



TEXAS FORENSIC SCIENCE COMMISSION

Justice Through Science

DNA MIXTURE INTERPRETATION PANEL MEETING AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 18, 2015; 9:30 AM
SOUTHWESTERN INSTITUTE OF FORENSIC SCIENCES (SWIFS)
2355 North Stemmons Freeway
1st Floor Conference Room
Dallas, Texas 75207

1. Introduce panel members, lab representatives, experts and other stakeholders present.
2. Why we are here; developments in DNA mixtures interpretation over the last few weeks.
3. What the Commission has recommended regarding currently pending cases and how the laboratories and stakeholders are responding.
4. Prosecutor constitutional and state law disclosure obligations and perspective.
5. Identifying resources needed and potential funding sources.
6. Retroactive case review: Why? How? What are the scientific and technology challenges and how can we meet them?
7. Identifying education and training needs and possible resources to ensure current and proper protocols.
8. The implications of moving to probabilistic genotyping and how to successfully transition.
9. A discussion of which stakeholders to include in the process (when and how) and how best to communicate issues (FAQ's, webinars, in-person meetings, etc)
10. A discussion of process going forward including establishment of sub-committees and task forces as needed.
11. Recommendations for Commission at next quarterly meeting in Austin (10/2).
12. Action items for staff.
13. Public comment
14. Adjourn