

### [Valdosta-Lowndes Regional Crime Lab earns blood analysis certification](#)

The crime lab is now certified in blood alcohol analysis. Up until this accreditation, all blood alcohol testing in the state had to be done by the Georgia Bureau of Investigations.

### [Sheriff's office crime lab gains national accreditation](#)

The quality of evidence and how quickly it is processed can make or break a case and the Pitt County Sheriff's Office now is better prepared that ensure that high-quality evidence moves along in the system so justice can be served.

### [Mississippi Crime Lab facing critical staff shortages: WJTV 12 Exclusive](#)

With the high number of crimes around the state of Mississippi, the staff at the Mississippi State Crime Laboratory find themselves completely overwhelmed when it comes to processing and analyzing evidence.

### [Mesa police using DNA to solve property crimes](#)

Placko says her department has used DNA to solve property crimes since the mid-1990's. But in 2015, Mesa eliminated its DNA backlog, which means that as soon as a new sample comes in the door, it gets processed.

### [Hallmarks Of Innocence: Forensic Evidence](#)

"CSI" created a real misimpression about the level of accuracy involving forensic science. In reality, the reliability varies considerably depending on the precise discipline. So some forensics — those based on very hard sciences like chemistry and biology — are quite reliable.

### [Justice comes 20 years later after newly-tested rape kit leads to conviction](#)

"Every time I tried to get away, he would drag me back," said Michelle. "I had scratched him quite a few times."

### [A Decade After A Mom Vanished From Her Home, A Neighbor Has Been Arrested](#)

The Thurston County Sheriff's Office said that "new information came to light" on Tuesday that led them to search a private residence in Rochester, Washington, near where Moyer used to live, according to a release. Working off of that tip, authorities took the owner of the home into custody, Thurston County Sheriff John Snaza said during a press conference on Thursday morning.

### [Could vials used by Fort Worth police alter blood alcohol results? Some experts say yes](#)

"We agree with the judge in the trial that the Fort Worth Crime Lab is not and was not using the wrong tubes," said Samantha Jordan, a spokeswoman with the District Attorney's Office. "This was simply a defense ploy that the jury didn't buy."

### [Jefferson Co. suspends low-level pot prosecutions](#)

The Jefferson County District Attorney's Office has stopped prosecuting low-level, misdemeanor marijuana cases until it can find a way to affordably test evidence in compliance with a recent change to state law, District Attorney Bob Wortham said Friday.

[Federal prosecutor in D.C. made 'misrepresentations' to judge, is referred for internal investigation, court records say](#)

The office of U.S. Attorney Jessie K. Liu notified the judge handling the case of the actions in court filings. U.S. District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan of the District last week directed prosecutors to address whether the attorney alone or others also should be referred for review by disciplinary bodies for the D.C. Bar Association and for the court.

[In Florida, a haze builds around pot law enforcement as technology catches up to policy](#)

A hemp bill that took effect July 1 removes the plant from the list of substances that are deemed illegal because of their potential for abuse. But many hemp-derived products still have trace amounts of THC so the bill language allows for them to contain .3 percent or less of it.

[As President, Kamala Harris Says She Would Close The Nationwide Rape-Kit Backlog](#)

The proposal is to invest \$1 billion in allowing states to fully close their rape-kit backlogs within four years, as well as implement reforms to prevent further backlogging.

[Exhibit A and other true crime shows can fuel misconceptions about forensic science](#)

Forensic science is under attack. A string of recent collapsed trials and quashed convictions that relied on forensic evidence have led some experts to say the field is in crisis.

[Renowned forensic scientist's testimony questioned](#)

Wendall Hasan has been in prison since 1986 for the murder of George Tyler, of Darien, Connecticut. Hasan's lawyers filed court papers Tuesday arguing he should be freed after tests done in 2014 found no blood on a pair of sneakers that Lee testified were bloodstained.

[New forensic advances could help solve Gilgo Beach murder, experts say](#)

More than eight years ago, the remains of the 10 suspected Gilgo Beach murder victims were discovered in the weedy areas off Ocean Parkway. Initial detective work and DNA analysis led to the identification of six women in what law enforcement officials have said could be the work of two or more serial killers.

[FBI Approves Thermo Fisher Scientific Forensic Sequencing Solution for National DNA Index System](#)

The U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has approved Thermo Fisher Scientific's Applied Biosystems Precision ID System mtDNA analysis solution for use by forensic laboratories to generate mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) profiles for submission to the U.S. National DNA Index System (NDIS) CODIS database. The use of mtDNA in forensics over the past several decades has played a pivotal role in helping to solve missing person cases and identification of remains recovered from mass disasters.