



I am honored to be the Chairman of the Scientific Working Group on Imaging Technology (SWGIT). I have been with SWGIT since its inception in 1997 and have also served as the Vice Chairman from 2000 to 2006. My background includes twenty years as a Forensic Imaging and Digital Evidence Examiner with the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory (USACIL). At USACIL I enjoy mentoring and encouraging the next generation of forensic examiners and crime scene investigators. In 2004, I retired after completing a distinguished military career as a Chief Warrant Officer Four. I served twenty two years in the U.S. Army as a Military Policeman, CID Special Agent, Laboratory Division Chief in Europe, and Forensic Imaging Examiner.

The mission of the Scientific Working Group on Imaging Technology is to facilitate the integration of imaging technologies and systems within the criminal justice system (CJS) by providing definitions and recommendations for the capture, storage, processing, analysis, transmission, output and archiving of images.

Our website contains over twenty recommendations and guidelines detailing procedures for digital photography, video and image processing, documenting image enhancement, as well as several other topics important in today's forensic environment. Additionally, you will find contact information and the SWGIT membership process.

SWGIT addresses the concerns that are important to all members of the community including first responders, laboratory examiners, and managers of criminal justice organizations. As we move forward I am confident we will be able to support the imaging community by providing the best practices and guidelines available.

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