Clinton Hughes
Speaker Biography

J.D. (1997), Brooklyn Law School

(2) Senior Staff Attorney at the Legal Aid Society of New York City, Criminal Defense Practice, DNA Unit

(3) Have tried multiple cases to verdict involving DNA evidence.

(4) Part of the litigation team that successfully obtained the validation studies of the NYC Office of Chief Medical Examiner’s Low Copy Number and Forensic Statistical Tool methodologies, then successfully had those methodologies precluded from one Brooklyn courtroom in 2014.


(6) Project manager for the successful re-engineering of the Forensic Statistical Tool (FST), the proprietary software developed by the NYC Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) that the OCME has refused to share with the defense bar. Developed by NYU engineering students, the re-engineered software is able to provide much more extensive information about DNA mixtures than the OCME has allowed the FST to report. This information should assist defense attorneys in revealing the shortcomings of the FST to the court in criminal cases, and to provide more fodder for cross-examination of government expert witnesses at trial.