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**Jon Adler**  
**Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance**  
Jon Adler is the director of the US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Director Adler served as an active-duty federal law enforcement officer since 1991, and prior to his presidential appointment as BJA Director, served 16 years with the United States Attorneyis Office in the Southern District of New York. In his capacity as the Chief Firearms Training Officer, Jon oversaw the districtis Use of Force training program. In the course of his 26 years of service in law enforcement, Director Adler was honored to serve as a First Responder at Ground "Hero" on September 11th, 2001. He also served as the National President of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA) for seven years, and as a Board Officer for 13 years. He was also honored to serve as the Vice Chair of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF) under the Chair leadership of former Attorney General John Ashcroft. Additionally, Jon has served as the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (F.L.E.O.A.) Foundationis National President, was the first Chair of the Congressional Badge of Bravery Federal Review Board, chartered and served on the Department of Homeland Security Federal Law Enforcement Advisory Board, and served on the Executive Board of the International Council of Police Represented Associations.

Jon is a proud member of Beta Gamma Sigma (National Business Honor Society), Kappa Delta Pi (International Honor Society in Education), and a charter member of the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from Baruch College (graduated Magna Cum Laude) and a master’s degree in Human Resource Administration and Training, with an emphasis in law enforcement from Seton Hall University (graduated Magna Cum Laude).

**Stanley Andrisse**  
**Director and Co-Founder, Prison to Professionals, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine**  
Dr. Stanley Andrisse is a formerly incarcerated person who is now an endocrinologist scientist at Johns Hopkins Medicine. He is the co-founder and director of Prisons to Professionals. Stanley grew up in Ferguson-Florissant, Missouri. In his early 20is, he was sentenced to 10 years in a maximum-security prison for drug-related crimes. While in prison Stanleyis father died of complications related to diabetes. Stanley was enrolled in college before entering prison. Upon release, he was accepted into a Ph.D. program, completed his Ph.D./M.B.A. simultaneously, and is now performing diabetes research at Johns Hopkins Medicine.

Stanley is on the board of Advocates for Goucher Prison Education Partnership and is Executive Director of From Prison Cells to PhD. He is a 2018 JustLeadershipUSA Fellow and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Culture of Health Leader. He also an assistant professor at the Howard University College of Medicine in Physiology and adjunct assistant professor at Johns Hopkins Medicine in Pediatrics.

**Jessica Barfield**  
**Assistant Director, TN Office of Criminal Justice Programs**  
Jessica Barfield is the Assistant Director at the Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs (OCJP), which functions as Tennesseeis strategic planning agency that secures, distributes, and manages federal and state funds for Tennessee. As the Assistant Director of Programs, Jessica leads 13 program managers providing programmatic oversight and project implementation assistance to agencies statewide. In addition, Jessica serves on OCJP’s Strategic Planning Team where she has brought new funding ideas to Tennessee including HABIT, a human-animal therapy intervention, as well as restorative justice and culturally specific training opportunities. Jessica has served as Tennesseeis VOCA Administrator and has been responsible for implementing projects that are part of former Governor Haslamis Public Safety initiatives to decrease domestic violence in the state. This work includes creation and distribution of the statewide domestic violence public service campaign, increasing the capacity of the statewide domestic violence hotline and coordinating statewide stakeholder meetings on violence against women. Prior to her time at OCJP, Jessica worked as the Director of Victim services at a local Child Advocacy Center in Tennessee.

Jessica received her bachelor’s degree in Psychology from the University of South Florida and her Masters of Education in Community Development and Action from Vanderbilt University.

**Shakita Bland**  
**Fidelity and Program Quality Assurance Unit, VA Department of Corrections**  
Shakita Bland began her career with the Virginia Department of Corrections as a Counselor at Bland Correctional Center in
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2006. She lateralled to Pocahontas State Correctional Center to gain experience in assisting with opening a new institution in 2007. During her time at Pocahontas State Correctional Center, she promoted to Psychology Associate in 2010 then Unit Manager in 2013. After serving in that capacity, she promoted to Chief of Housing and Programs at Bland Correctional Center in November 2013. Shakita was recently promoted to the Fidelity and Program Quality Assurance Unit with Virginia Department of Corrections, Richmond, VA in 2018. Prior to working for the Department, Shakita was employed in Private Sector Mental Health facilities in West Virginia and Virginia as a Qualified Mental Health Professional. She is a graduate of Concord University with a bachelor’s degree in sociology and geography, and master’s degrees in psychology and criminal justice and security administration from the University. Shakita was a Sergeant in the United States Army Reserves.

Kenneth D. Bobo  
Director, Kalamazoo County (MI) Office of Community Corrections  
Ken Bobo has been involved in the criminal justice system for more than 40 years.

As the Director of the Kalamazoo County (Michigan) Office of Community Corrections, Ken brings his no-nonsense passion for cutting to the chase to others help themselves. A primary mission of the office is the rehabilitation of offenders through cognitive change and community integration.

