TEXAS FORENSIC
SCIENCE COMMISSION

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LABORATORY LICENSE FOR ENSURING THE AVAILABILITY OF UNCOMMON FORENSIC ANALYSIS, TIMELINESS OF FORENSIC ANALYSIS, AND/OR SERVICE TO COUNTIES WITH LIMITED ACCESS TO FORENSIC ANALYSIS

A laboratory may apply to the Commission for an uncommon forensic analysis, timeliness of forensic analysis, and/or service to counties with limited access to forensic analysis license where the lab demonstrates:

(1) a Texas customer requests a type of forensic analysis that is not widely available in accredited forensic laboratories; or
(2) the request is necessary to ensure the availability of timely forensic analyses in counties for which access to forensic analyses is limited.

All forensic analysts and technicians employed by a laboratory determined by the Commission's Licensing Advisory Committee, and/or the Commission Director or Designee to meet the criteria for an uncommon forensic analysis license shall be licensed upon fulfillment of the following requirements of the licensed laboratory:

(a) submit to the Commission staff a list of names of each individual analyst or technician to be licensed indicating the forensic discipline(s) for which each analyst or technician is qualified to perform independent casework; and
(b) certify on a form provided by the Commission that each individual named:
    1. has read and understands the Commission's Code of Professional Responsibility;
    2. has completed all training materials related to *Brady v. Maryland* discovery obligations and the Michael Morton Act (Code of Criminal Procedure, Article 39.14) as provided by the Commission; and
    3. has participated in the Commission's Mandatory Legal and Professional Responsibility Training (as available).

Laboratories licensed under this provision must comply with all disclosure obligations required under Texas Administrative Code §651.301. A laboratory license and corresponding licenses granted under this provision expire two (2) years from the date of issuance.

Laboratories are invoiced an Uncommon Forensic Analyst License fee of $200 per 10 analyst licenses.

Instructions for Analysts and Technicians:

All analysts and technicians must individually fill out an online application as applicable in ALiS and upload this form to their application. Instructions for individual analyst license renewals may be found on our website here at the bottom of the page. For new applicants, please follow instructions here.

LABORATORY UNCOMMON FORENSIC ANALYSIS CERTIFICATION

DATE:

LABORATORY NAME:

LABORATORY LOCATION (CITY/STATE):

LABORATORY CERTIFYING OFFICIAL:

Please check each applicable box:

☐ a Texas customer requests a type of forensic analysis that is not widely available in accredited forensic laboratories.

☐ the request is necessary to ensure the availability of timely forensic analyses in counties for which access to forensic analyses is limited.

Please provide an explanation below describing the type of forensic analysis provided by your laboratory that is not widely available and/or the availability of timely forensic analysis that can be provided by your laboratory. Attach additional pages as necessary.

Please list all analysts and technicians applying for full licensure that are employed by the laboratory. Please indicate the employee's full name, job title and forensic discipline pursuant to the Commission's license categories found here. You may attach a spreadsheet of employees.

Please list below the names of any employees who were previously covered under your license but have departed employment with your laboratory.

LABORATORY UNCOMMON FORENSIC ANALYSIS LICENSE CERTIFICATION

I certify the information included in this form is true and correct. I certify that a Texas customer requests a type of forensic analysis that is not widely available in accredited forensic laboratories and/or the request is necessary to ensure the availability of timely forensic analyses in counties for which access to forensic analyses is limited. I certify that the employees listed in this certification have read and understand the Commission's Code of Professional Responsibility, completed all training materials related to *Brady v. Maryland* discovery obligations and the Michael Morton Act (Code of Criminal Procedure, Article 39.14), and participated in the Mandatory Legal and Professional Responsibility Training sponsored by the Commission (as available).

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Laboratory Name

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Laboratory Representative Printed Name

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Laboratory Representative Signature Date

Please submit this form to licensing@fsc.texas.gov for review and approval.

Completed and approved Uncommon Forensic Analysis License certification forms must be uploaded through ALiS to the individual analyst's license application.