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Attn: Scientific Inquiry and Research Subcommittee

The American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors represents more than 600 members of crime laboratory directors and forensic science managers dedicated to providing excellence in forensic science through leadership and innovation. The membership represents both private and public institutions from all 50 states in the U.S. and eighteen countries from across the globe. Our mission is to promote the effectiveness of crime laboratory leaders throughout the world by facilitating communication among members, sharing critical information, providing relevant training, promoting crime laboratory accreditation, and encouraging scientific and managerial excellence in the global forensic science community.

ASCLD is dedicated to advancing forensic science through a multitude of initiatives including the National Commission on Forensic Science. ASCLD currently has twenty-five members serving on the Commission and its subcommittees. The efforts of the Commission are important and have significant implications for the entire criminal justice community. As a result, the ASCLD Board of Directors offers the following comments, recommendations, and impact statements for consideration by the subcommittee for the "Recommendation to Fund Post-Doctoral Projects to Facilitate Translation of Research into Forensic Science Practice".

ASCLD remains ready to be a continuing resource to assist the Commission and the Department of Justice in the development of these important work products for the forensic science community so that a broader based acceptance and implementation of these products may be realized.

Regards,

ASCLD Board of Directors



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"Excellence Through Leadership in Forensic Science Management"

ASCLD Board Comments

Recommendation to Fund Post-Doctoral Projects to Facilitate Translation of Research into Forensic Science Practice

The current recommendation to Fund Post-Doctoral Projects to facilitate translation of Research into Forensic Science Practice prepared by the Scientific Inquiry and Research Subcommittee of the National Commission on Forensic Science is supported by the ASCLD BOD.

Comments:

This should not be limited to only on-site work. The document may state on-site work at the forensic laboratory or alternate location established by the laboratory.

We believe one of the proposed outcomes of the award must include publication of results of the projects in peer-reviewed journal.

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