizing Service. The owner must affix sufficient postage (metered postage not accepted) to

the second envelope so the item can be returned by registered mail. The requirement is optional only for those items valued at \$200 or less.

5. The American Philatelic Expertizing Service reserves the right at all times to decline to examine or give an opinion on any item. Single coil stamps will not be accepted for authentication. Imperforate varieties of stamps regularly issued perforated will not be accepted for authentication except as a joined pair or larger piece. Requests for the plate position of a stamp or overprint will not be accepted. Used stamps and stamps without gum must be thoroughly cleaned of all hinges.

6. Requests for the market or net value of an item will not be accepted nor will an opinion as to the mint never hinged condition be given.

7. The decisions rendered by The American Philatelic Expertizing Service are not guaranteed and are only opinions. No refunds unless no opinion given.

8. Since the meaning of the terms, superb, very fine, etc., are debatable, no opinion as to general condition will be given. Defects and alterations not readily apparent will be noted.

9. All reasonable care will be taken of items submitted for examination, but all items are accepted with the full understanding on the part of the owner that neither the American Philatelic Society, the American Stamp Dealers' Association, nor members of their Expertizing Committees are liable for any loss or damage resulting from any cause whatever except for gross negligence. Since the American Philatelic Expertizing Service is unable to obtain insurance coverage of any kind, an owner desiring coverage must carry his own insurance.

10. The American Philatelic Society and the American Stamp Dealers' Association reserve the right to make such changes without notice to the rules and requirements as they deem necessary, but such changes will be announced as soon as possible.

11. The request for an examination constitutes an acceptance by the owner of all rules and requirements of The American Philatelic Expertizing Service.

12. No item will be accepted if the owner insists upon a deadline date for its return. Owners should allow at least 90 days before expecting a reply. Since items are submitted to expert committee members for their opinion by registered mail, unavoidable delays are often experienced.

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\* If application for APS or ASDA membership accompanies first submission, indicate that your application for membership is "pending" and take advantage of the "Members" schedule of fees.

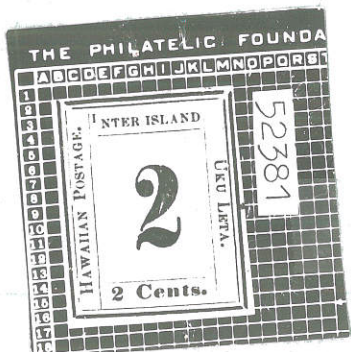
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Jan. 20, 1976

THE PHILATELIC FOUNDATION  
99 PARK AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018

EXPERT COMMITTEE

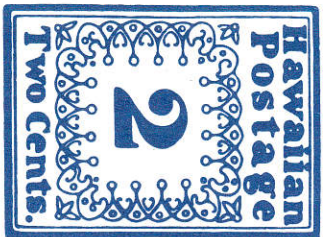
We have examined the enclosed Hawaii  
1864, 2¢, black, Scott 20, unused, no gum.  
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submitted by Franklin S. Seki -----  
of which a photograph is attached and are of the opinion  
that it is genuine, with a raised "I" in  
Inter and a thin spot at top right. -----  
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*[Signature]*  
For The Expert Committee  
Chairman

Plate 5-C pos VII





# HAWAIIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

ORGANIZED 1911

c/o BISHOP TRUST CO., P.O. BOX 2390, HONOLULU, HAWAII 968



CERTIFICATE NO. 126

We have examined the item Hawaii #20

submitted by H. G. Mearns

for expertization by this Committee, and are of the opinion that

it is genuine  
Westberg PPH 5-C, III

In certification thereof, we affix above a photograph of this item, tied with our Seal, on  
this date Feb 3/79

Donald R.  
Chairman  
Hawaiian Philatelic Society  
Expertizing Committee

To The Hawaiian Philatelic Society  
Expertizing Committee:

I am enclosing for examination and expertization  
☒ Stamp ☐ Postal Stationery ☐ Cover ☐ Block  
☐ Sheet ☐ Single ☐ Multiple. Catalogue No. 20  
Catalog used: ☒ Scott ☐ Meyer-Harris ☒ Wester-  
berg Other 5-C-III

Denomination of stamp or postal stationery \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Mint ☐ Original Gum ☐ Partial Gum ☐ No Gum  
☐ Hinge or Hinge Remnant ☐ No Hinge ☐ Used  
☐ Thin(s) ☐ Scuff(s) ☐ Tear(s) ☐ Pinhole(s)  
☐ Crease(s) ☐ Paper Imperfection(s) ☐ Toning  
☐ Missing Perforation(s) ☐ Short Perforations

Additional Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ The item submitted herewith (~~has~~ or (has not)  
been previously expertized.

The name of the expertizing body was: \_\_\_\_\_

The report was dated \_\_\_\_\_

Results were \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to have the following information concerning  
the enclosed item:

Is the stamp genuine?  
Yes.  
Westerberg Pl. # 5-C-III

I am enclosing the appropriate fee in accordance  
with Rule 13 of the Rules and Regulations along  
with the stamped and self-addressed envelopes stipu-  
lated in Rule 14.

I have read carefully and accept fully all the Rules  
and Regulations of the Hawaiian Philatelic Society  
Expertizing Committee and further certify by my  
signature that the item herewith submitted is my  
own property.

