

**THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES**  
*Advisers to the Nation on Science, Engineering, and Medicine*

**Committee on Identifying the Needs of the Forensic Sciences Community**  
**January 25-26, 2007**  
**National Academy of Sciences**  
**2100 C Street, NW**  
**Washington, DC.**  
**Agenda**

**OPEN SESSION**

**January 25, 2007, Board Room**

**8:30 Welcome and Introductions**

Committee Co-chairs: Harry T. Edwards and Constantine Gatsonis

**8:45 Charge to Committee**

David W. Hagy, Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Policy Coordination, Office of Justice Programs, and Principal Deputy Director, National Institute of Justice

**9:10 Discussion**

**9:30 Importance of Study to the Forensics Community**

Joe Polski, Chair, Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations

**9:45 Discussion**

**10:00 Break**

**10:15 Current State of Forensics: Census of Publicly Funded Forensic Crime Labs**

Joseph L. Peterson, Director and Professor, School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics, California State University

Matthew J. Hickman, U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics

**10:45 Discussion**

**11:15 Overview of Forensics Training and Education**

Max Houck, Director of the Forensic Science Initiative, West Virginia University

Larry Quarino, Assistant Professor, Cedar Crest College

**12:00 Discussion**

**12:15 Lunch**

**1:00 Daily Operations of Forensic Labs**

Joseph A. DiZinno - Assistant Director, Laboratory Division, FBI

Jan L. Johnson, Laboratory Director, Illinois State Police, Forensic Science Center at Chicago

Irma Rios, Assistant Director, City of Houston Crime Lab

**2:15 Discussion**

**2:45 Break**

**3:00 NIJ Research Program and Budget, Future Needs and Priorities**

John Morgan, Deputy Director for Science and Technology, National Institute of Justice

**3:20 Discussion**

**3:45 Views from the Major Forensic Science Organizations: Issues and Challenges**

Bruce A. Goldberger, President-Elect, American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS)

Bill Marbaker, President, American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors (ASCLD)

Robert Stacey, President, American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors, Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD-LAB)

Arthur Eisenberg, Board Member, Forensic Quality Services (FQS)

Joe Polski, Chief Operations Officer, International Association for Identification (IAI)

Jamie Downs, Board of Directors and Chair, Government Affairs Committee

National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME)

**5:00 Discussion**

**5:30 Open Session Ends**

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#### **January 26, 2007, Board Room**

8:00 **Continental Breakfast**

8:30 **Opportunities for Improvement: Critical Areas**

Michael Risinger, Professor of Law, Seton Hall Law School  
Peter Neufeld, Co-Founder and Co-Director, The Innocence Project  
David Stoney, Chief Scientist, Stoney Forensics, Inc.

9:30 **Discussion**

10:00 **Open Session Ends**