How Do I Enable the Embedded Scanner on my Laptop?

You can enable the embedded fingerprint scanner by following these steps:

1)   Press the Windows key to display the Start Menu.

2)   Select the **Control Panel** option from the column on the right to display the Control Panel in Category View format.
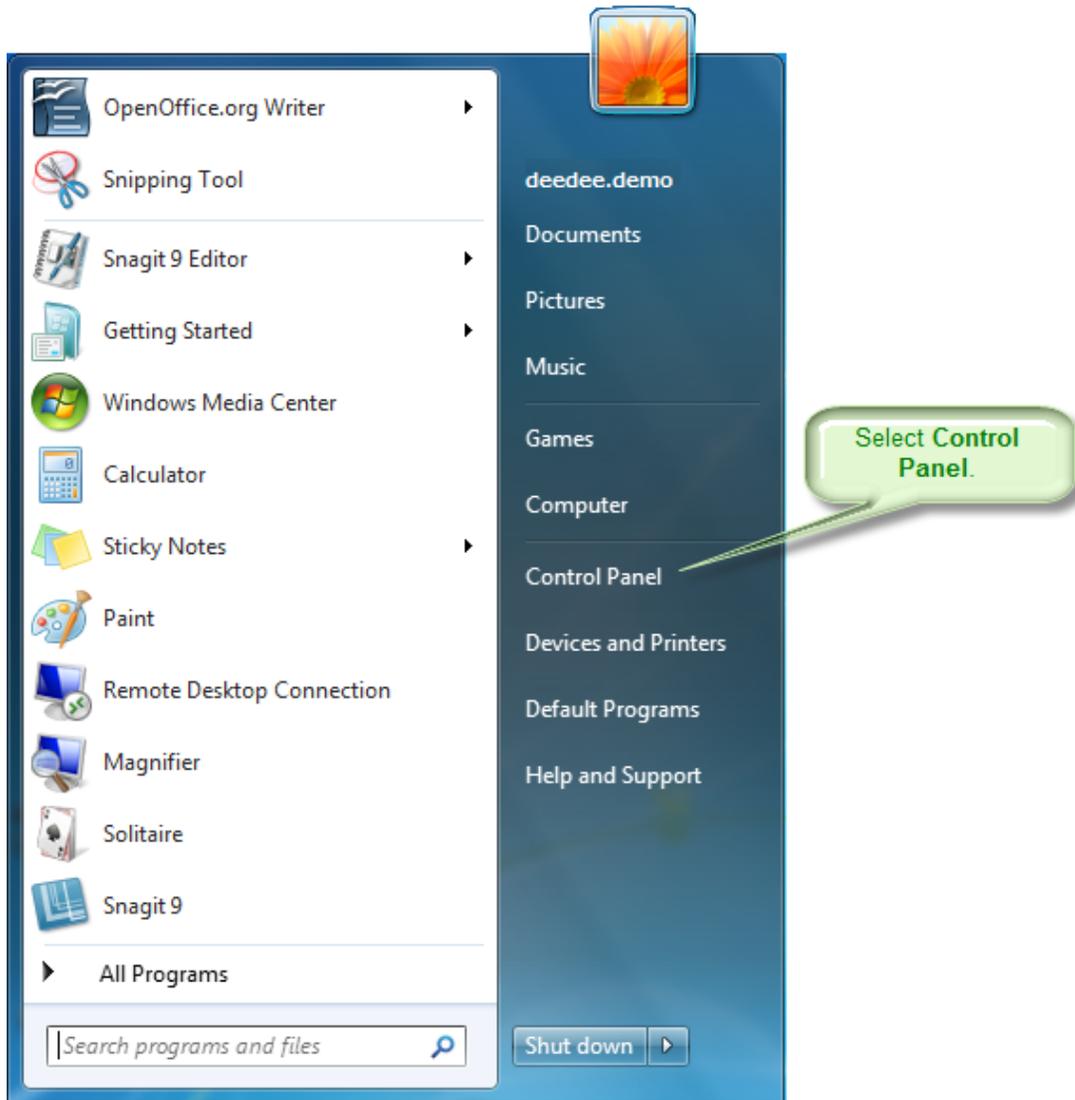
3) Click the **Hardware and Sound** option.
