

Committee on Identifying the Needs of the Forensic Sciences Community

**J. Erik Jonsson Woods Hole Center
of the National Academy of Sciences**

**314 Quissett Avenue
Woods Hole, Massachusetts**

**September 20-21, 2007
Agenda**

OPEN SESSION

Thursday, September 20, 2007 – Clark Carriage House

1:30 Welcome

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

1:35 Lessons Learned From the Houston Police Department Investigation

Michael R. Bromwich, Independent Investigator
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson

2:45 200 Exonerations: A Look at the Cases Involving Faulty Forensic Evidence

Brandon L. Garrett, Associate Professor of Law, University of Virginia
Peter Neufeld, Co-Director, The Innocence Project

4:00 Break

4:15 Ethics in Forensic Science

Peter D. Barnett, Partner, Forensic Science Associates

5:00 Reducing Error Rates: A New Institutional Arrangement for Forensic Science

Roger G. Koppl, Director, Institute for Forensic Science Administration
Fairleigh Dickinson University

6:00 Working Dinner – Main House

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7:45 **Breakfast – Main House**

8:15 **Welcome**

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8:20 **The U.K. Forensics System**

Carole McCartney, Centre for Criminal Justice Studies, School of Law
University of Leeds

9:20 **The Role of Forensics In Homeland Security**

Charles Cooke, Bio-Specialist, Office of the Deputy Director for Strategy & Evaluation,
National Counterproliferation Center
James Burans, Bioforensics Program Manager, National Bioforensics Analysis Center
Larry Chelko, Director, US Army Criminal Investigation Lab
Rick Tontarski, Chief, Forensic Analysis Division, US Army Criminal Investigation
Lab

10:45 **Break**

11:00 **Forensics at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)**

Michael D. Garris, Image Group Manager
Barbara Guttman, Line Manager, National Software Reference Library
William MacCrehan, Research Chemist, Analytical Chemistry Division

12:20 **Lunch – Main House**