A former police officer/paramedic and assistant prosecutor, Ken founded a county-wide drug treatment court, has had prosecutorial oversight of local and regional drug enforcement teams, and has served as a clinical instructor for law enforcement and EMS programs at local colleges and universities.

Nigel Bowe  
Program Director, The Choice is Yours

Nigel Bowe has been in the Human Services field for 30 years, and has worked with various populations throughout his career, with most of his work being with at justice involved young adults and their families. Throughout his career he has operated residential alternative to incarceration programs for 14-17-year-old males, as well as Integration Day programs for 14-17-year-old male and females returning from residential placement. Nigel has worked with youth over the years in the states of SC, FL, VA, DE, NJ, and now PA.

Nigel moved to the Tri-State area in 1999, and for the last 15 years has been employed with JEVS Human Services. He currently is the Program Director for The Choice is Yours, which is a diversion program developed by Philadelphia’s District Attorney Office for first time non-violent offenders. Nigel holds a BS in Sociology and is a certified Offender Workforce Development Specialist through the state of PA. Nigel is also a motivational speaker, presenter, trainer and facilitator. Nigel has an athletic background having played college football at VA Tech, as well as having a short stint with the 1985 Dallas Cowboys.

Leah Bower  
Supervisor, Research and Evaluation Unit, Ramsey County (MN) Community Corrections

Leah Bower is the supervisor of the Research and Evaluation Unit for Ramsey County Community Corrections located in St. Paul, MN. She received her master’s degree in applied anthropology at American University and a bachelor’s degree from Connecticut College. Leah has eighteen years of evaluative experience in local government including in social services and criminal justice. She leads staff in the design, implementation and maintenance of program and system evaluations as well as participating in system wide initiatives to reduce racial disparities and promote better outcomes for clients served by the county.

Jennifer Brinkman  
Director, TN Office of Justice Programs

Jennifer Brinkman brings her expertise in working in the field of violence against women to the Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs (OCJP), with over twenty years of professional experience working in the criminal justice field. As the Director of OCJP, she is responsible for over $60 million in federal and state funds for criminal justice initiatives. She has been with the state for over nine years. Jennifer started at OCJP as Governor Haslam’s first Public Safety Action Plan was underway, which focused on violent crime and domestic violence. She brings her knowledge of the criminal justice system to the plan through the identification of gaps and available resources to meet those gaps by coordinating local government, state government, and community agencies across the state to leverage available resources to better serve the citizens of Tennessee. In her time at OCJP, Jennifer has been responsible for implementing Governor Haslam’s Public Safety initiatives to decrease domestic violence in the state. Her work includes: increasing the number of family justice centers from 2 in 2012 to nine in 2018; implementing a statewide lethality assessment program with law enforcement; and coordinating statewide stakeholder
meetings on violence against women. Before coming to OCJP, Jennifer worked for 2 years for the Tennessee Board of Probation and Parole where she implemented evidence based programming for offenders under the supervision of the Board. Her work in multiple levels of the criminal justice system demonstrates her commitment to improving outcomes for offenders and victims. Jennifer’s past work experience includes the YWCA of Nashville and the Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence.

**Mannone Butler**  
Executive Director, DC Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Mannone Butler has over 15 years of legal and policy experience with her passion for the community. As Executive Director of the District of Columbia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC), she is responsible for bringing together local, federal, legislative, executive, and judicial leaders to develop comprehensive strategies to address long-standing and emerging criminal and juvenile justice issues facing the District of Columbia. Mannone oversees the District’s integrated justice information system, JUSTIS, and the District’s Statistical Analysis Center. Further, she is responsible for developing process efficiencies for the optimization of agency resources, reviewing cost drivers and monitoring effective performance metrics. In this role, she has provided comprehensive organizational leadership. Under her management, the CJCC has been designated a criminal justice agency for information sharing purposes and received an Excellence.gov award for Intergovernmental collaboration in 2012 for JUSTIS.

Upon joining the CJCC in 2006, as its Legal Advisor and Program Analyst, Mannone provided legal counsel to the agency on criminal and juvenile justice matters, and she helped guide strategic priorities with a specific focus on re-entry, emergency planning and grants planning. She was instrumental in streamlining business operations and made improvement recommendations, which included development and management of standard operating procedures. During her tenure, she was tapped to serve as the CJCC’s Interim Executive Director, and then advanced to become the agency’s Deputy Executive Director before her appointment to lead the agency.

Prior to joining the CJCC, Mannone practiced law with the Law Offices of Curtis T. White, P.C. and served as Director of Program Operations for the Urban Family Institute where she managed all of the organization’s programmatic efforts, streamlined its models, policies and strategies to create sustainable community-based initiatives, and developed the Bridge, a program for incarcerated fathers to engage and stay connected with their children. She earned her B.S. in Finance from Georgetown University and J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center.
Previously Stephanie served as an Assistant Attorney General in the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia. As an Assistant Attorney General, she prosecuted juvenile cases and represented the District in post-adjudication juvenile matters. In addition, she was a Staff Attorney at the National District Attorneys’ Association’s (NDAA) National Juvenile Justice Prosecution Center as well as at NDAA’s Drug Prosecution and Prevention Program.

