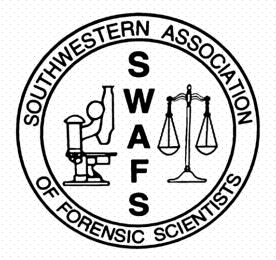
2023 Election Candidates

Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists







Quinton Bryant earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. He worked as a chemist at the Arkansas Department of Health Public Laboratory in the Chemical Terrorism division before transferring to the Arkansas State Crime Laboratory (ASCL) in 2016 as a Forensic Scientist in the Forensic Chemistry section. While at the laboratory he has become a member of two professional organizations, Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists (SWAFS) and Clandestine Laboratory of Investigating Chemists (CLIC). In the laboratory, Quinton serves as a Section Training Officer, a member of the ASCL Mass Casualty Response Team, an internal auditor, and recently just completed a course becoming an ANAB Technical Assessor. He also served as a lead for interns on summer projects, aids in training new analysts in the section, and is one of the certified CPR instructors certifying the laboratory employees in basic life support and first aid. In his spare time, Quinton enjoys spending time with his family, watching movies, playing games, and traveling.



As the current treasurer for SWAFS I have worked diligently to better serve not only the organization as a whole but also serve all board and SWAFS members. During the past two years I have learned the financial flow of the organization, resolved past financial issues, and found effective ways to continue to manage all financial activities. I continue to manage and revamp our general financial activities:

- payments and sales
- financial planning and budgeting
- financial reporting to the board and the organization
- banking activities, bookkeeping and financial record keeping
- management of the organization's current member accounts

I assure you that this is done with the highest standards of ethics, transparency, professionalism, and quality. Although it is not always as easy to be able to manage all SWAFS financial activities, I truly enjoy being part of this organization and to continue helping make a difference in its overall success. I appreciate your continuous support as a SWAFS member and look forward to continuing to serve the organization.





Hi! My name is Alaina Anderson, and I am honored to be nominated and considered as a Board of Directors candidate for SWAFS. I have been in the forensic field for 9.5 years as a Forensic Analyst in the Seized Drugs section for the Houston Forensic Science Center. I attended Texas A&M University where I obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry with a concentration in Biological Chemistry. While working at HFSC, I completed and graduated with a Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences with a concentration in Forensic Drug Chemistry from the University of Florida.

While working at HFSC, in addition to routine casework and testimony, I am responsible for training new analysts in my section. I am heavily involved in QA/QC responsibilities including standard verifications, instrument validations, SOP revisions, and internal audits. I was the point of contact for the SD internal audit this year, and I have completed the ANAB external assessor training. When I am not busy working, I enjoy spending my free time doing arts and crafts, traveling, cheering on the Aggies and Astros, and going to concerts.

I have been a member of SWAFS for 8 years and am looking to grow and become more involved in this organization. With my years of experience in the field in addition to my training and quality background, I hope to bring a combination of experience and new ideas to the SWAFS Board of Directors.





Greetings my name is Stephen Brumbaugh. I have been a Criminalist with the Grand Junction Police Department (GJPD) since 2007, performing seized drug analysis, forensic video analysis and crime scene analysis and am one of the GJPD's UAS (drone) pilots. I also provide training to our Forensic Investigators in crime scene analysis and to Officers in the proper use of controlled substance field tests. Working as a partner with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) since 2008 in their Drug Chemistry laboratory, I spent three years as the CBI's Drug Chemistry Technical Leader (2015-2018). My career began in 1997 with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) where I received training in controlled substance analysis and clandestine laboratory response. In addition to working as a forensic scientist, I spent many years working in the chemical manufacturing industry as a Quality Control Chemist at Sartomer USA, developing and validating methods for the analysis of butadiene polymers used in the manufacture of various products, including automobile tires and cellphone circuit boards. Outside of the laboratories I enjoy off-roading with my wife and dogs in the mountains, photographing the scenery and wildlife.