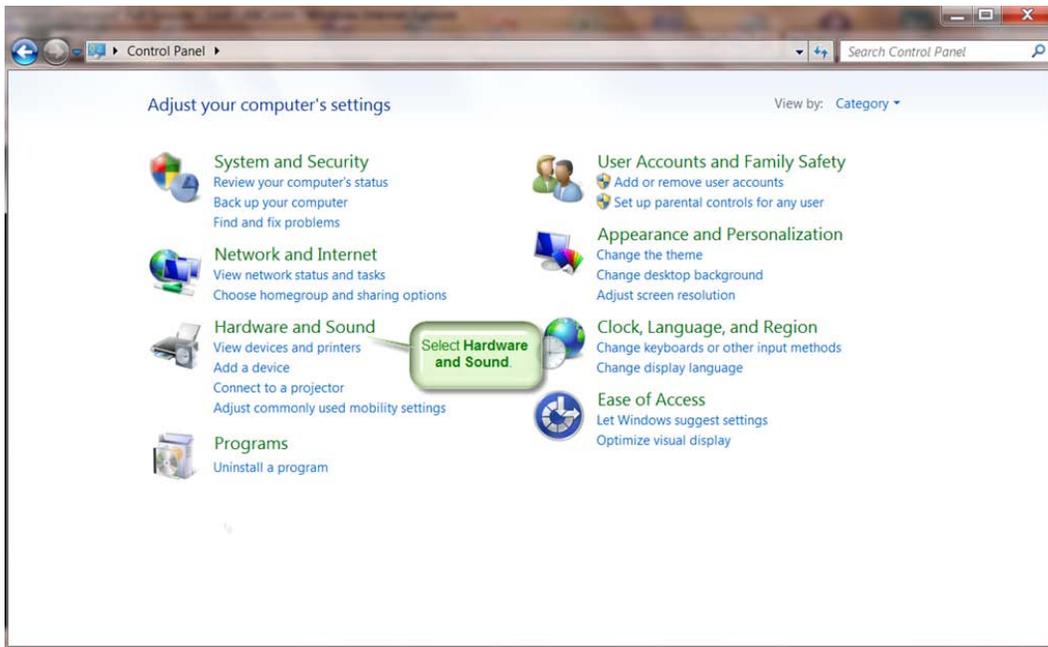
4) In the Devices and Printers section of the Hardware and Sound panel, select the **Device Manager** option.
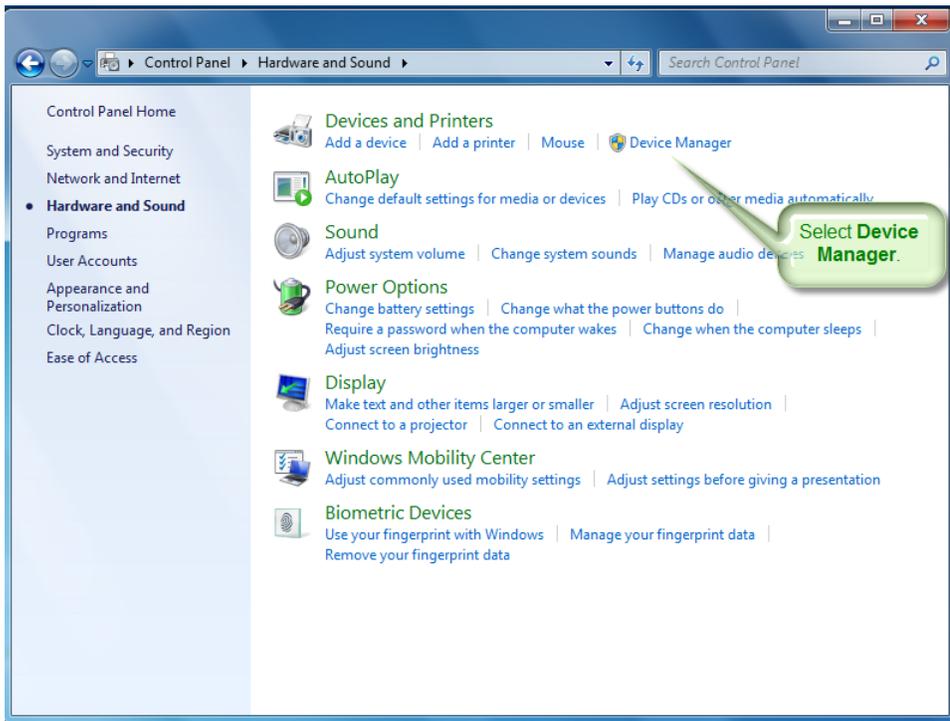
5) In the Biometric Devices section, select your scanner to display its properties.