Stephanie served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable William I. Cowin of the Massachusetts Appeals Court. She received her B.A., summa cum laude, in History and American Studies from Boston College, where she was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. She received her J.D., with honors in Litigation and Dispute Resolution, from Boston University School of Law, where she was a member of the Public Interest Law Journal. A Massachusetts native, she is a member of the Massachusetts and District of Columbia bars.

Roberta Churchill
Senior Criminal Justice Associate, Advocates for Human Potential

Roberta Churchill, MA, LHMC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor) is currently a Senior Criminal Justice Associate with Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. She began her criminal justice career at the Barnstable County Sheriff’s Office in 1996 and returned to the facility as Director of Inmate Services for 13 months in 2017–2018. Roberta has previously worked with AdCare Criminal Justice Services for 18 years in a variety of positions at community corrections sites, treatment courts as well as correctional facilities since 1998. Roberta has an extensive background working with justice involved individuals who have co-occurring disorders, developing and supervising medication-assisted treatment, RSAT and gender-specific programs. She has been providing clinical supervision, training and consultation for over twenty years in the areas of evidence-based interventions and is one of the few LS/CMI Master Trainers, internationally. More recently Roberta has become a Motivational Interviewing Trainer through the Health Education Training Institute based in Portland, Maine.

Jac Charlier
Executive Director, TASC Center for Health and Justice

Jac joined TASC in 2011, bringing 16 years of service in the Parole Division of the Illinois Department of Corrections, where he specialized in building connections between parole and the community, and transferring innovations from research into practice. Beginning as a street parole officer, he rose through the ranks to become the deputy chief of parole, leading system-wide parole operations for the Chicago metropolitan area. In the Parole Division, he started the first parole domestic violence reduction initiative and the first gender-specific caseload supervision system.

Jac is a faculty member with the National Judicial College for the Justice Leaders Systems Change Initiative (JLSCI), a general jurisdiction court systems change approach to reducing drug use and recidivism while promoting recovery. He served as the criminal justice representative for the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at the University of Illinois at Chicago and is an adjunct faculty member at several Chicago-area universities, where he teaches criminal justice courses around ethics, leadership, research, and management. He also speaks regularly on the topics of civic engagement, community building, and criminal justice reform.

Jac is a military veteran of the US Army, current board chair of Chicago Veterans, and a member of the American Legion. He also is an Eagle Scout and past chair of the National Eagle Scout Association, Chicagoland Chapter. Jac received his MPA from the John Glenn School of Public Affairs at The Ohio State University and his BS in mathematics from the University of Illinois at Urbana.

Harold Clarke
Director, VA Department of Corrections

Harold W. Clarke is the Director of the Virginia Department of Corrections. He has more than 40 years of award-winning experience in the corrections field. He started his career at the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, and then served at the Washington State Department of Corrections and Massachusetts Department of Corrections. In 2010, he was appointed director of the Virginia Department of Corrections. He previously served as president of the American Correctional Association and Association of State Correctional Administrators. His leadership emphasizes improving re-entry and reducing recidivism.

Sean Conlin
Principal, Strategy & Operations Consulting, Deloitte

Sean is a principal with Deloitte Consulting LLP’s Strategy & Operations practice. His work focuses on using structured and unstructured data to help clients achieve efficiencies and manage risk.
Lauren Cummings  
Executive Director, Northern Shenandoah Valley Substance Abuse Coalition  
Lauren Cummings is the Executive Director of the Northern Shenandoah Valley Substance Abuse Coalition in Winchester, Virginia. She serves on the Virginia Governor’s Advisory Commission on Opioids and Addiction which aims to develop comprehensive policy responses to the opioid crisis. Lauren was one of the original members of the Substance Abuse Coalition, which was formed in 2014 with the mission of collaborating with community partners to take the lead in identifying and developing effective resources to ensure that the necessary continuum of care for substance use and addiction services is available to all members of the Northern Shenandoah Valley community. Under Lauren’s leadership, the Northwest Regional Adult Drug Treatment Court was launched in August, 2016 to divert high-risk individuals charged with non-violent drug offenses out of incarceration and into treatment. Lauren has also been heavily involved in regional community outreach and led efforts to launch roadtorecovery.info, a centralized online resource for individuals and loved ones impacted by the disease of addiction.

Prior to becoming the Executive Director of the Coalition, Lauren served as the Police Community Relations/Crime Prevention Specialist for the Winchester Police Department for three and a half years. Upon entering her role with the police department, Lauren had more than eight years of experience as a television reporter, producer, and anchor. She spent part of her career working as a producer for Newschannel 8 and ABC 7 in Washington D.C.

Kimberly Dalferes  
Senior Associate, Booz Allen Hamilton  
Kim Dalferes’s career has focused on criminal and juvenile justice policy and reform for over 30 years. She currently serves as a Senior Associate with Booz Allen Hamilton, where her responsibilities, including serving as Project Director for the Performance Measurement Tool Project in support of the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs. Kim’s background includes her work at the National Crime Prevention Council, the U.S. Department of Justice (Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention), and Florida’s Department of Juvenile Justice. Kim earned her Master’s degree in Criminology from Florida State University.

