The purpose of this training is to bring together forensic laboratory counsel from across the country to discuss the numerous contemporary issues confronting their laboratories. There will be round table discussions and presentations on the following topics: Giglio and transparency issues, outreach to stakeholders, probabilistic modeling, familial searching, the use of genetic databases, the proposed amendments to FRE702, the OSAC standards, and post-conviction testing.

A draft agenda and registration information will be available soon.

Ted R. Hunt, Senior Advisor to the Attorney General on Forensic Science, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, will provide our keynote address. Other confirmed speakers include:

- Dawn Diedrich, Director of the Office of Privacy and Compliance, Georgia Bureau of Investigation
- Michael Coble, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Associate Director of the Center for Human Identification, University of North Texas Health Science Center
- Amie Ely, Director, NAGTRI Center for Ethics & Public Integrity, National Association of Attorneys General
- Paula Wulff, Chief of the Forensic Science Law Unit, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Bureau of Investigation

The training will be held at the Richmond Laboratory of the Virginia Department of Forensic Science. A room block has been reserved at the Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton Richmond-Downtown at 700 E. Main Street, Richmond, VA 23219. Rooms may be reserved by calling the hotel at (804) 709-0934 or utilizing the following link:


Attendees must currently be in positions where they are actively advising forensic laboratory management, either as in-house counsel or as assigned by their office/agency.

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