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**Webinar #18: Emerging Issues in the Evolution of the Texas Forensic  
Science Commission and National Reform**

**Learning Objectives**

After viewing this webinar, you will be able to:

- Discuss the impetus for forming the Texas Forensic Science Commission (TFSC)
- List the four areas of statutory granted to TFSC
- Discuss TFSC methods for investigating bite mark evidence in the Mark Chaney Innocence Project public complaint
- Explain how laboratory self-disclosure can identify and mitigate risk
- Discuss the strength and weakness of forensic laboratory accreditation
- Define the term “specifier” as it relates to accreditation
- List the five criteria needed to obtain licensing in Texas as a forensic analyst

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