Reagan Daly  
Research Director, CUNY Institute for State and Local Governance  
Reagan Daly is the research director at the Institute for State and Local Governance with more than 10 years of experience developing and managing criminal justice research in applied settings. She has extensive experience in experimental and quasi-experimental evaluation design, implementation assessment, and performance measurement.

Prior to joining the Institute, Reagan served as the assistant commissioner for research and planning at the New York City Department of Probation (DOP), Reagan was an associate research director at the Vera Institute of Justice. She has overseen the implementation of new risk-needs assessment instruments at DOP, including the development of a monitoring and validation plan, and, together with partners from the Center for Court Innovation, designed a quasi-experimental evaluation of DOPs neighborhood-based model of probation supervision, called the Neighborhood Opportunity Network (NeON), that was funded by the National Institute of Justice. During her time at Vera, she oversaw, among other projects, a two-year mixed methods research study of parole violations for the New York State Division of Parole and an evaluation of New York City’s first Social Impact Bond Initiative.

Reagan received her PhD in criminology from the University of Pennsylvania in 2005.

Kristen E. DeVall  
Professor, Department of Sociology and Criminology, University of North Carolina Wilmington  
Kristen DeVall is a professor in the Sociology and Criminology Department at the University of North Carolina Wilmington. She conducts program evaluations for drug treatment court programs in Michigan and North Carolina, as well as a re-entry program for women in Wilmington, North Carolina. In addition, recent work has included serving as a Co-Principle investigator for statewide evaluations of Michigan’s Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP) and North Carolinais TASC program, as well as an assessment of the mental health service delivery within the Wayne County (MI) Jails. Her work has been published in Crime & Delinquency, The Journal of Drug Issues, The Prison Journal, International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology, and Substance Use and Misuse and seeks to bridge the gap between academia and practitioners, as well as influence the development of evidence-based policies and practices. She received her Ph.D. from Western Michigan University in 2008.
Shannon Dion  
**Director, VA Department of Criminal Justice Services**  
Shannon Dion was appointed by Governor Ralph Northam as the Director of the Department of Criminal Justice Services in January 2018, after serving as the Department’s Director of Policy and Legislative Affairs since 2014. Shannon has dedicated her career to improving public safety in the City of Richmond and in the Commonwealth. She is a former prosecutor who worked for the City of Richmond and the Office of the Attorney General.

As an Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney, for almost six years Shannon worked with victims, witnesses, law enforcement, probation officers, defense attorneys, and judges to seek just outcomes for everyone impacted by crime. She handled a variety of cases, including traffic offenses, financial crimes, sexual assaults, domestic violence, firearms, robberies, malicious woundings and aggravated assaults, and murders.

At the Office of the Attorney General, Shannon prosecuted crimes in state and federal courts, represented several public safety agencies, and implemented public safety initiatives. The last few years of her nearly seven-year tenure at the office, Shannon served as the head of the Criminal Prosecutions and Enforcement Unit.

Shannon graduated from the University of Virginia and obtained her law degree from the University of Richmond, T.C. Williams School of Law.

Kevin Donahue  
**Deputy Mayor Public Safety and Justice, Washington DC**  
Appointed by then Mayor-elect Muriel Bowser in December 2014, Kevin Donahue serves as the Deputy City Administrator and the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice. In both roles, he brings an analytical approach that utilizes data to deliver tangible results to the residents of the District of Columbia.

Kevin’s use of data as a tool to improve core city functions began in 2008 when he served as Director of CapStat, a data-based accountability system, involves bringing together leadership across government agencies for a clear, issue-specific discussion that focuses on the effectiveness of strategies and choices. Prior to joining the Bowser Administration, Kevin served as the Executive Director of the Federal government’s Performance Improvement Council. Kevin also led the successful development of a reform agenda for the US General Services Administration following a damaging conference-spending scandal. Previously, Kevin worked at the US Department of the Treasury, serving as the Director for Strategic & Planning and Performance Improvement and a Senior Advisor to its Assistant Secretary for Management and CFO.

Kevin holds a BA in government from Georgetown University, and a Master’s degree in public policy from Harvard University.

Ellen Donnarumma  
**Vice President for Justice Services, Community Resources for Justice**  
Ellen Weiss Donnarumma has more than 30 years of experience working in operations, business development, and community and government relations for a variety of political, human service, and criminal justice organizations. Ellen has held senior management and executive positions with several industry leaders in the field of community corrections. Since joining Community Resources for Justice (CRJ) in 2006, she has served as chief development officer, senior director of business development, and since 2015, vice president for justice services. Ellen oversees CRJ’s adult reentry portfolio which includes residential and non-residential community-based options for federal, state and county jurisdictions and programming for young adults with complex clinical needs. Ellen is president of the International Community Corrections Association and holds a BA from Marquette University.

