



***August 4, 2023***

**Empire State Development Corporation**

633 3rd Ave  
37th Floor  
New York, NY

**Videoconference Locations:**

Shapiro Bldg., Rm. 5044, 70 Francis Street, Boston, MA

**9:00 AM – 9:33 AM**

**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

**DNA Subcommittee Members in Attendance:**

Frederick Bieber, Ph.D.  
Michael Coble, Ph.D.  
Kathleen Corrado, Ph.D.  
Kenneth Kidd, Ph.D.  
Katherine Gettings, Ph.D.  
Amanda Sozer, Ph.D.

**DCJS Staff in Attendance:**

Dean DeFruscio  
Jill Dooley  
Colleen Glavin, Esq.  
Natasha Harvin-Locklear, Esq.  
Katherine Mayberry  
Shelley Palmer  
Brianna Robinson  
Lindsey Rockwell  
Elizabeth Suparmanto

**Other Attendees:**

Misonara Ahmed – NYC OCME, Department of Forensic Biology  
Russell Gettig – New York State Police Crime Laboratory  
Thomas Leach – New York State Police Crime Laboratory

Kyra McKay – NYC OCME, Department of Forensic Biology  
 Julie Pizziketti – New York State Police Crime Laboratory  
 Meredith Rosenberg – NYC OCME, Department of Forensic Biology  
 Ray Wickenheiser – New York State Police Crime Laboratory

	<i>Approximate Video Times</i>
Dr. Dooley opened the meeting by welcoming new Chair, Dr. Michael Coble, to the New York State DNA Subcommittee. Dr. Coble acknowledged his gratitude to serve as the Chair and the honor it is to follow in the footsteps of Drs. Ferrara, Ballantyne, Adams, and Weir. Dr. Coble then conducted a roll call as members of the Subcommittee were in attendance in New York and virtually. A quorum was established with 6 members present (Bieber, Coble, Corrado, Gettings, Kidd, Sozer).	00:00:00 – 00:01:58  00:01:58 – 00:02:35
Dr. Coble then asked for a motion to approve the August 4, 2023, agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. Sozer, seconded by Dr. Kidd, and approved unanimously.	00:02:38 – 00:03:20
The Chair then asked Subcommittee members for questions or comments on the minutes from the May 12, 2023, meeting of the Subcommittee. Dr. Corrado made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Dr. Gettings, and approved with four votes (Bieber, Corrado, Gettings, Sozer) and 2 abstentions (Coble and Kidd).	00:03:22 – 00:04:30
Next, the Subcommittee reviewed Accreditation/Laboratory updates from the Erie County Central Police Services Forensic Laboratory, Monroe County Crime Laboratory, New York State Police Crime Laboratory and the Westchester County Department of Laboratories and Research Division of Forensic Science. Representatives from the laboratories were available to answer questions as needed.	00:04:33– 00:07:49
The Chair then moved to Old Business. A verbal update was provided by Dr. Dooley on the Partial Match and Familial Search programs. The Familial Search program remains paused, awaiting a hearing of the appeal scheduled for September 14, 2023. There were no current CODIS bulletins; however, it is anticipated that by the end of August there will be a bulletin regarding an issue with the mitochondrial DNA CODIS PopStats.	00:07:51 – 00:16:28
The Subcommittee then reviewed disclosures from the New York State Police Crime Laboratory and New York City OCME, Department of Forensic Biology. Representatives from the laboratories were available to respond to members' questions.	00:16:31 – 00:21:57
Dr. Coble requested a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss matters relating to a current investigation or matters that may lead to the appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline, or suspension of a particular person. The motion was made by Dr. Sozer, seconded by Dr. Corrado. The motion was approved unanimously.	00:21:59 – 00:22:53

No action was taken in Executive Session.

The Chair stated that the next meeting of the Subcommittee will take place on November 3, 2023. A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Gettings, seconded by Dr. Kidd, and approved unanimously.

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Video Times*  
00:23:29 –  
00:24:33

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