There have been many positive changes in Forensic Science since I began over 25 years ago back in the "bad old days". Organizations like SWAFS provide, among other things, a forum where scientists from across the country can share, learn and work together to improve our fields. I am excited for the chance to be a member of the SWAFS Board of Directors to help ensure SWAFS can continue to provide quality training and communication opportunities to our members.





David Gouldthorpe has been employed with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department for over 15 years. He is currently assigned to the Forensic Laboratory as the Chemistry Detail Laboratory Manager and oversees the Seized Drugs and Trace Materials Units. Prior to Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, he spent four and half years with the Arizona Department of Public Safety Crime Laboratory. There he was assigned to the Controlled Substances Unit, Clandestine Laboratory Response Team and was a chemist assigned to the WMD Hazardous Response Team.

Since being a member of SWAFS in 2009, he has served on the Website Committee, the Board of Directors, President-Elect, President, and Chairman of the Board. In addition to SWAFS, he is currently a member of CLIC (Clandestine Laboratory Investigating Chemists) and the Seized Drugs Subcommittee within the Organization of Scientific Area Committees (OSAC).





Cloressa Guidry works as a Seized Drugs Supervisor for the Houston Forensic Science Center. Starting in the forensic field as an analyst in 2009, she has since amassed over 13 years of experience. Cloressa holds a BS in Chemistry Pre-Med from Texas Southern University, and a MS in Health Promotions from Mississippi State University, her home state. She holds a certification in Drug Analysis with the American Board of Criminalistics (ABC) and is licensed in the state of Texas. Cloressa have been a member of SWAFS since 2016 and would love to share her experience and time in contributing to the organization. She participated and helped with the conference in Galveston, TX. If elected to the SWAFS Board, her goals are to help with future events and to promote SWAFS and bring in more members.





My name is Brook Knapp and I have been a forensic drug chemist for more than 10 years. I began my career in Houston, TX as a drug chemist and then moved to Billings, MT in 2020 to work for the Department of Justice as a drug chemist. I earned my BS in Communication and my BS in Forensic Chemistry from Lamar University in Beaumont, TX. I also earned my MS in Analytical Chemistry from the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago, IL. I am certified in Drug Analysis from the American Board of Criminalistics and I am a ANAB certified auditor.

I enjoy collaborating with other forensic professionals and most recently participated in an interlaboratory study on identifying fentanyl related compounds using gas chromatograph/infrared spectroscopy and gas chromatography/mass spectrometry that was published in the Journal of Forensic Sciences in June 2023. I was also the primary author for language used to control novel designer benzodiazepines in Montana (SB 67, 2023). I have been a member of SWAFS since 2016 and I have participated on the Audit committee as Chair. I have expanded my knowledge and practice of drug analysis with the help of this organization. I look forward to the opportunity to serve SWAFS the best way I can.

In my spare time I like to read and explore the mountains and parks with my husband, daughter and 3 dogs.





Maria L. Olds M.S., ABC-DA is a Forensic Scientist III at the Fort Worth Police Department Crime Laboratory, in Fort Worth, TX. She is licensed as a Forensic Scientist through the Texas Forensic Science Commission (Seized Drugs Analyst and Forensic Toxicologist-Alcohol Only, Non-Interpretive), and certified through the American Board of Criminalistics (Drug Analysis).

Ms. Olds graduated from the University of Missouri-Kansas City with a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry with A.C.S. Certification, in 2005. Prior to working in forensics, she performed research and development work at the federal level for nine years, as a Staff Chemist for MRIGlobal in Kansas City, Missouri. Ms. Olds was a Subject Matter Expert (SME) with regard to gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC/MS) analysis of chemical agents and explosives.

Following her career transition into forensics, she received a Master of Science in Forensic Toxicology from the University of Florida in 2019. Ms. Olds has been published three times in the Journal of Forensic Sciences, and recently published a review article in the Journal of Analytical Toxicology, "Preanalytical Factors Influencing the Stability of Ethanol in Antemortem Blood and Urine Samples." She also presented at the SWAFS (2022) and SAT (2023) conferences, regarding statistical comparisons of 6 mL and 10 mL blood collection tubes for BAC testing.