Dawn Doran  
**Acting Director, SMART Office**  
Dawn Doran serves as the acting Director of the SMART Office for the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs. Ms. Doran’s responsibilities include working with the staff and federal partners to administer the standards for the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) for the 50 states, five principal U.S. territories, the District of Columbia and approximately 160 tribes. She also provides training and technical assistance to matters related to sex offender registration, notification and other sex offender management issues to the SORNA jurisdictions as well as to national, state and local government entities and advocacy organizations.

Prior to joining the SMART Office, Dawn served as the Deputy Director of the National District Attorneys Association’s (NDAA) Child Abuse Programs, including the National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse in Alexandria, Virginia, and the National Child Protection Training Center in Winona, Minnesota. In this capacity, she managed and supervised activities and operations of the two Centers and their staffs; provided training and technical assistance to prosecutors, law enforcement, child protection workers, social workers,
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**Dawn Brown**

Medical personnel and other allied criminal justice professionals engaged in the investigation and prosecution of child abuse, neglect and exploitation cases; and authored or contributed to numerous child abuse publications, among them the “Investigation and Prosecution of Child Abuse” Third Edition. Dawn also worked extensively with the media on child abuse issues.

She formerly served NDAA as Interim Program Manager of the National Juvenile Justice Prosecution Center, where she oversaw the development of the first Jumpstart resource training manual for newly assigned juvenile prosecutors. She also served as the Senior Attorney and Acting Director of the National Traffic Law Center, where she was responsible for creating a new program entitled Protecting Lives, Saving Futures.

Prior to her service at NDAA, she was an Assistant District Attorney General in Memphis, Tennessee, where she tried a wide variety of cases, up to and including capital litigation. She served as co-chairman of the Sexual Offenders Registry Violation Unit and was a member of the Domestic Violence Unit, the Child Physical and Sexual Abuse Warrant Review Unit, and the Child Fatality Review Team. Additionally, she served as the district attorney liaison to the Citizens Crime Commission.

Dawn received her B.S. in Public/Business Administration from the University of Tennessee at Martin and her law degree from the University of Tennessee. She is a member of the United States Supreme Court Bar, the Tennessee State Bar and the Virginia State Bar.

**Kevin Downey**

President & CEO, Crosspoint

Kevin was recognized by the National Association of Social Workers’ Alamo Branch as their 2019 Public Citizen of the Year. He has a Ph.D. in Public Policy Analysis and Administration from St. Louis University, a master’s degree in Criminal Justice Management from Sam Houston State University, and a bachelor’s degree in Social Work from the University of Iowa.

**Mark Fero**

Grants Compliance Supervisor, VA Department of Criminal Justice Services

Mark Fero currently serves as the Grants Compliance Supervisor for Virginia’s State Administering Agency, at the Department of Criminal Justice Services. For the previous 13 years, he was the Programs Administration Manager in the Executive and Administration Division for the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia where he provided program and financial oversight to federal- and state-funded grant programs including Project Safe Neighborhoods. After graduating from the University of Maryland, College Park, with a degree in Behavioral and Social Science, he joined the Army and was recruited by the Honor Guard, 3rd U.S. Infantry (“The Old Guard” Escort to the President) as a Finance Specialist. During that time he was a registered Private Investigator with the Department of Criminal Justice Services in Virginia. In addition to serving on the Governor’s Advisory Board on Volunteerism and National Service, he serves the community as the Chair of the Richmond Police Foundation Board, and as the Treasurer for the Virginia Service Foundation. He is the President of Fero Enterprises LLC, a consulting company whose primary focus is program and financial development for nonprofit, public, and privately run organizations.

**Arti Finn**

Chief Business Development Officer and Co-Founder, American Prison Data Systems

Arti Finn is the Chief Development Officer and Co-Founder of American Prison Data Systems, Inc. She is a business development expert with more than 20 years experience creating and selling marketing opportunities for such brands as The New York Times.

Arti joined APDS in 2013 to direct the company’s sales and marketing initiatives. Today, she is in charge of building and maintaining strategic partnerships, managing business development and supporting all sales and marketing activities. Previously she worked in high-level sales and client relations roles for Time Warner, the American Museum of Natural History, The Princeton Review and Partnership for New York City.
Arti has an MBA from Northwestern University and a B.A. from Kenyon College.

**Julie Finn**  
Policy Implementation Specialist, Crime and Justice Institute, Community Resources for Justice  
Julie Finn is a Policy Implementation Specialist at the Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) at Community Resources for Justice and has been with CJI for more than 13 years. She works on projects that support efforts to improve juvenile and criminal justice programs, policies, and services. Julie helps agencies and stakeholders use data to inform decision-making, conducts action research, and provides project management.

In 2015, Julie began to work closely with CRJ’s community-based residential reentry centers in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, and Rhode Island to provide technical assistance and project management for CRJ’s “Operation Integrate” initiative. This collaborative effort brings the expertise of two CRJ divisions together to enhance the use of evidence-based practices in CRJ’s programs to do what works and what matters to reduce the risk of CRJ clients re-offending.

Julie is committed to working with project partners to improve systems and processes and to understanding the challenges of implementing research-based practices in the field. Julie graduated from Colby College in Waterville, Maine with a Bachelor of Arts in Government.

