



Commission on Forensic Science

December 11, 2025

Division of Criminal Justice Services

80 South Swan Street, Room 348
Albany, NY 12210

Video Conference Locations:

666 Old Country Road, Suite 700
Garden City, NY 11530

02:37 PM – 4:11 PM

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Commission Members in Attendance:

Pasquale Buffolino, Ph.D.
Lydia de Castro
Steven Epstein, Esq.
Jessica Goldthwaite, Esq.
Michael Marciano, Ph.D.
Erin Murphy, Esq.
Shelley Palmer
Beverly Rauch
Michelli Schmitz
Rachel Singer, Esq. (non-voting proxy for William Fitzpatrick, Esq.)
Ann Willey, Ph.D.¹

DCJS Staff in Attendance:

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

¹ In accordance with a resolution and related procedures regarding the use of videoconferencing under extraordinary circumstances, which were adopted by the Commission on Forensic Science on June 9, 2023, and added to its bylaws, Dr. Ann Willey participated by video conferencing from a private location due to extraordinary circumstances.

Other Attendees:

Jill Dooley – New York State Police Crime Laboratory
 Pam Sale – ANSI National Accreditation Board
 Christian Westring – Niagara County Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory

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| Ms. Palmer opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to an informational session regarding the Organization of Scientific Area Committees on Forensic Science (OSAC). The members present in Albany and virtually were Dr. Buffolino, Ms. de Castro, Mr. Epstein, Ms. Goldthwaite, Dr. Marciano, Ms. Murphy, Ms. Rauch, Ms. Schmitz and Dr. Willey ¹ . Ms. Palmer then noted that Rachel Singer was joining the meeting as the designated participant on behalf of the Honorable William Fitzpatrick. | <i>Approximate video times</i> 00:00:00 – 00:03:11 |
| Ms. Palmer then introduced Lindsey Rockwell, from Office of Forensic Services. Ms. Rockwell provided a verbal update on the data gathered from the New York State laboratories regarding their implementation of standards from the OSAC registry within their systems. Special Counsel to the Commission, Matthew Schrantz, then provided the guidelines for the meeting. | 00:03:12– 00:05:42 |
| The following speakers addressed the Commission: | 00:06:29 – |
| ○ John Paul Jones, National Institute of Standards and Technology | 00:34:25 |
| ○ Pam Sale, ANSI National Accreditation Board | 00:35:10 – 00:51:26 |
| ○ Rebecca Hartman, Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner Forensic Toxicology Laboratory | 00:51:56 – 01:04:53 |
| Ms. Palmer then opened the floor for additional questions from Commission members. Mr. Epstein left the meeting at 3:14 pm and Ms. Singer left the meeting at 4:01 pm. | 01:04:54 – 01:33:45 |
| Ms. Palmer thanked the speakers and concluded the informational session. | 01:33:46 01:34:20 |
| Note: Video of the meeting is available at https://www.youtube.com/user/nyspublicsafety | |