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Date: July 22, 2002

From: Tracie L. Kahler, IRB Administrator

To: Mitchell M. Metzger

Subject: Proposal for Use of Human Participants in Research -Exemption (IRB #14497)

Approval Expiration Date: July 22, 2003

"Using the Internet for Data Collection -A Face Recognition Procedure"

Your proposal for use of human participants in your research has been reviewed and approved for a one-year period. Participants in your research are at minimal risk.

Participants must receive a copy of the informed consent form and the written explanation of your study that was submitted to this office for review.

PLEASE NOTE: Beginning July 1, 2002, we will no longer require investigators to send to the Office for Research Protections the signed informed consent forms for archiving. Instead, the principal investigator will be expected to maintain the original signed consent forms along with the IRB research records for each research project.

Unless the research falls within the purview of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the investigator is responsible for retaining the signed consent and assent documents and IRB research records for at least three (3) years after termination of IRB approval. For research that falls under the FDA's authority, the investigator is responsible for retaining the signed documents and IRB research records for the period specified in valid FDA regulations.

By accepting this decision you agree to notify this office of (1) any additions or changes in procedures for your study that modify the participants' risks in any way and (2) any events that affect the safety or well being of participants.

The University appreciates your efforts to conduct research in compliance with the federal regulations that have been established to ensure the protection of human participants.

TLK/mbc

cc: Ryan C. Gatewood
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