**Tom Fitzpatrick**  
Division Director, Programs and Services, VA Department of Criminal Justice Services  
Tom Fitzpatrick currently serves as the Division Director for Programs and Services and oversees the Department’s victim services efforts, pretrial and local probation programs, mental health and substance addiction responses, and juvenile justice and child welfare initiatives. He joined the department in 2015 as the policy advisor. He previously worked for the City of Richmond as the Chief Deputy Director at the Department of Social Services and as a Deputy Director at the Department of Justice Services. Tom received both his undergraduate and law degrees from the College of William and Mary and is a graduate of the Virginia Executive Institute, Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership, and Leadership Metro Richmond.

**Carla Ford**  
Senior Research Analyst, Research Fidelity and Program Quality Assurance Unit, VA Department of Corrections  
Carla Ford currently serves as a Senior Research Analyst, with the Virginia Department of Corrections. She brings over 20 years of experience in Program Fidelity in the Correctional Environment. She began her career as a Staff Psychologist at a Maximum Security Prison and later worked in the same capacity at a Medium Security, Therapeutic Community. Carla later worked as the departmental Mental Health Training and Development Coordinator with the largest department in the Commonwealth. Additionally, she has experience rolling out Evidence Based Practices in the Community Corrections environment. Carla hold a bachelor’s degree in Business Management and master’s degree in Community/Clinical Psychology.

**Lorie Fridell**  
Chief Executive Officer and Executive-Level Instructor, University of South Florida  
Lorie Fridell, a professor of Criminology at the University of South Florida and a former Director of Research at the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), is a national expert on biased policing. She has authored and co-authored a number of books, chapters and articles on the topic. While at PERF she co-authored with colleagues Racially Biased Policing: A Principled Response, which guides law enforcement executives on how to respond to the issues of racially biased policing and the perceptions of its practice. Concerned about the very high expectations that stakeholders had with regard to the data collected on police stops, she wrote By the Numbers: A Guide for Analyzing Race Data from Vehicle Stops and the companion book, Understanding Race Data from Vehicle Stops: A Stakeholders Guide. Her most recent book (Springer 2017) is entitled Bias-Free Policing: A Science-Based Approach.

With the assistance of experts on the science of bias and on policing and with funding from the USDOJ COPS Office, Lorie Fridell and Anna Laszlo (FIP’s Curriculum Designer) created the iFair & Impartial Policing (FIP) Training Program. FIP, LLC is now the #1 provider of implicit bias awareness training for law enforcement in North America. Lori and FIP have been highlighted in The Police Chief, Psychology Today, the Washington Post, the Harvard Business Review, National Geographic, Mother Jones, and other periodicals. Lorie trains FIP at the command/executive level and is a frequent keynote speaker at conferences on the important topic of biased policing and implicit bias awareness training.
Gretta Goodwin  
**Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office**

Dr. Gretta L. Goodwin is a Director in GAO’s Homeland Security and Justice team, where she leads GAO’s work on justice and law enforcement issues. The portfolio includes Department of Justice grants, firearms, the federal judiciary, federal prisons, the Secret Service, justice issues, and vulnerable populations. She has led reviews on DNA evidence backlogs, Pell Grants for incarcerated students, juvenile justice issues for Native American youth, prohibited purchasers of firearms, criminal aliens statistics, human trafficking, federal criminal restitution, background checks for gun purchases involving domestic violence records, federal data on sexual violence, Bureau of Prisons inmate health care costs, and the Capitol Police Board.

Gretta joined GAO in August 1998 and has worked on a range of issues, including Social Security reform, disability, women in the workforce, the H-1B visa program, polling place accessibility during the 2000 election, Davis-Bacon wage setting, the DC school voucher program, 529 college savings plans, and contingent workers in the aftermath of the Great Recession.

Gretta earned a Ph.D. and a master’s degree in economics from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and a bachelor’s degree in economics from the University of Houston. She has been an instructor in the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration at The George Washington University, where she taught graduate classes in public policy analysis as well as the economics of public policy decision-making.

Robert Green  
**Secretary, MD Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services**

Robert L. Green was appointed Secretary of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services by Governor Larry Hogan in April 2019. He has more than 34 years of experience in public safety and corrections, most recently as Director of the Montgomery County Department of Correction and Rehabilitation. During his career, Green created a Detention Services Re-Entry Unit at the Montgomery County Correctional Facility which was nationally recognized and replicated in other jurisdictions across the country.

While under his watch, that department received numerous National Association of Counties awards for innovations and commitment to the best in correctional practices.

Secretary Green also served as the Director of Corrections and Corrections Bureau Chief for the Frederick County Sheriff’s Office, where he worked with county and judicial leaders to successfully enhance alternatives to incarceration, serving under three sheriffs during his tenure. One of his proudest accomplishments is beginning his career as a correctional officer in Maryland in 1985 following completion of the academy.

Green is a longtime member of the American Correctional Association and currently serves on the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections. Green currently serves two gubernatorial appointments for Governor Hogan as the Chair of the Maryland Commission on Correctional Standards and the State Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board.

