

# Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory

## DNA Quality Assurance Manual

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Subject: DNA Database Section Analysts – Supervised Casework Sample Processing

Dale,

Effective today, the following DNA database section analysts are authorized to perform supervised processing of selected casework related samples:

Kimberly Lamb, ✓  
Veronica DeBoer and ✓  
Stacey Johnson. ✓

A qualified DNA casework analyst will direct and monitor the database analyst(s), as needed and as appropriate, as to the nature and parameters of the tasks assigned. These tasks may include DNA quantification, amplification, and, data collection and analysis. The casework analyst directing these activities will take full responsibility for maintaining appropriate quality assurance standards as well as data interpretation and report writing. The limit and scope of the work performed on casework related samples by database analysts will be defined and documented by the casework analyst directing the activity for review and approval by the DNA section supervisor and/or the DNA technical manager. The work performed by the database analysts in this capacity will count as additional developmental training towards gaining the expert/journey level expertise as a forensic scientist. Until these analysts are trained in court testimony exercises, the casework analyst monitoring these activities or the section supervisor or the DNA technical manager will, should the need arise, testify in court as to the results of the analysis.

  
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