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NOTICE OF DFS POLICY CHANGE

To: All Agencies Serviced by Department of Forensic Science Laboratories

From: Linda C. Jackson, Director

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Date: November 4, 2014

RE: Reduction of Digital and Multimedia Evidence Services

Effective immediately, the Department of Forensic Science (DFS) will no longer receive evidence for Forensic Audio Analysis, ~~Forensic Video Analysis~~, Image Analysis or Comparative Analysis. Further, DFS will discontinue performing these services on previously submitted evidence on December 1, 2014. This may result in previously submitted evidence being returned to you that has not yet been analyzed.

These changes are necessary to best manage DFS's staffing and resources.

DFS will maintain the ability to perform Computer Analysis including mobile devices, such as smart phones, tablets, etc.

For questions regarding this change in policy, please contact Central Laboratory Director, Jeff Ban at 804-786-6800.

Note: The Department's forensic video enhancement analysis capabilities were restored via policy notice dated June 23, 2015.