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Taking a Bite Out of Animal Crime: Veterinary Forensic Investigation

Biography: Dr. Brooks is a board certified Veterinary Pathologist from the Department of Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences at Penn State University. Dr. Brooks received his Bachelor of Science from Juniata College and his Veterinary Medical Doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania. He practiced clinical veterinary medicine in a mixed animal practice before beginning his academic career at an agricultural laboratory in Sicily, Italy. Dr. Brooks entered a combined residency/PhD training program in veterinary pathology at Penn State where he later joined the faculty. He has received advanced training in forensic pathology, crime scene analysis, and clandestine gravesite identification and excavation. As a veterinary pathologist, he routinely assists law enforcement with animal cruelty investigations and provides instruction to state and local police officers on how to conduct animal crimes investigations. He conducts research on the estimation of the postmortem interval and the pathology of gunshot wounds and teaches in graduate and undergraduate courses in pathology and forensic sciences. Dr. Brooks serves on the board of directors of the International Veterinary Forensic Sciences Association, is a member of the Wildlife Forensics Consensus Body, is a consulting committee member of the American Investigative Society of Cold Cases, and is an associate member of American Academy of Forensic Sciences. His textbook, *Veterinary Forensic Pathology* volumes 1 and 2, is the first textbook in the field of veterinary forensic pathology and is scheduled for release in December.

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