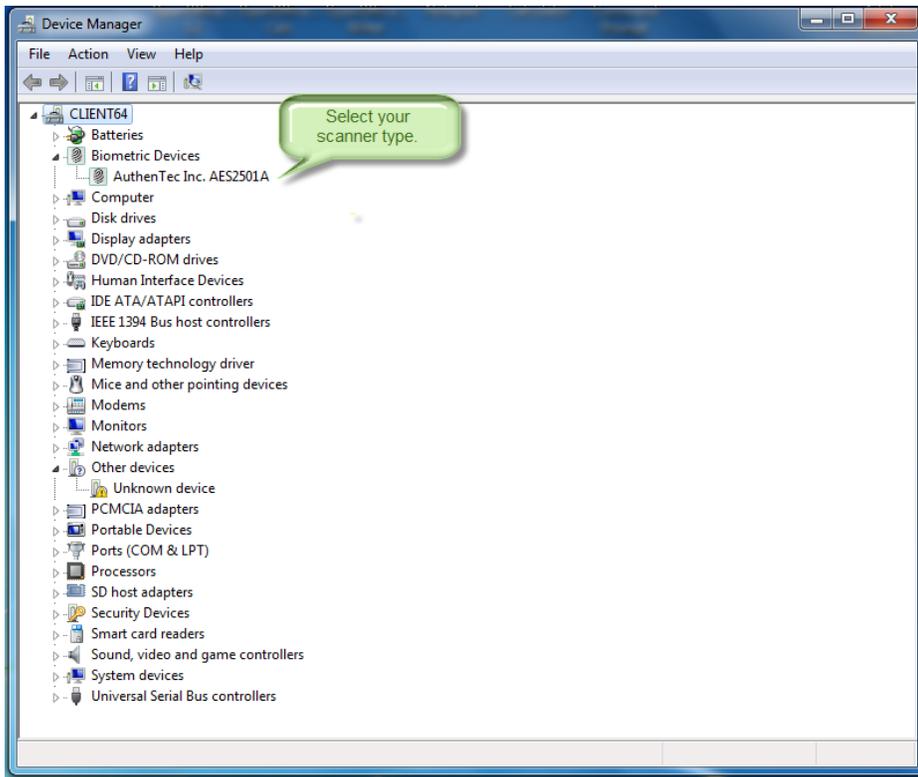
6) To check if you have the latest drivers available for your scanner type, select the **Driver** tab on the scanner properties dialog.
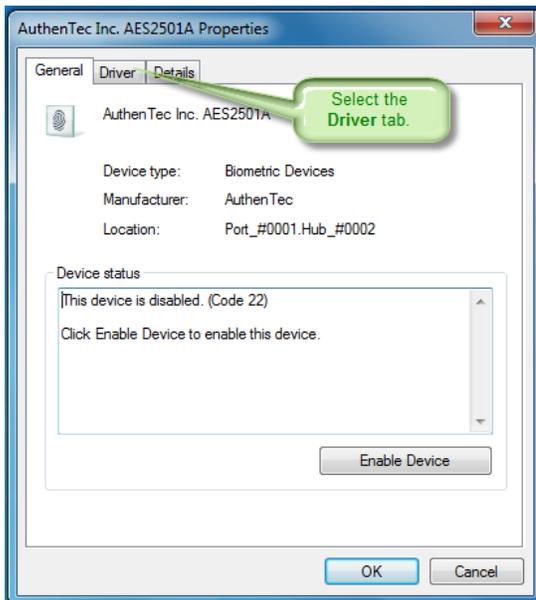
7) On the Driver tab, click the **Update Driver** button to display the Update Driver Software dialog.
