



TEXAS FORENSIC  
SCIENCE COMMISSION

*Justice Through Science*

*1700 North Congress Ave., Suite 445  
Austin, Texas 78701*

June 30, 2020

***Via First Class Mail***

Mr. Jerry Rangel  
No. 01444140  
Robertson Unit  
12071 FM 3522  
Abilene, TX 79601

Re: TFSC Complaint No. 20.10: Rangel, Jerry (Bryan Police Department, DPS Austin;  
Bloodstain Pattern Analysis ("BPA"), Forensic Biology/DNA)

Dear Mr. Rangel:

This letter is to inform you that the referenced complaint was dismissed by commissioners at the Texas Forensic Science Commission's (TFSC) June 12, 2020 meeting. Explanation of your case disposition is outlined below.

Your complaint regarding bloodstain pattern analysis (BPA) was made against a Bryan police officer over whom the TFSC has no jurisdiction. The TFSC also has no control over what evidence judges admit into trials over which they preside. Finally, BPA is currently not a forensic discipline subject to the accreditation requirement set forth in article 38.35 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. As a result, applicable law and internal TFSC policy is to consider cases involving BPA only where the issuance of best practices and other recommendations would benefit forensic science stakeholders in Texas. The facts in your complaint do not support a review for these purposes.

Regarding the DNA complaint, your case was already reviewed by the TFSC's DNA Mixture Retroactive Case Review Team. The Review Team considered and closed your request for recalculation because it was not deemed material to your conviction given other material inculpatory facts in your case. Please direct any inquiries concerning your case review to the following address: DNA Review, P.O. Box 283, Houston, TX 77001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathryn Adams".

Kathryn Adams  
Commission Coordinator

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