



HFSC Toxicology Manager Selected to Editorial Board of Influential Journal

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The Houston Forensic Science Center's Toxicology Manager, Dr. Dayong Lee, has been selected to serve as the 2017 editor of the special edition of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT) official journal.

Dr. Lee will help with the publication of the special issue of the Journal of Analytical Toxicology along with other members of the editorial board.

The special edition is published annually to coincide with the yearly SOFT conference. The journal is one of the most influential publications in forensic toxicology.

Dr. Lee will replace Dr. Robert Johnson of the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office, who served as the SOFT Special Issue Editor for 2016.

Dr. Lee has also been selected as the journal's assistant editor of research, a permanent editorial board position. Dr. Peter Stout, HFSC's COO and vice president is, also a member of that board.

"Dr. Lee's selection to serve on the board of this prestigious journal is further proof of HFSC's commitment to hire the best forensic scientists in the country," said Dr. Peter Stout, HFSC's COO and vice president. "We are proud to have Dr. Lee fill these important positions."

Previously, Dr. Lee has published numerous peer-reviewed articles in scientific journals.

Dr. Lee has a master's degree in forensic science from the University of Illinois and a Ph.D. in toxicology from the University of Maryland.

HFSC is a local government corporation that provides forensic services to the City of Houston and other local agencies. HFSC is overseen by a Board of Directors appointed by the Mayor of Houston and confirmed by the Houston City Council. Its management structure is designed to be responsive to a 2009 recommendation by the National Academy of Sciences that called for crime laboratories to be independent of law enforcement and prosecutorial branches of government.

HFSC currently operates in eight forensic disciplines.

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