

**CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON THE
FAIR ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE**

Witness List for Hearing on Forensic Science Issues.

On Wednesday, January 10, 2007, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the California Commission on the Fair Administration of Justice will convene a public hearing on issues surrounding the availability and reliability of forensic scientific evidence in California criminal investigations and trials. The hearing will take place in Hearing Room 4203 of the State Capitol Building in Sacramento, California. The following witnesses are scheduled to testify. Following each witness' name is a list of the supplementary exhibits relating to their testimony which are attached to this list.

1. Peter Neufeld, Co-Director, The Innocence Project, New York, N.Y.

- A. The (Near) Irrelevance of Daubert to Criminal Justice and Some Suggestions for Reform, American Journal of Public Health (2005).
- B. Contextual Information Renders Experts Vulnerable to Making Erroneous Identifications, Forensic Science International (2006).
- C. Information on the New York State Commission on Forensic Science.

2. Dr. William C. Thompson, Professor and Chair, Dept. of Criminology, Law & Society, University of California at Irvine.

- D. Message From Dr. Thompson.
- E. Tarnish on the Gold Standard: Understanding Recent Problems in Forensic DNA Testing, NACDL Champion, Jan. 2006.

3. Dr. Frederick A. Tulleners, Director, Forensic Science Graduate Program, University of California at Davis.

- F. Letter From Dr. Tulleners.

4. Susan Rutberg, Professor of Law, Golden Gate University School of Law.

- G. Letter From Susan Rutberg.
- H. Standards and Recommendations in Crime Laboratory Accreditation and Criminalists Certification, by Jung Pham.
- I. Beyond Capital: Examining a Defendant's Right to Expert Assistance at Trial, by Sara Markert.

- J. The Nation's Forensic Laboratories Are in Desperate Need of Fundamental Change, by Daniel Blanchette.
- 5. Bicka Barlow, Office of the Public Defender, San Francisco.**
K. Message From Bicka Barlow.
- 6. Gail Abarbanel, Director, Rape Treatment Center, UCLA Medical Center.**
L. Description of Rape Treatment Center.
- 7. Michael Chamberlain, Deputy Attorney General, DNA Legal Unit, California Department of Justice.**
- 8. Rockne Harmon, Senior Deputy District Attorney, Alameda County.**
- 9. Herman Atkins, Chair, California Council of the Wrongfully Convicted.**
- 10. Thomas J. Nasser, President, California Association of Crime Laboratory Directors.**
- 11. Lance Gima, Chief, Bureau of Forensic Services, California Dept. of Justice**
M. Information Re: DOJ DNA Program, Scott Thorpe.
- 12. Barry A.J. Fisher, Director, Crime Laboratory, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.**
N. Current Status of Accreditation.
O. ABA Standards on Criminal Justice, DNA Evidence (Feb. 23, 2006).
P. Message From Steve Johnson, LAPD Property Division.

ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY EXHIBITS:

- Q. Letter From Gigi Gordon, Directing Attorney, Post Conviction Assistance Center, Re: Implementation of Penal Code Section 1405.
- R. USA Today Article, "Many DNA Matches Aren't Acted Upon," Nov. 21, 2006.
- S. San Francisco Daily Journal Article, "New Arson Science Could Prove Powerful in Overturning Wrongful Convictions," Dec. 11, 2006.
- T. Comments of Hiram K. Evans, Treasurer, California Association of Crime Laboratory Directors.