



DNA & Genealogy SUMMIT WASHINGTON, D.C.



Sunday, October 1, 2023
Evening Registration/Check-In
5:00pm to 7:00pm

Day 1 – Monday, October 2, 2023

7:30 – 8:00	Registration and Coffee
8:00 – 8:05	Welcome & Introductions IHIA President, Rob Peters
8:05 – 9:00	We're all connected by DNA: Bridging the Gap Between Families of Unsolved Homicides and New Investigative Technologies Ryan Backmann, Executive Director, Project: Cold Case
9:00 – 10:00	The Sherry Black Case Study – The Bookstore Murder Ben Pender, Detective, Major Investigations/Cold Case Homicide Unified Police Department of Greater Salt Lake (UT) Patrick Zirpoli, Sr. Investigative Consultant, Sherry Black Foundation
10:00 – 10:15	Break
10:15 – 10:30	Funding FIGG Cases Brad Schleppe, Executive Director, Season of Justice
10:30 – 11:30	The Fundamentals FIGG and Practical Guidance for Law Enforcement Claire Glynn, Ph.D, Founding Director of FIGG Certificate Program, University of New Haven, Henry C. Lee College Christy Girard, Detective, Cold Case Unit, Greenwich Police Department (CT)
11:30 – 12:30	Beyond GSK: Harnessing FIGG to Solve Violent Crime, Identify Missing Persons, and Exonerate the Innocent Anne Marie Schubert, Retired Sacramento (CA) District Attorney
12:30 -1:30	Lunch
1:30 – 3:00	FBI IGG Assistance and Case Study Amy Whitman, SSA, FBI IGG Program Manager Mark James, SA, FBI IGG East Region Team Leader
3:00 – 3:15	Break
3:15 – 4:15	Cluster 47 Serial Sexual Assaults: Follow Your Instinct & Integrate FIGG Insight Into Case Investigations Jason Shea, Texas Ranger, Texas Department of Public Safety Teresa Vreeland, Director, Forensic Genealogy Services, BODE Technology
4:15 – 5:30	Why FIGG, Why Now: The Role Of Public Labs Ray Wickenheiser Ph.D, Director, New York State Police Crime Laboratory System Melissa Haas, Laboratory Director/Senior Technical Leader, UNT Center for Human Identification
5:30 – 5:35	Closing, announcement for evening events

Day 2 – Tuesday, October 3, 2023

8:00 – 9:00	NCMEC's Role in FIGG & The Family's Perspective: Raymond Green's Story Carol Schweitzer, Program Manager, Forensic Services Unit, NCMEC Donna Green, Mother of Raymond Green, Missing Persons Advocate, Raymond Green International Outreach
9:00 – 10:00	Cold Case Murder Unlocked: From False Confession to The Prevailing of Justice Jon Smith, Detective, Norfolk (VA) Police Department Cold Case Homicide Unit
10:00 – 10:15	Break
10:15 – 11:15	Legal Considerations for Prosecuting FIGG Cases Moderated by Anne Marie Schubert Amy Watroba, Assistant State's Attorney, Appeals/Forensic Specialist-Violent Crimes Unit, DuPage County State's Attorney's Office (IL) Robert Dean, Special Assistant State's Attorney Office of the State's Attorney for Prince George's County (MD) Leighton D'Antoni, Assistant District Attorney, Cold Case Homicides and Sexual Assaults, Dallas County DA's Office (TX)
11:15 – 12:15	Bones & Bloodlines - Cracking The 45-Year-Old Murder Of WWI Veteran George Clarence Seitz Karen Ross, Chief, Cold Case Unit, Queens County (NY) District Attorney's Office Erik Contreras, Sergeant, New York Police Department 105 Detective Squad
12:15 -1:30	Lunch
1:30 – 2:30	Three-Pronged Approach To Investigations- The Lab, The Police, The Prosecutor Robert Dean, Special Assistant State's Attorney Office of the State's Attorney for Prince George's County (MD) Gregory W. McDonald, Sergeant, Prince George's County Police Department – Major Crimes Homicides, Cold Case Squad Kristen Lease, Forensic Science Division, Prince George's County Police Department
2:30 – 2:45	Break
2:45 – 3:45	Awaken Cold Cases: Start With DNA Identifications Rachel Oefelein, Chief Scientific Officer, DNA Labs International & Law Enforcement Partner
3:45 – 4:45	The Next-generation FIGG Operation
5:30 – 8:00	Social Event sponsored by DNA Labs International (Location TBA)

Day 3 – Wednesday, October 4, 2023

8:00 – 9:30	The Human On The Other Side: The Victim's Perspective, The Nor Cal Rapist Case Study, And Why FIGG Matters Moderated by Ed O'Carroll, Retired Bureau Chief, Fairfax County (VA) Police Department Nicole Earnest-Payte, Nor Cal Rapist Survivor, Talent Acquisition Executive Avis C. Beery, Detective, Sacramento Police Detective (Retired)
9:30- 9:45	Break
9:45 – 11:00	Justice: Cold, Delayed, and Delivered: State of Texas v. David Hawkins Leighton D'Antoni, Assistant DA, Cold Case Homicides and Sexual Assaults Dallas County (TX) DA's Office Randy White, Special Agent, FBI Dallas Field Office
11:00 – 12:00	Flaming Cold Cases - Work Through Frustration And Defeat To Find Resolution Anthony Spurlock, Chief of Police, Oklahoma City University Former Sheriff, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, CO

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