

**American Board of Forensic Anthropology of Forensic Anthropology  
Ethics Complaint Form**

The American Board of Forensic Anthropology (ABFA) investigates ethical complaints against its members in accordance with the [Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Manual](#).

The ABFA ethics complaint form shall be used to submit a complaint. A complainant shall specify how the ABFA Code of Ethics and Conduct was violated and provide supporting documentation.

Please complete this form and submit via email along with supporting documentation to the ABFA Secretary, contact information is on the [ABFA Board of Directors page](#).

**Allegation of a Violation of the ABFA Code of Ethics and Conduct**

Specify how the alleged conduct violates the ABFA Code of Ethics and Conduct. Check all that apply:

	Individual did not refrain from exercising professional or personal conduct adverse to the best interests and purposes of the ABFA.
	Individual did not refrain from providing any material misrepresentation of education, training, experience, or area of expertise.
	Individual did not refrain from providing any material misrepresentation of data upon which an expert opinion or conclusion is based. Diplomate did not render opinion and conclusions strictly in accordance with the evidence in the case (hypothetical or real) and to the extent justified by the evidence
	Individual did not refrain from making statements that are not technically correct and scientifically based, including, but not limited to those in written reports, public addresses, or testimony.
	Individual did not act at all times in an impartial manner by employing scientific methodology to reach logical, unbiased conclusions and by reporting all findings in a clear, concise manner.
	Individual did not set a reasonable fee for services; or services were rendered on a contingency fee basis
	Individual did not treat all information from an agency or client with the confidentiality required.
	Individual did not refrain from issuing public statements that appear to represent the position of the ABFA without specific authority first obtained from the Board of Directors.
	Individual did not respect the individual and collective rights of others and/or discriminated on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, marital status, place of birth, physical or mental disabilities, and/or professional standing.
	Individual did not treat others with dignity and respect and/or adhere to zero tolerance against all forms of discrimination and harassment.
	Individual did not treat all decedents and/or next of kin with dignity and respect.
	Individual did not intervene or report unethical behavior, that they witnessed.

**Person completing this form (complainant)**

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Telephone:

Email:

**Subject of complaint (respondent)**

Name:

Affiliation (if known):

**Description of Complaint**

In attached documentation provide a brief description of the alleged actions that are subject of the complaint. Where applicable, complaints should be accompanied by legible copies of documents related to the complaint.

**Signature and Verification**

By signing below, I certify that the information provided in this complaint is true. I also certify that the documents or attachments herein are true and correct copies, to the best of my knowledge.

Name

Signature