



**INNOCENCE
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**The National Criminal Defense College and the Innocence Project
Present**

A Forensic Cross-Examination Workshop: Drilling Down on Toolmark Evidence



Tentative Agenda Thursday, March 16, 2023

- 12:30-1:00 Workshop Check-In
(Holiday Inn Denver East, 3333 Quebec Street, Denver, Colorado 80207)
- 1:00-1:30 Welcome and Introduction to the Program, The NCDC Deans
- 1:30-2:30 Why Forensics Matter, Grasping the Foundations, and Daubert Principles, Chris Fabricant, The Innocence Project, New York, NY
- 2:30-3:30 Drilling Down on the Science (or Lack Thereof): Understanding Toolmark Evidence,
- 3:30-3:45 Afternoon Coffee Break
- 3:45-4:45 Cross-Examination Basics as Applied to Forensic Experts
- 4:45-6:00 In Small Groups: Intros and Outlining the Forensic Facts

Friday, March 17, 2023

- 8:30-9:00 Coffee and Pastries
- 9:00-11:00 Cross-Examination Chapters of General Forensic Applicability
(Cognitive bias, Error Rates, Proficiency Testing, CV Cross, Professional Bias, Measurement Issues, Training and Experience, Peer Review, Study Design)
- 11:00-12:00 In Small Groups: Brainstorming Theory and Cross Prep – Part I
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch: On Your Own
- 1:00-4:00 In Small Groups: On Your Feet Exercises – Part I
Cross-Examination of Toolmark Experts (*with Witnesses*)
- 4:00-5:00 Demo/Discussion: Toolmark Expert Cross-Examination Part I

Saturday, March 18, 2023

- 8:45-9:00 Coffee and Pastries
- 9:00-10:00 In Small Groups: Brainstorming Toolmark Cross – Part II
- 10:00-12:30 In Small Groups: On Your Feet Exercises – Part II
Cross-Examination of Toolmark Experts (with Witnesses)
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch: On Your Own
- 1:30-3:30 Demo/Discussion: Cross-Examination of Toolmark Expert – Part II
- 3:30-3:45 Afternoon Coffee Break
- 3:45-5:00 Emerging Trends in Forensics (Panel Discussion)
- Evening Book Talk – Junk Science at the American Criminal Justice System, Chris
Event Fabricant

Sunday, March 19, 2023

- 8:45-9:00 Coffee and Pastries
- 9:00-10:00 Demonstration of Chapters of General Applicability
(Cell Site Evidence)
- 11:00-12:00 Closing Remarks and Presentation of Certificates

