DA COUNTY LETTERHEAD

October \_\_, 2015

John Defendant

123 Main Street

Ourtown, Texas 71234

Re: *The State of Texas vs. John Defendant*; Cause number 123456

You were prosecuted in the above-styled case for an offense that included the analysis of DNA mixture evidence by a Texas crime laboratory. A DNA mixture refers to evidence that includes DNA from more than one person. When a DNA mixture is analyzed, the laboratory report often includes a statistic informing the judge or jury how probable it is that a random person who is unrelated to you could be included in the DNA mixture.

DNA evidence has become more complicated over the last 5-10 years, and forensic scientists have recently become aware that a common statistical method they used may not always have taken into account certain important scientific limitations.

The Texas Forensic Science Commission is in the process of working with prosecutors, defense attorneys and laboratories to determine which cases may have problems.

**If you would like your case recalculated on the DNA mixture issue, please fill out the attached form and send it to the address provided. Do not send the form to our office as it will only delay the processing of your request. *If your contact information changes at any point after submitting the attached form, please provide your new contact information as soon as possible.***

Sincerely,

District Attorney

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, understand from the letter sent to me that there may be an issue with the statistics used to report the DNA mixture analysis conducted in my case.

I also understand that re-analysis of the DNA mixture statistic(s) in my case may be warranted.

By my initials below, and by my signature, I am expressing my desire that:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No review of my case be undertaken;

 **OR**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ That the defense team determine whether there may be an issue in my case and provide me with follow-up information based on their analysis;

**OR**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ That all documents and information related to my case be provided to my retained lawyer, whose name and phone number are as follows:

 ATTORNEY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ATTORNEY PHONE:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signed the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Printed name Signature

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E-mail address

**SEND THIS FORM TO:**

 **DNA REVIEW**

**PO BOX 283**

**HOUSTON, TEXAS 77001**

***If your contact information changes at any point after submitting this form, please provide your new contact information ASAP by sending it to the address listed here.***