

NATIONAL DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION



FORENSIC EVIDENCE COURSE

December 9-12, 2019

NEW ORLEANS, LA

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF INSTRUCTION

MONDAY, December 9th

Coffee and tea available at 7:45 a.m. until consumed

Event #

8:00 a.m. Registration

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Orientation

1

8:45 a.m. Body-Worn Camera Evidence

10:00 a.m. Break

2

10:15 a.m. Death Investigation Part I: Working with Your Medical Experts-Overview and Injury Causation: Blunt and Sharp Force Injuries

12:00 p.m. Lunch (*on your own*)

3

1:30 p.m. Death Investigation Part II: Equivocal Deaths And Staged Crime Scenes -Asphyxial Deaths and Firearm Injuries

2:45 p.m. Refreshment Break

4

3:00 p.m. Ethical and Professional Responsibility Issues In Cases with Multiple Type of Forensic Evidence

4:30 p.m. Adjourn

5:00 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Networking Mixer

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TUESDAY, December 10th

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| 5 | 8:15 a.m. | The Application of Bloodstain Patterns to Violent Crime Scenes |
| | 10:15 a.m. | Break |
| 6 | 10:30 a.m. | Anticipating and Overcoming Unsubstantiated Use of the Soft Sciences: Unusual Syndromes |
| | 12:15 p.m. | Lunch (<i>on your own</i>) |
| 7 | 1:30 p.m. | Using Technology to Persuasively Present the Case with Multiple Types of Forensic Evidence |
| | 3:00 p.m. | Refreshment Break |
| 8 | 3:15 p.m. | Now You See It...Now You Don't
Countering Lack of Forensic Evidence |
| | 4:15 p.m. | <i>Stretch Break</i> |
| 9 | 4:20 p.m. | Digital Traces: The Challenges of Digital Evidence
Locating It, Legally Accessing It, and Using It in Your Case |
| | 5:40 p.m. | Adjourn |

VOLUNTARY ADVANCED VISUALS TRIAL LAB

5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, December 11th

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8:30 a.m. Post *Crawford* Challenges to Scientific Evidence

10:00 a.m. *Break*

11

10:15 a.m. Following the Evidence: Investigating and Prosecuting Serial Homicides

12:00 p.m. Lunch (*on your own*)

12

1:15 p.m. Trace Evidence: How to Collect, Preserve, and Present in Court

2:15 p.m. *Refreshment Break*

13

2:30 p.m. DNA 101: Understanding the Science and the Numbers-Foundational Science and Statistics

4:00 p.m. *Break*

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4:15 p.m. Preparing and Presenting Firearm Evidence and the Ballistics Expert

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

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THURSDAY, December 12th

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| 15 | 8:30 a.m. | Advanced DNA Evidence: Current Technology, Investigative Genetic Genealogy, Defensive Challenges (Manipulation of Results, Organizational Vulnerabilities for Forensic Labs, etc.) |
| 16 | 10:00 a.m. | Panel: DNA – Q and A |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Break |
| 17 | 10:45 a.m. | Anticipating and Overcoming the “Broken Brain” Defense |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Lunch (<i>on your own</i>) |
| | | <i>Coffee, tea and soft drinks available</i> |
| 18 | 1:00 p.m. | Cross Examination of Defense Scientific Experts |
| 19 | 2:30 p.m. | Demonstration: Cross of Expert Witnesses |
| | 3:00 p.m. | Adjourn |

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