



TEXAS FORENSIC
SCIENCE COMMISSION

Justice Through Science

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

February 26, 2020

Via First Class Mail

Mr. Keith Mitchell
No. 1923818
Travis Co. Correctional Complex
3614 Bill Price Road
Del Valle, TX 78617

Re: TFSC Complaint No. 20.11- Mitchell, Keith (DPS Austin; None Specified)

Dear Mr. Mitchell,

I apologize if you already received a disposition letter in the referenced matter. We recently underwent a change in our computer technology and seem to have lost some records. I wanted to ensure that you were informed as to the status of your complaint which was dismissed by commission staff.

The TFSC is the oversight body for accredited forensic laboratories in Texas and their licensed analysts. While your complaint stated that the subject was the Austin location of the Texas Department of Public Safety, no allegations of negligence or misconduct relative to a forensic analysis in your case were made. You asked only for disclosure of evidence which is not within this commission's authority.

Laboratories provide test results and reports to the client that ordered the testing, usually law enforcement. The TFSC has no jurisdiction or authority to order any laboratory to disclose results to anyone else. Obtaining results of laboratory testing in your case is a matter that should be addressed by your legal representative. You are free to file a new complaint should results of any forensic analyses performed in your case appear problematic.

Thank you and let me know if I may be of any additional assistance.

Sincerely,

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

Kathryn Adams
Commission Coordinator

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