

## **Research Design Assistance Subcommittee**

### **Mission**

- To assist and guide potential AFTE researchers in creating the best possible study design. By improving research parameters, the subcommittee will strive to ensure the highest quality and scientifically sound practices

### **Duties & Responsibilities**

- Review proposals for future research/experiments/studies
- Make suggestions (if necessary) to improve any proposed research in order to maximize its impact on strengthening the discipline of Firearms and Tool Mark identification
- Utilize outside expertise (statisticians, psychologists, private sector experts, etc) to improve proposed AFTE research
- Promote and expand the variability of research in the discipline of Firearms and Tool Mark identification