Katie Greene  
**Program Director, Health Division, National Governors Association**

Katie Greene serves as program director for the NGA Solutions: The Center for Best Practices Health Division, focusing on issues related to opioids and substance use disorders, infectious disease and other public health issues. Prior to joining NGA, Katie served as a managing associate at the Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy. She also served as senior policy advisor and associate director of the Office of Intergovernmental and Public Liaison at the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, a state-federal liaison at the Department of Homeland Security, and deputy director of federal relations for Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano.

Katie holds a master’s degree in public policy from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University and a bachelor’s degree from Duke University.

Stephen Haas  
**Fellow and Technical Director of Research and Evaluation, Children & Youth, Justice and Behavioral Health Unit, ICF International**

Stephen M. Haas is fellow and technical director of research and evaluation for the Children & Youth, Justice and Behavioral Health unit at ICF. He most recently served as chief for the National Institute of Corrections, Community Services Division where his work centered on the implementation of several national initiatives pertaining to promising and evidence-based approaches in the community.

Prior to NIC, Stephen served as the director of the West Virginia Office of Research and Strategic Planning (ORSP)
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and deputy director of the Division of Justice and Community Services (DJCS) where he oversaw the Criminal Justice Statistical Analysis Center (CJSAC) and the Justice Center for Evidence Based Practice (JCEBP). His office was responsible for overseeing training and quality assurance processes in all community supervision agencies in the state.

Stephen received his Ph.D. from the University of Cincinnati. He is a certified Master Trainer for the Level of Service Case Management/Inventory (LS/CMI), and routinely conducts evidence-based practice workshop in corrections both inside and outside of the United States.

Loh Eng Hao
Research Psychologist, Singapore Prison Service
Loh Eng Hao is a Research Psychologist with Singapore Prison Service since receiving his master's degree in General Psychology from New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences in 2014. Loh has worked on many research projects that involves inter-ministry collaborations and has presented to various Ministers and policy makers of the Singapore Government. Asides from his research work, Loh is also involved in carrying out clinical interventions as well as risk assessments for inmates housed within the Prison’s jurisdiction.

Erin Harbinson
Research Fellow, Robina Institute of Criminal Law and Criminal Justice
Erin Harbinson is a Research Fellow at the Robina Institute of Criminal Law and Criminal Justice. She received her PhD in criminal justice from the University of Cincinnati. Her dissertation examined the predictive validity of a correctional risk/needs assessment on white-collar offenders.

Prior to joining the Robina Institute, Erin worked as a policy analyst for the Council of State Governments Justice Center by providing technical assistance to states implementing justice reinvestment legislation and data driven policies. She has experience with the University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute, where she evaluated correctional programs and conducted training for correctional staff on risk assessment and other evidence-based practices in corrections. Erin’s research interests include corrections policy, community supervision, parole decision-making, and white-collar crime.

LaResse Harvey
Senior Member and Founder, Civic Trust Lobbying Company
LaResse Harvey is the founder of Civic Trust Lobbying Company, a grassroots-lobbying firm. She is the former Director of Strategic Relations at A Better Way Foundation, where she was successful in training community leaders on drug policy, criminal justice, prison, and pardon reform statewide and nationally. Born and raised in New Britain, CT. LaResse has organized neighborhood blocks for public safety, community leaders, legislators and youth in CT for over 10 years. She has lead efforts in areas of employment and hiring, “3 Strikes”, decriminalized small amounts of marijuana, Good Samaritan 911 protections, Earned Early Release Credits for non-violent prisoners, and Racial Ethnic Impact Statement (REIS) that provides a racial analysis on proposed legislation.

Currently, LaResse is bringing awareness to civilian PTSD and living with childhood trauma as an adult, in her book, Button’s Journey: My first two years living with PTSD. She has been recognized and awarded from multiple local and national organizations for her efforts in advocacy and passing life-changing legislation.

Marty Hatfield
Senior Criminal Justice Specialist, Justice and Community Services Section, WV Division of Administrative Services
Marty Hatfield is a Senior Criminal Justice Specialist is with the Justice and Community Services Section of the Division of Administrative Services, which serves as the State Administrative Agency for West Virginia. She is responsible for the management and oversight of several federal and state grants provided by the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of Health and Human Resources, and the State of West Virginia, including the West Virginia Community Corrections Grant Program. The Community Corrections Program provides funding to statewide day reporting centers, which offer a variety of services to justice-involved individuals, including substance abuse and addiction counseling, anger management, life skills classes, and peer recovery support services.
Edward Hauck  
Planning and Evaluation Analyst, Ramsey County (MN) Community Corrections  
Edward Hauck is a Planning and Evaluation Analyst for Ramsey County Community Corrections located in St. Paul, MN. With 15 years of experience in the local government, criminal justice, and non-profit sectors, he provides expertise to the department in the areas of formative and summative evaluation, quantitative and qualitative analysis, performance and outcome measurement, data reporting, and data systems. He is involved in the evaluation of a range of department and system level initiatives around reducing racial disparities, developing alternatives to confinement, and implementing evidence-based practices with fidelity.

