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Results of Examination:

Mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) sequences were obtained from the QI.1 hair from the QI hairs from the pliers, the K3 blood sample identified as coming from SCOTT PETERSON, and the K4 saliva sample identified as coming from SHARON ROCHA, the identified mother of LACI PETERSON. The mtDNA sequences obtained from QI.1 and K4 are the same. Therefore, LACI PETERSON cannot be excluded as the source of the QI.1 hair.

Using the mtDNA population database currently available to the FBI Laboratory (CODISmt version 1.2, containing 5071 individuals, searching nucleotide positions 16104-16365 and 73-340), the mtDNA sequence obtained from specimens QI.1 and K4 has been observed as follows:

Database	Number of Observations	Individuals in Database	Upper Bound Frequency Estimate
Caucasian	10	1814	0.89%

The mtDNA sequences obtained from QI.1 and K3 are different. Therefore, SCOTT PETERSON can be excluded as the source of the QI.1 hair.

The mtDNA sequencing results are detailed below. Results are listed as differences from the published Cambridge Reference Sequence (rCRS).

Specimen	QI.1 hair from pliers	K3 Scott Peterson	K4 Sharon Rocha
Range	aa 15946-16389	aa 15986-16389	aa 15946-16389
EVI	16189 C	16147 T 16183 C 16189 C 16270 T	16189 C
Range	aa 49-487	aa 49-487	aa 49-487
BVI	263 G 308.1 C 308.2 C* 315.1 C	78 G 199-T 283 G 308.1 C	263 G 308.1 C 308.2 C* 315.1 C
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No other mtDNA examinations were conducted.

