You are invited to participate in a survey, entitled “What’s Love Got to do With it?: The Effects of Gender and Perceived Motive on Supervisor’s Credibility in Workplace Romances.” The study is being conducted by **Kailey Slone and Jill Wallace of the Department of Communication Studies** of Texas State University – San Marcos, **601 University Drive, (512)245-2165**, ks1321@txstate.edu or jw1707@txstate.edu.

The purpose of this study is to examine **the effects of gender and perceived motive on supervisor’s credibility in workplace romances**. Your participation in the survey will contribute to a better understanding of**how certain types of relationships affect perceptions of a supervisor in the workplace**. We estimate that it will take about **30 minutes** of your time to complete the questionnaire.  You are free to contact the investigator at the above address and phone number to discuss the survey.

Risks to participants are considered minimal.  There will be no costs for participating, nor will compensation be offered. A limited number of research team members will have access to the data during data collection. Names, emails, and any information that could potentially identify individual respondents will be stripped from the final dataset. The data will be stored in the researchers’ computers, which are password protected.  The complete dataset will be stored until the analyses are performed and the dataset with any identifiable information stripped will be kept password-protected in the researchers’ computers for future analyses.

Your participation in this survey is voluntary.  You may withdraw or not answer any question at any time without prejudice or jeopardy from Texas State University.  If you wish to withdraw from the study or have any questions, contact the investigator listed above.

If you have any questions or would like us to email another person from your institution or update your email address, please call **Kailey Slone or Jill Wallace** at **(512)245-2165** or send an email to **ks1321@txstate.edu or jw1707@txstate.edu**. You may also request a hard copy of the survey from the contact information above.

To complete the survey, click on the link below:

**[HTTP://LINK TO SURVEY URL]**The password for the survey is **[PASSWORD]**.

If you do not want to receive any more reminders, you may email us at **ks1321@txstate.edu or jw1707@txstate.edu** or follow this link to opt out of future emails **[HTTP://LINK TO REMOVAL URL]**.

This study has been reviewed and approved by Texas State University – San Marcos Institutional Review Board.   If you have questions about your rights as a study participant or are dissatisfied at any time with any aspect of this study, you may contact - anonymously, if you wish - the Institutional Review Board chair, Dr. Jon Lasser (512-245-3413 – [lasser@txstate.edu](mailto:lasser@txstate.edu)), or to Ms. Becky Northcut, Compliance Specialist (512-245-2102).

IRB Approval Number: **[STUDY NUMBER]**

If you agree to participate please press the arrow button at the bottom right of the screen otherwise, close this window and disconnect.

Thank you.