CLAIMS

[Claim 1]

An image processing apparatus comprising:

an identification information receiving unit that receives identification information of an authorized person who is requested to handle an application procedure of an application case to an approver by an applicant in advance;

an applicant information receiving unit that receives information about at least one applicant who requests the authorized person having the identification information, which is received by the identification information receiving unit, to handle the application procedure of the application case for approval processing;

an image acquisition unit that acquires an image based on an operation of the authorized person;

a transmission unit that transmits the image which is acquired by the image acquisition unit as an image relating to the at least one applicant based on a transmission instruction from the authorized person having the identification information that is received by the identification information receiving unit;

a display unit;

a display control unit that controls the display unit to display the information regarding the applicant which is received by the applicant information receiving unit;

an acquisition status receiving unit that receives information relating to an acquisition status of an image for the application case; and

a selection receiving unit that receives a selecting operation which is performed on the information relating to the at least one applicant being displayed by the display control unit,

wherein the transmission unit transmits the image which is acquired by the image acquisition unit as an image relating to the applicant specified based on the information which is selected by the operation received by the selection receiving unit, and

the display control unit controls the display unit to display the information received by the applicant information receiving unit and the information relating to the acquisition status of the image for the information, which is received by the acquisition status receiving unit.

[Claim 2]

The image processing apparatus according to Claim 1,

wherein the display control unit performs control so as to display information, an image for which has not yet been acquired according to the acquisition status received by the acquisition status receiving unit, with priority from among the information received by the applicant information receiving unit.

[Claim 3]

The image processing apparatus according to Claim 1 or 2, further comprising:

a request information transmission unit that transmits information for requesting to proceed with approval processing for an application case with which an image has already been associated among application cases.

[Claim 4]

The image processing apparatus according to any one of Claims 1 to 3, further comprising:

an association unit that associates an application case relating to the applicant, the information of which is received by the applicant information receiving unit, with the image acquired by the image acquisition unit,

wherein the transmission unit transmits the image acquired by the image acquisition unit as an evidential document for the application case associated by the association unit.

[Claim 5]

The image processing apparatus according to any one of Claims 1 to 4, further comprising:

a reading condition setting unit that sets a reading condition by an image reading apparatus that reads the image in accordance with content of an application case as a condition under which the image acquisition unit acquires the image.

[Claim 6]

The image processing apparatus according to Claim 4 or 5, further comprising:

a notification unit that provides notification about a result of inspection for whether or not the image associated with the application case by the association unit meets a predetermined condition of the evidential document for the application case.

[Claim 7]

The image processing unit according to any one of Claims 4 to 6, further comprising:

an acquisition condition change unit that changes the image acquisition condition of the image acquisition unit to another acquisition condition required for the image to meet the predetermined condition in a case where the image associated with the application case by the association unit does not meet the predetermined condition of the evidential document for the application case.

[Claim 8]

The image processing apparatus according to any one of Claims 1 to 7, further comprising:

a charging unit that charges in accordance with image acquisition by the image acquisition unit.

[Claim 9]

A case processing apparatus comprising:

an applicant registration unit that registers information about an applicant;

an authorization registration unit that registers information about an authorized person who is requested to handle an application procedure for processing an application case relating to the applicant to an approver in advance, the information of the applicant being registered by the applicant registration unit;

an identification information receiving unit that receives identification information of the authorized person;

an applicant specifying unit that specifies at least one applicant who requests the authorized person having the identification information, which is received by the identification information receiving unit, to handle the application procedure of the

application case for approval processing in advance, based on the information registered by the authorization registration unit;

an applicant information transmission unit that transmits information about the applicant specified by the applicant specifying unit;

an image receiving unit that receives an image relating to the applicant, the information of which is transmitted by the applicant information transmission unit; and

a case processing unit that proceeds with approval processing for an application case, the image of which is received by the image receiving unit, from among application cases relating to the applicant, the information of which is transmitted by the applicant information transmission unit.

[Claim 10]

The case processing apparatus according to Claim 9, further comprising:

an image reading condition transmission unit that transmits an image reading condition in accordance with content of the application case relating to the applicant, the information of which is transmitted by the applicant information transmission unit.

[Claim 11]

The case processing apparatus according to Claim 9 or 10, further comprising:

an inspection unit that inspects whether or not the image received by the image receiving unit meets a predetermined condition.

[Claim 12]

The case processing apparatus according to Claim 11,

wherein the inspection unit inspects whether or not content of the image received by the image receiving unit overlaps with content of another image associated with the application case.

[Claim 13]

The case processing apparatus according to Claim 11,

wherein the inspection unit inspects whether or not content of the image associated with the application case is suitable for content of the application case.