H. G. Weaver

Date

January 23/79.

Name H. G. WEAVER  
(Printed or typed)

Address Ste 1414-750 W. Broadway

City Vancouver State BC

Country Canada Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

APS No. \_\_\_\_\_ Membership in other

Philatelic Societies \_\_\_\_\_

Hawaiian Philatelic  
Society

(Affix here in a mount or glassline envelope the item  
you wish to have expertized. Only one stamp (or  
multiple of the same: pair, block, etc.) cover or  
postal card is to be affixed here. Each item requires  
a separate form.)





**NO. 8532**

THE ITEM DESCRIBED AND PICTURED BELOW HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND STUDIED BY GRETCHEN MITCHELL, THE HAWAII SPECIALIST, AND IT IS HER EXPERT OPINION THAT THE ITEM IS:

is genuine, position II

July 31, 1985

DATE

*Gretchen Mitchell*  
P.O. Box 1387  
Los Angeles, California 90078



Name Edward F. Palmer  
Address P. O. BOX 14754 Apt.         
City Ft Lauderdale State FL Zip 33302

Submitted as Hawaii# 20  
Catalog used Scott

☐ USED ☒ UNUSED

*E.F. Palmer*

SIGNATURE

If the item you have submitted has been found to be NOT GENUINE in the opinion of Gretchen Mitchell, The Hawaii Specialist, please consider the following recommendations: Add the item, certificate attached, to your reference collection of fake and bogus stamps OR donate the item with the certificate to a non-profit philatelic organization for their reference collection. Whatever your action, please use preventive measures to keep the item from being introduced to the public as unquestionably genuine.



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## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Each Hawaiian philatelic item submitted for the expert opinion of Gretchen Mitchell, The Hawaii Specialist, must be submitted on a separate certificate form. Only one stamp, pair, block or cover per certificate.
2. The fee PER CERTIFICATE is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. A check or money order payable to G. Mitchell for the entire amount must accompany all requests.
3. Additionally, the owner of the item(s) submitted for expertization must provide a #10 self-addressed envelope with the correct amount of postage affixed to pay for the postage and insurance or registration for the return of the item(s). Also, regarding the return envelope, the owner must provide a signed statement indicating the exact dollar amount of the insurance or registration.
4. If the item to be expertized is a Hawaiian stamp, it should be carefully inserted into the plastic slip attached to the center section. If the item to be expertized is a Hawaiian cover, it should be protected by a cover-holder provided by the owner and simply enclosed, unattached, with the certificate.

## IMPORTANT

1. Each Hawaiian stamp or cover submitted to Gretchen Mitchell, The Hawaii Specialist, for her expert opinion must be the property of the person who submitted it, herein referred to as the "owner."
2. This certificate states the expert opinion of Gretchen Mitchell, The Hawaii Specialist, as to the genuineness of the item. Opinions on the condition or the value of an item are not provided under any circumstances.
3. Owners may be assured that reasonable considerations will be given to the careful handling of the item(s) submitted for expertization; however, please be notified that Gretchen Mitchell/Los Angeles Stamp Company is not liable for any loss or damage resulting from any cause at any time and under any circumstances.
4. Please be further notified that expertization fees are not refunded under any circumstances.
5. The owner must provide the information requested in the center section of the certificate.
6. Submission of this certificate with the item to be expertized constitutes acceptance of the above terms and conditions by the owner.

## CERTIFICATE OF EXPERTIZATION







The  
American Philatelic  
Expertization Service



Enclosed herewith for examination is the following item believed to be:

Country HAWAII Year Issued 1864

Denomination 2 CENTS Color BLACK

☐ Mint never hinged ☐ Unused o.g.  
☐ Unused part o.g. ☐ Used  
☒ Unused no gum

Cat. No. 20 Cat. Value \$350.00

Catalogue used SCOTT'S U.S. SPECIALIZED

Other information 2SM. THIN SPOTS & LT. CREASE

The item submitted has been previously expertized ☐ yes, ☒ no.  
If yes, give committee name and date

The following information is desired:

PROPER IDENTIFICATION & OPINION AS TO  
GENUINENESS. IF COUNTERFEIT, ORIGIN  
IF KNOWN

My remittance in the amount of \$3.00, \$5.00, \$8.00, \$12.00 (circle one) is enclosed as per the schedule set forth in Rule No. 3. I am also enclosing the stamped addressed envelopes required by Rule No. 4.

I have read and fully understand the Rules and Requirements and I accept them without qualification. I further certify that the item submitted is the property of the undersigned and if coverage against loss or damage is desired I will provide my own insurance.

D. J. Parker

(signature)

Owner's Item No. 4 Date submitted

Name DENNIS T. PARKER

(Print or Type)

Address 10033 TECUM RD.

City DOWNEY State CA Zip No. 90241

APS No. 52911, ASDA Member

Use the No. assigned here →  
when referring to the opinion  
rendered by the Committee.

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AMERICAN  
PHILATELIC SOCIETY

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Members of The American Philatelic Expertization Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is

Scott No. 20, plate 5-C, position VI,  
unused, no gum, genuine, thin,  
crease.

James T. DeVos  
(APS Authorized Signature)

Donal R. Seegle  
(ASDA Authorized Signature)

Date JUN 25 1974



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