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On Jan. 27, 2010, a subpoena for the Feb. 1, 2010 hearing was served on Eric Mayland.¹

On Jan. 28, I called Mayland and advised him that we would need him to testify on Monday. He stated that he became the chairman of the Latent Print Section Advisory Committee in 2003. He was the chairman when the current *Minimum AFIS Standards and Controls* were adopted on May 1, 2006. He stated that he has found the 2001 version, which he said are identical to the standards that were adopted when he was chairman in 2006. He stated that ISP policies and procedures are sunset every five years. The procedures are reviewed and updated as needed. I told him we were given the AFIS standards that were adopted May 1989, which contain different language than the standards that are now in place. He said if there was a change in language, there should be a memo to the commander that would have documented any recommendations and changes. I told him I would email him the comparison between the 1989 and 2006 standards so he can see the changes that are of interest to us for Monday's hearing.

At approximately 4:20 p.m., Mayland called to confirm he had received my email. He agreed that it is a fair reading of the two standards to say that the 1989 standards are more restrictive in what is allowed to be submitted into AFIS. He stated that there have been improvements in the AFIS digital imaging technology since 1989 that has allowed ISP to relax the AFIS technical requirements. He stated that the newer standards give the latent print examiner more discretion to run latent prints that the 1989 standards would not have allowed. He stated, when these standards were adopted in 1989, AFIS was new. They may have restricted it not knowing the capability of the system, he said.

¹ Mayland was asked to produce:

- 1) A copy of the current Latent Prints Procedures Manual, Minimum AFIS Standards and Controls adopted on May 1, 2006;
- 2) A copy of all previous Latent Prints Procedures Manual, Minimum AFIS Standards and Controls that were in operation prior to May 1, 2006;
- 3) All records of the Latent Print Section Advisory Committee that you chaired when the current Minimum AFIS Standards and Controls latent print procedures manual was reviewed and approved by the Illinois State, including but not limited to all minutes of the Latent Print Section Advisory Committee that discusses the topic of any changes to the Minimum AFIS Standards and Controls, including internal comments or memorandums relating to the adoption of AFIS technical requirements.