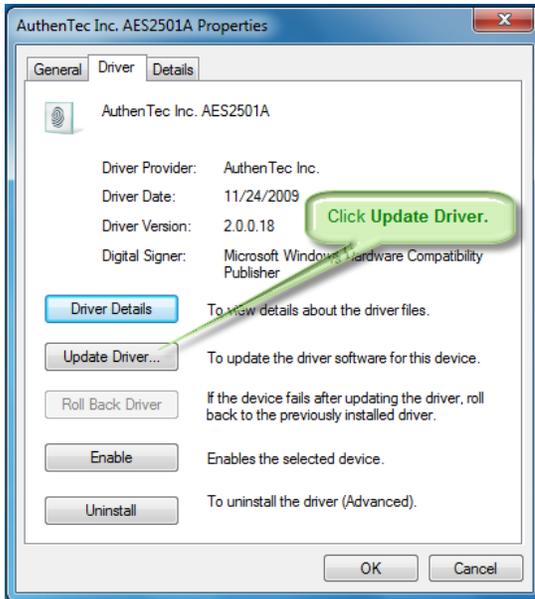
8) Select the first option so that Windows will automatically search the manufacturer's website for any available driver updates.
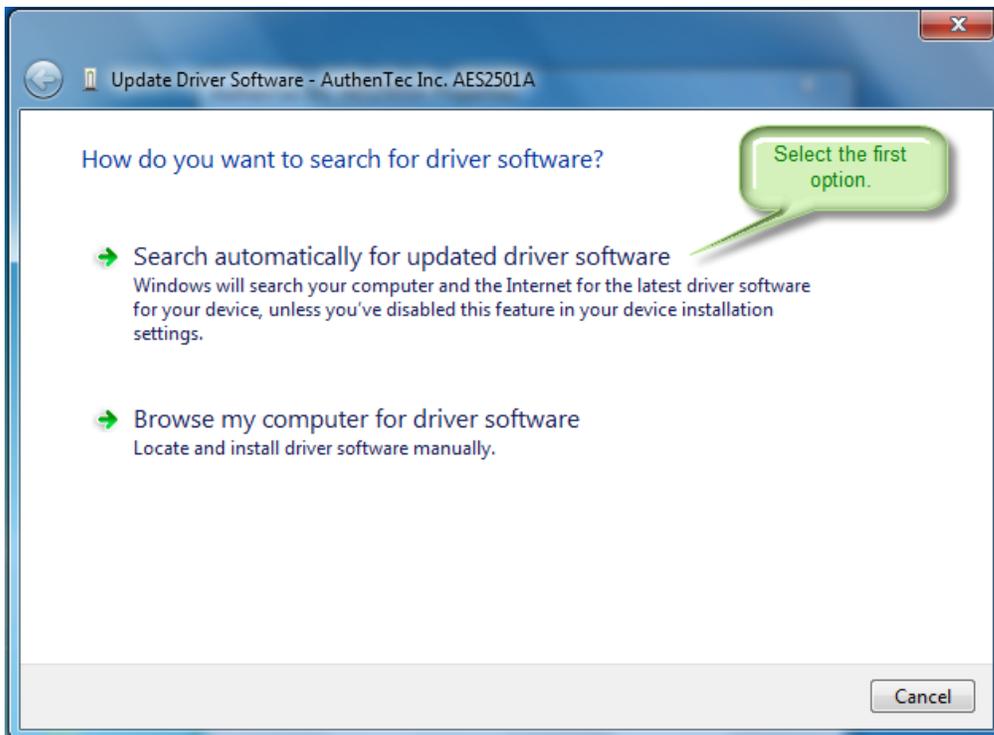
9) The Update Scanner Software dialog shows the progression (**Searching for Online Software**) while Windows is searching for updates.
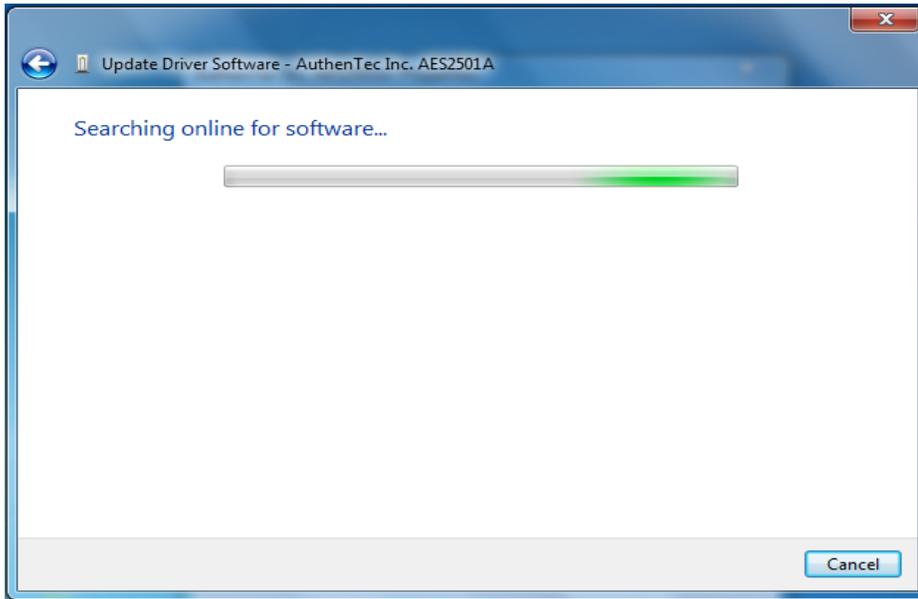
The dialog automatically displays an updated status once the search has finished and any necessary updates have been performed.

