

## Fine Lines Begin To Close Up

*this problem usually occurs in reverse images where copy has dropped out of the artwork*

### Probably Cause

### Possible Solution

#### Pad

Too hard

Use a softer pad

Roughened porous surface

Use a new pad

#### Cliché

Etch depth is too deep

Make a new cliché with lower etching depth or use pause to allow ink set/drying time in cliché

#### Ink

Ink too thin

Reduce the amount of thinner

Too slow; ink smears out

Use a faster thinner, or pause above cliché

#### Material

Too smooth (e.g. glass)

Clean thoroughly, to aid in "catching" the ink

#### Other

Pad stroke is adjusted too high, forcing ink out of etched areas

Reduce pad stroke