

# **November 7, 2025**

# **Division of Criminal Justice Services** 80 South Swan Street, Room 118, Albany, NY

## **Videoconference Locations:**

301 West 17th Street, Austin, TX 9040 Town Center Parkway, Lakewood Ranch, FL

9:12 AM - 10:10 AM

# **DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

## **DNA Subcommittee Members in Attendance:**

Michael Coble, Ph.D. Kathleen Corrado, Ph.D. Jenifer Smith, Ph.D. Amanda Sozer, Ph.D.

#### DCJS Staff in Attendance:

Taylor Aaron
Dean DeFruscio
Colleen Glavin, Esq.
Katherine Mayberry
Shelley Palmer
Brianna Robinson
Lindsey Rockwell
Matthew Schrantz, Esq.
Elizabeth Suparmanto

### Other Attendees:

Michelle Adams- New York State Police Crime Laboratory
Jamie Belrose- New York State Police Crime Laboratory
Jill Dooley- New York State Police Crime Laboratory
Jolin Koch- New York State Police Crime Laboratory
Julie Pizziketti- New York State Police Crime Laboratory
Anthula Vandoros- New York State Police Crime Laboratory

Approximate Video Times 00:00:01 – 00:01:16

The Chair, Dr. Coble, opened the meeting by stating that the DNA Subcommittee was conducting its meeting in hybrid with members present both in Albany and virtually. Dr. Coble then conducted a roll call to take attendance, and a quorum was established with four voting members (Coble, Corrado, Smith, and Sozer).

Dr. Coble then asked for a motion to approve the November 7, 2025, agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. Corrado, seconded by Dr. Smith, and approved unanimously.

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The Chair then asked Subcommittee members for questions or comments on the minutes from the August 1, 2025, meeting of the Subcommittee. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Corrado, and approved unanimously.

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Next, the Subcommittee reviewed Accreditation/Laboratory updates from Monroe County Crime Laboratory, New York City OCME Department of Forensic Biology, Onondaga County Center for Forensic Sciences Laboratory, Suffolk County Crime Laboratory, and Nassau County Office of the Medical Examiner Division of Forensic Services. Representatives from the laboratories were available to answer questions as needed.

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During Accreditation/Laboratory updates, the Subcommittee reviewed the final documentation from the ANAB reaccreditation assessment activity of the Suffolk County Crime Laboratory. The Chair called for a motion to issue a binding recommendation to the Commission on Forensic Science to renew the New York State Accreditation of the Suffolk County Crime Laboratory in the discipline of Biology for the period concurrent with its ANAB accreditation set to expire December 31, 2029. Dr. Smith made the motion, Dr. Corrado seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

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The Chair then moved to Old Business. A verbal update was provided by Ms. Palmer on the Partial Match and Familial Search programs. There were no updates regarding CODIS Bulletins.

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In response to the request made at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting relating to their validation of Next Generation Sequencing, the New York State Police Crime Laboratory presented additional information to the Subcommittee. Following discussion, Subcommittee members stated their willingness to convene a supplementary meeting once additional members were available to vote to approve the use of the technology.

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The Biology Technical Working Group submitted a memo with the Qiagen information requested from the August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting for review. Mr. Schrantz then provided an update regarding the NIST review reports submitted to the Commission following the August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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The Chair then moved to New Business. Ms. Palmer provided information regarding the Annual CODIS Security Audits.

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The Subcommittee then reviewed disclosures from Monroe County Crime Laboratory, New York City OCME Department of Forensic Biology, Westchester County Department of

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Approximate Video Times

Laboratories & Research Division of Forensic Science, and New York State Police Crime Laboratory. Laboratory representatives were available to answer questions.

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The Chair then stated that the next meeting of the Subcommittee will take place on February 6, 2026, with the location to be determined. A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Corrado, and approved unanimously.

Note: Video of the meeting is available at https://www.youtube.com/user/nyspublicsafety