10) Click the **Close** button to close the dialog and return to the scanner properties dialog.
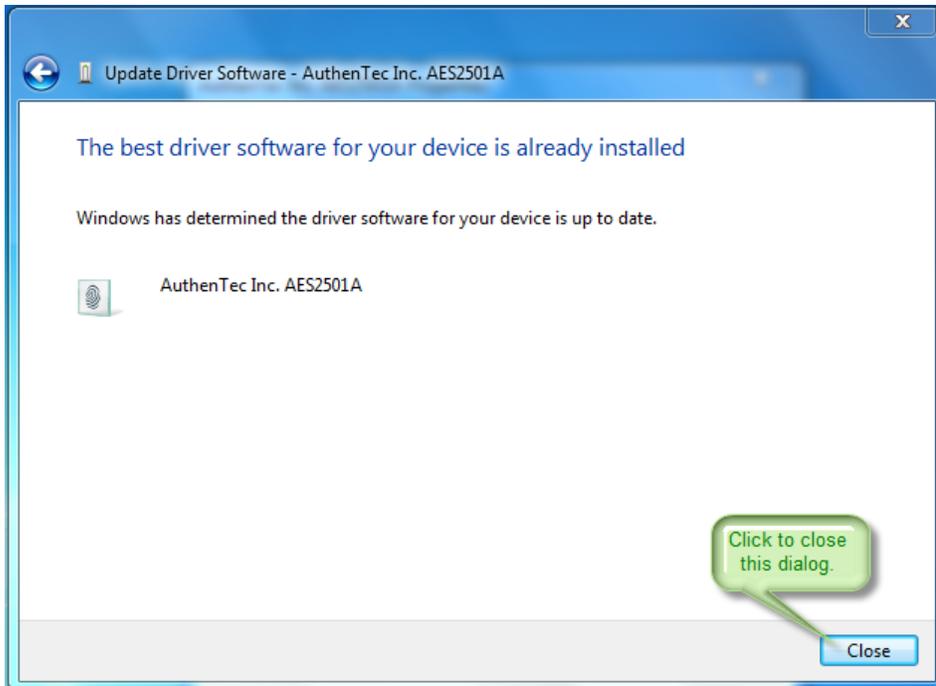
11) On scanner properties dialog, click the **Enable** button to ready the device drivers.
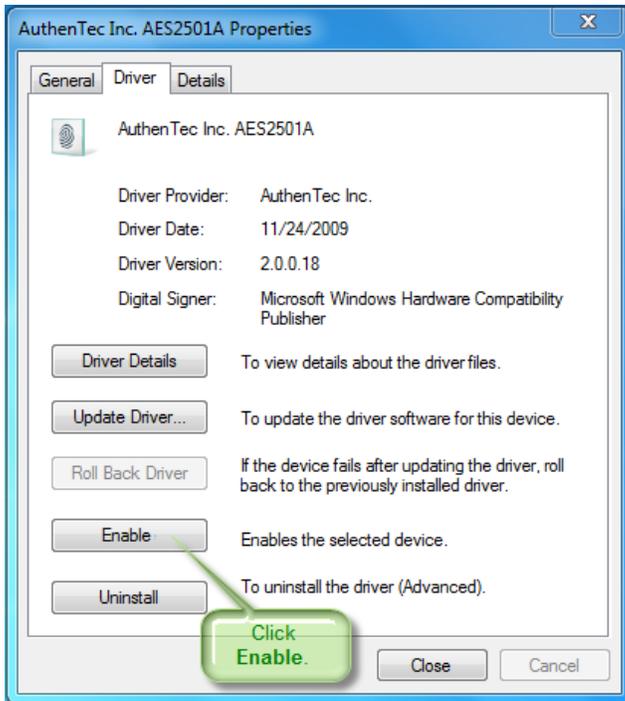
When the Enable button label changes to **Disable,** your fingerprint scanner is enabled.
