

## TEXAS FORENSIC SCIENCE COMMISSION

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## FSC LICENSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA July 15, 2021 9:00 AM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom, Instructions Below

Due to Governor Greg Abbott's March 13, 2020 proclamation of a state of disaster and July 1, 2021 extended proclamation of a state of disaster affecting all counties in Texas due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the Governor's March 16, 2020 suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, the July 15, 2021 meeting of the Texas Forensic Science Commission's Licensing Advisory Committee will be held by virtual and telephonic conference call as authorized under Texas Government Code section 551.125.

Members of the public will have access and a means to participate in this meeting, by twoway audio, using the following web login or dial-in instructions:

Topic: Licensing Advisory Committee Meeting

Time: Jul 15, 2021 09:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

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## **Public Participant Instructions:**

If you wish to provide public comment during the meeting on a topic being discussed by Commissioners, please type your question or comment in the chat box or virtually raise your hand. The meeting facilitator will mute and unmute participants at the direction of the Chairperson. If you are not able to provide public comment during the meeting and still wish to provide public comment, the Commission will have a public comment period at the end of its agenda to address any remaining questions or comments. You may also fill out and email Kathryn Adams a Public Testimony Form to <a href="mailto:info@fsc.texas.gov">info@fsc.texas.gov</a> in advance of the meeting to ensure your public comment is addressed. All public comments are limited to 5 minutes with adjustments as necessary. A recording of the meeting will be available after July 16, 2021. To obtain a recording, please contact Kathryn Adams at (512) 936-0770 or email <a href="mailto:kathryn.adams@fsc.texas.gov">kathryn.adams@fsc.texas.gov</a>.

During this meeting, the LAC may consider and take action on the following items. The LAC may take breaks as necessary.

- 1. Call meeting to order. Roll call for members. (Reat) (2 min)
- 2. Instructions for public participation. (Tomlin) (2 min)
- 3. Review and adoption of minutes from April 15, 2021 meeting. (Reat) (1 min)
- 4. Administrative update, including update on number of licenses issued and number of renewals processed, update on database project with Office Court Administration IT, updates to TopClass learning management software. (Garcia/Tomlin/Soward) (5 min)
- 5. Discussion and vote for rule regarding license expiration policy. (Garcia/Tomlin) (5 min)

- 6. Review any outstanding statistics course evaluation requests; discuss available statistics course options. (2 min)
- 7. Discuss and evaluate any outstanding continuing forensic education (CFE) requests. (10 min)
- 8. Discuss exam evaluation committee and progress on development of new study materials and test questions; update on launch of remote testing options. (10 min)
- 9. Discuss voluntary licensure for unaccredited forensic disciplines, including discussion and update on the crime scene working group's proposed components for voluntary licensure, discuss option for unaccredited disciplines taking the exam and vote on corresponding rule changes to include crime scene investigators. (20 min)
- 10. Update and discussion of new OSAC Registry standards, including the development of collaborative work groups to discuss new standards. (Garcia) (5 min)
- 11. Update from the Texas Association of Crime Laboratory Directors. (Watts/Stout)
- 12. Schedule and location of future meetings, including October 21, 2021 meeting.
- 13. Hear public comment.
- 14. Adjourn.