



TEXAS FORENSIC SCIENCE COMMISSION

Justice Through Science

BLOODSTAIN PATTERN ANALYSIS COMMITTEE

MEETING AGENDA

February 1, 2018 at 3:00 PM

Stephen F. Austin Building
1700 North Congress Ave., Room 170
Austin, Texas 78701
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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. Update from January 22, 2018 Bloodstain Pattern Analysis hearing and discussion of presentations on foundational reliability, accreditation, certification, the work of the Organization of Scientific Area Committees, the Scientific Working Group on Bloodstain Pattern Analysis and related deliberations.
2. Discussion of possible regulatory outcomes for bloodstain pattern analysis in Texas, including accreditation and exemption options and related implications for licensing.
3. Discussion of the impact on practitioners of requiring accreditation by national accrediting bodies including perceived barriers and possibilities for overcoming same.
4. Discussion of resource factors in developing an accreditation process for bloodstain pattern analysis outside of existing national accrediting bodies.
5. Deliberations by panel members and formulation of recommendations to the full Commission.
6. Schedule and location of future panel meetings.
7. Hear public comment.
8. Adjourn.