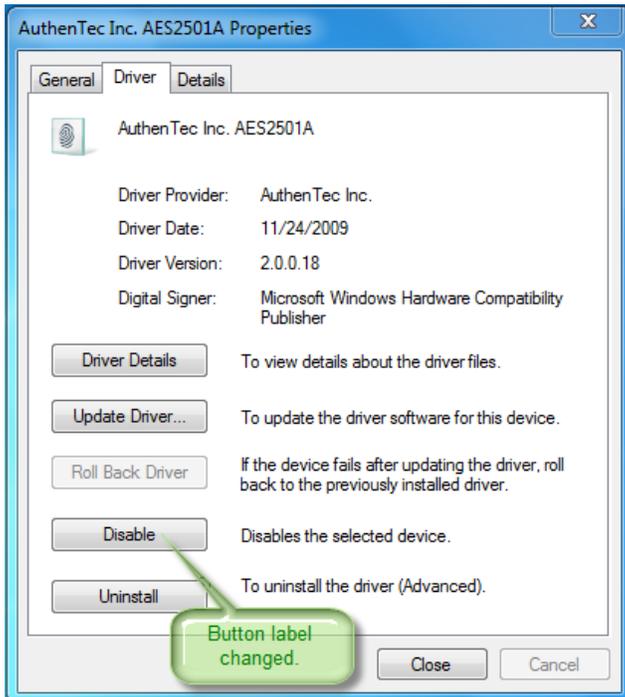
12) Select the **General** tab.
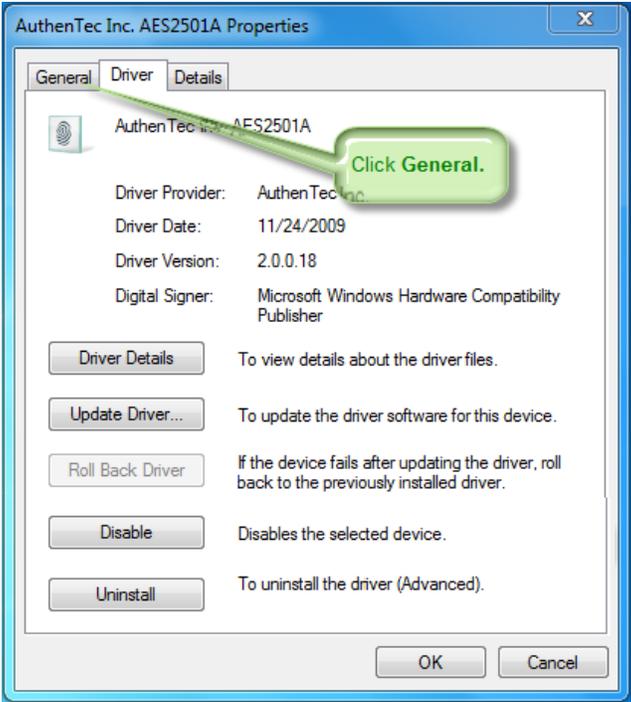
13) Check the **Device Status** box to verify that your fingerprint scanner is working.
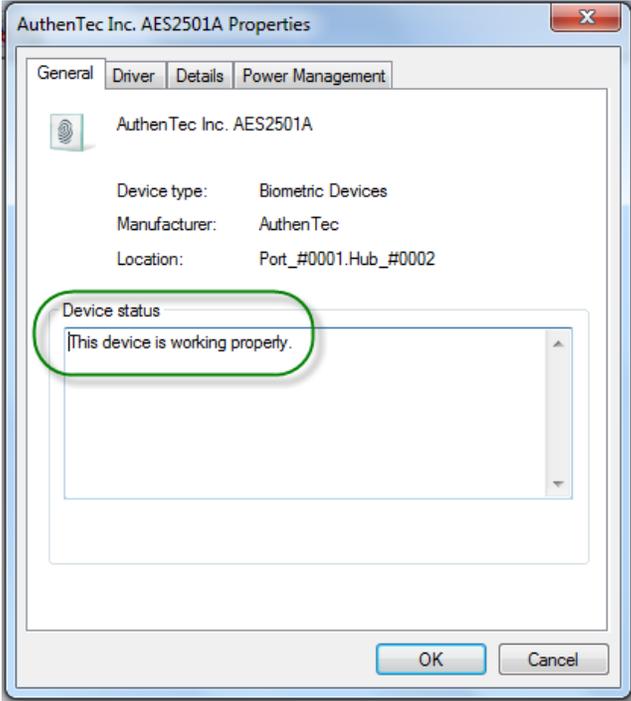
14) Close the scanner properties dialog to return to the Device Manager window.
