Florida Division
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Welcome Letter from the President of the Florida Division,
International Association for Identification

Dear FDIAI Members,

It is both an honor and a privilege to serve as your 66th President of the Florida Division of the International Association for Identification. I am grateful for the opportunity to commit to this organization and the dedicated professionals whose expertise, involvement, dedication, passion and contributions continue to strengthen and move our Association forward. I would like to extend a special acknowledgment to our new Chairperson, Jennifer Lagomasino-Quarles, and express my sincere gratitude for her leadership, guidance, and continued support.

As I begin this journey, my vision for the FDIAI is to continue strengthening our commitment to education, professional development, and mentorship. Forensic science is constantly evolving, and we must evolve with it. Training is not simply about learning new techniques or staying current with technology; it is about sharing experiences, challenging ourselves, becoming better at what we do and mentoring one another.

The FDIAI is an incredible association, and my goal is to create an environment where every member feels encouraged to participate, share their knowledge, grow professionally, and become leaders. I encourage everyone to take advantage of the training opportunities available, become involved with our committees, attend educational conferences, volunteer to instruct, and consider mentoring those who are just beginning their careers.

As we move forward, I want every member to know that this Association belongs to you. Your ideas, involvement, and willingness to contribute truly matter. Whether you are teaching a workshop, attending a Region class, serving on a committee, or simply sharing your experience with a colleague, you are making a difference and contributing to something much bigger than yourself.

I'm proud to recognize our incredible team of Region Directors: Kylee Owens (Region 1), Heather White (Region 2), Kyanna Cape (Region 3), Genelle Ramirez (Region 4), Tammy App (Region 5), and Cheyenne Remkes (Region 6). Each of these individuals bring exceptional knowledge, dedication, and professionalism to our Association. Their commitment to providing quality training opportunities throughout Florida is invaluable to the growth and development of our members and the forensic profession.

Lastly, I would also like to recognize our three Vice Presidents: VP 1 Kasey Buckner Brager, VP 2 Brian Turner, and newly appointed VP 3 Lacey Oden! Their leadership, dedication, and commitment to the FDIAI reflects the strength of a unified leadership team, working collaboratively to serve our members and ensure our Association continues to excel.

Remember, the strength of our profession is not measured only by what we know individually, but by what we are willing to share collectively.

Sincerely,

Roberto Caceres
President
Florida Division of the International Association for Identification