



TEXAS FORENSIC
SCIENCE COMMISSION
Justice Through Science
1700 North Congress Ave., Suite 445
Austin, Texas 78701

May 5, 2022

Via First Class Mail

Mr. Charles Martin
TDCJ# 1101119
McConnell Unit
3003 S. Emily Dr.
Beeville, TX 78102

Re: Complaint No. 22.13: Martin, Charles (Orchid Cellmark; Forensic Biology/DNA)

Dear Mr. Martin:

At its April 22, 2022 quarterly meeting, commissioners voted unanimously to dismiss the referenced complaint for lack of jurisdiction. The complaint requests re-testing of DNA blood evidence which the Commission does not have the authority to order.

An order for re-testing of case evidence should come from a court of competent jurisdiction. This Commission can review results of forensic testing but cannot order it in any case. You may file a complaint in the future should you have a complaint about forensic testing. Enclosed is a list of innocence clinics operating in Texas should you wish to contact one about your case.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Robert Smith
Robert Smith
Senior Staff Attorney

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Encl.

LIST OF INNOCENCE CLINICS IN TEXAS

Actual Innocence Clinic
The University of Texas at Austin
School of Law
727 E. Dean Keeton St.
Austin, Texas 78705
Contact: Charles J. Press

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

Texas Innocence Network
University of Houston Law Center
4604 Calhoun Rd.
Houston, Texas 77204-6060
Contact: Cassandra Jeu

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

Texas Tech University School of Law
3311 18th Street
Lubbock, TX 79409-0004
Contact: B. Allison Clayton