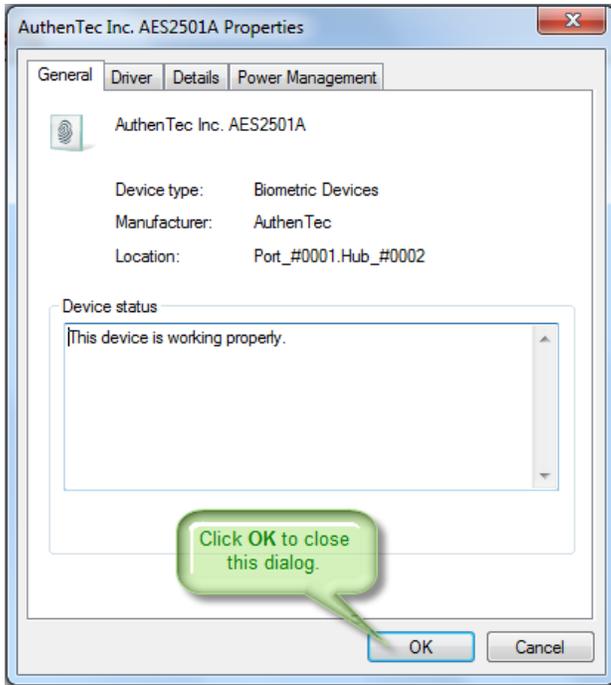
15) Close the Device Manager.
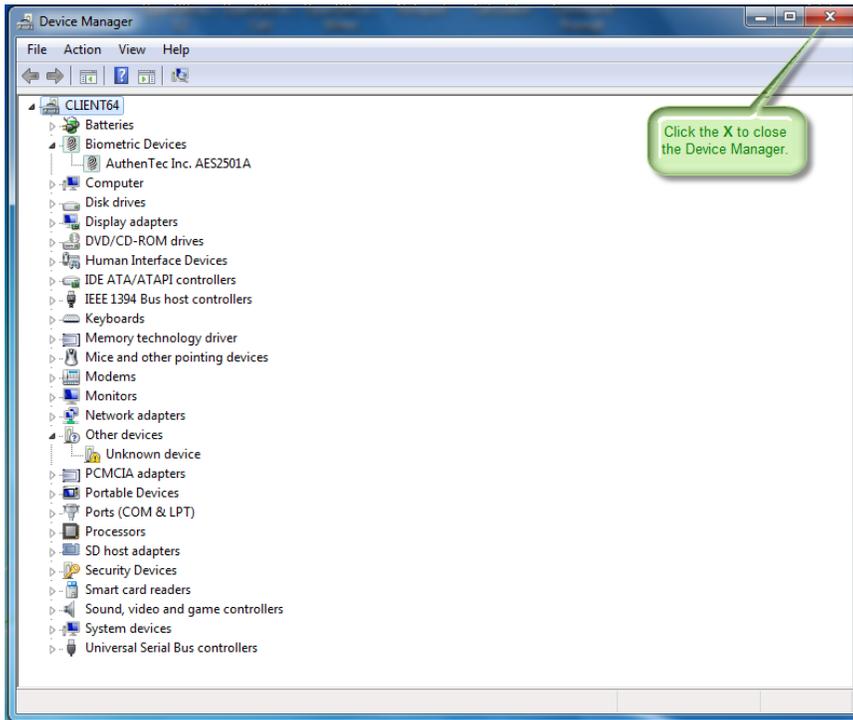
Now that you've enabled the fingerprint scanner on your laptop, you will need to install **ValidateMe!**. For the how-to, see the section, **How do I install ValidateMe! on my computer?**, later in this chapter.