



TEXAS FORENSIC SCIENCE COMMISSION

Justice Through Science

BLOODSTAIN PATTERN ANALYSIS COMMITTEE

MEETING AGENDA

January 22, 2018 at 9:00 AM

Office of Court Administration
Tom C. Clark Building
1st Floor Conference Room
205 West 14th Street
Austin, Texas 78701

The Commission may meet in closed session on any item listed below, if authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Annotated, Chapter 551. During this meeting, the Commission may consider and take action on the following items. The Commission may take breaks as necessary.

1. Introduction and background regarding Commission's statutory authority.
2. Discussion regarding reliability and validity of the discipline of bloodstain pattern analysis as well as observations in 2009 National Academy of Sciences Report.
3. Discussion regarding the role of the Scientific Working Group on Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (SWGSTAIN) and the Organization of Scientific Area Committees (OSAC) subcommittee on bloodstain pattern analysis in addressing reliability, validity, training and education for the discipline.
4. Discussion regarding the role of accreditation and certification in addressing reliability, validity, training and education for the discipline.
5. Discussion regarding the experiences and perspective of local practitioners in Texas.
6. Deliberations by panel members and formulation of recommendations to the full Commission regarding reliability, validity, accreditation, training and education.
7. Schedule and location of future panel meetings.
8. Hear public comment.
9. Adjourn.