



TEXAS FORENSIC
SCIENCE COMMISSION

Justice Through Science

1700 North Congress Ave., Suite 445
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Via First Class Mail

Mr. Thomas E. Nix.
TDCJ# 00845743
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Amarillo, Texas 79107-9606

Re: Texas Forensic Science Commission (“Commission”) Complaint #16.47

Dear Mr. Nix:

At its October 5, 2016 meeting, the Commission unanimously dismissed your complaint, because the primary allegation relates to forensic hypnosis—a forensic discipline not subject to review by the Commission. Forensic hypnosis does not fall within the definition of “forensic analysis” under Texas law because it is not a test performed on physical evidence.¹

For general assistance regarding your case, you may consider contacting one of the publicly funded innocence clinics listed below:

Texas Center for Actual Innocence
727 East Dean Keeton Street
Austin, Texas 78705
Contact: Tiffany Dowling

The Innocence Project of Texas
300 Burnett, Suite 160
Fort Worth, Texas 76102
Contact: Mike Ware

Texas Innocence Network
University of Houston Law Center
100 Law Center
Houston, Texas 77204
Contact: David Dow

Texas Southern University
Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Innocence Project
3100 Cleburne Street
Houston, Texas 77004
Contact: Anthony Haughton

Sincerely,

Leigh M. Savage

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Associate General Counsel

¹ See Tex. Code Crim. Procedure art. 38.35 § (a)(4) (*stating a forensic analysis is “a medical, chemical, toxicologic, ballistic, or other expert examination or test performed on **physical evidence**).*