



Ray Wickenheiser, DPS is currently the Director for the New York State Police Crime Lab System, headquartered in Albany, New York. He is also a member of the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors (ASCLD) Board of Directors and the Past President for 2018-19. Dr. Wickenheiser has over 18 years of experience as a Crime Lab Director and Quality Manager in local and State Crime Laboratories and 35 years in forensic science, including 17 years with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. His areas of expertise include crime lab

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In New York, Dr. Wickenheiser is the Co-Chair of the New York Crime Lab Advisory Committee (NYCLAC) and the Chair of the Technical Working Group on Backlog Reduction (TWGBack). He was a member of the Department of Justice: National Institute of Justice Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Reporting (SAFER) Working Group publishing the “National Best Practices for Sexual Assault Kit: A Multidisciplinary Approach”. Dr. Wickenheiser has served as a peer-reviewer for several journals and advisor to several university forensic programs.

Dr. Wickenheiser is a qualified ISO Auditor, conducting audits in 10 states as an auditor and DNA lead auditor. Dr. Wickenheiser is a fellow in the American Academy of Forensic Science (AAFS) and has been an invited guest to the Scientific Working Group on DNA Analysis Methods (SWGAM) since 2013. He has testified as an expert witness over 90 times, published numerous scientific articles, a book chapter, and is a frequent presenter at workshops and conferences. Dr. Wickenheiser has also served as an adjunct professor, teaching criminalistics at Montgomery College, Maryland. Dr. Wickenheiser holds a Bachelor of Science Honours degree from the University of Regina, Canada, a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Louisiana and a Doctoral degree from the Albany Medical College.

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