Edward earned a master’s degree in political science from Fordham University and a bachelor’s degree from the University of Puget Sound.

Koichi Hayashi  
Officer of the Rehabilitation Bureau, Ministry of Justice Japan  
Koichi Hayashi is the Officer of the Rehabilitation Bureau of the Japanese Ministry of Justice, which is responsible for administration matters concerning the offender rehabilitation system in the community. He now works for the General Affairs Division, and his main task is coordination of opinions in the Rehabilitation Bureau.

Previously, Koichi has served as a probation officer in Fukushima Probation Office and Fukushima National Center for Offenders Rehabilitation. He also served as an Associate Researcher of the Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, which conducts comprehensive surveys and research on criminal justice policy.

Hayashi has a degree in social welfare from Osaka City University.

John Hollywood  
Senior Operations Researcher, RAND Corp.  
John Hollywood is a senior operations researcher at the RAND Corporation, a professor of policy analysis at Pardee RAND Graduate School, and RAND’s policing market manager. He recently served as the director of the NLECTC Information  
and Geospatial Technologies Center, which provided strategic planning, assessment, and liaison support on information technology and analytics for the National Institute of Justice. Other recent projects include leading development of a web resource on promising policing strategies and how to implement them; a technology evaluation at a major active shooting exercise in Grand Central Terminal; leading numerous panels to determine science and technology-related needs for the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security; co-leading multi-year evaluations of predictive policing experiments and real-time crime operations centers; and characterizing recent US terror plots and how they have been foiled; and development of methods for fusing disparate reports about potential terrorist threats. He is an internationally recognized expert on the use of machine learning in policing and criminal justice technology more broadly, and is commonly interviewed on these topics. He has written opinion pieces on best practices in counterterrorism and law enforcement technology for The Hill, United Press International, CNN, The Charlotte Observer, Craneis Chicago Business, and Government Technology.

Kalyn Hill  
Senior Policy Analyst, Homeland Security & Public Safety Division, National Governors Association  
Kalyn Hill serves as a senior policy analyst for the National Governors Association’s Center for Best Practices Homeland Security & Public Safety Division. Kalyn provides support to governors offices and state officials on laws, policies and practices related to criminal justice, juvenile justice, traffic safety and other public safety issues.

Prior to joining NGA in 2016, Kalyn worked as assistant counsel to the Speaker of the House for the Illinois General Assembly where she advised House members on legislation related to criminal law, corrections and juvenile justice. Kalyn also worked at The Justice Project, a nonprofit organization that was engaged in national and state-based policy to reform criminal justice systems.

Kalyn received her Juris Doctor from DePaul University and B.A. from Spelman College.

Gail Humiston  
Associate Lecturer, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Central Florida  
Dr. Gail Humiston is an Associate Lecturer in the Department of Criminal Justice at the University of Central Florida. She has worked as a legal assistance for a law form, interned with a public defender, and served as a victim advocate in a state’s attorney’s office. Her research interests include criminal justice organizations and interorganizational relationships, offender reentry, gender, comparative justice, and criminal justice education.
Alissa M. Huntoon
Senior Policy Advisor, Bureau of Justice Assistance

As a Senior Policy Advisor at the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Department of Justice (DOJ), Alissa Huntoon develops and implements national criminal justice policy initiatives and supports general front office operations for the BJA Policy Office. Some examples of her current portfolio issues include managing anti-human trafficking task force programming and supporting community-based crime reduction initiatives, justice information sharing and violence reduction programs, the Strategies for Policing Innovation, supporting police-research partnerships, and improving crime analysis capabilities within law enforcement.

Prior to joining BJA, Alissa worked for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) where she oversaw grant programs that advance policy and practice within the law enforcement profession. Before joining the IACP, Alissa worked for Circle Solutions, Inc., providing research and evaluation services for the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) supported Cops in Schools program. In graduate school, she interned within the National Institute of Justice and prior to entering graduate school, she spent two years as an AmeriCorps*VISTA Habitat for Humanity (West Philadelphia.)

Alissa completed the Graduate School USA Executive Potential Program (2015) and has been a regular participant in several mentoring programs. She is a graduate (2018) and active alumnus with the Excellence in Government Fellows program. Alissa earned her B.A. in Sociology from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities and her Master of Public Policy from American University.

Juliene James
Director of Criminal Justice, Arnold Ventures

Julie James is the Director of Criminal Justice at Arnold Ventures. She develops investment strategies that advance criminal justice policy reforms of fines and fees, community supervision, prisons, and reintegration. Before joining Arnold Ventures, she served as senior policy adviser for the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. In that role, Julie oversaw state and local efforts to safely reduce the use of solitary confinement; reform sentencing, corrections, community supervision, and pretrial policies and practices; and improve the implementation of risk assessment, among other projects.

Previously, Julie worked as a senior policy associate for the Vera Institute of Justice, providing assistance to state and local policymakers on criminal justice policy and implementation. Julie also practiced law at Wiggins, Childs, Pantazis, Fisher & Goldfarb, representing clients who experienced discrimination in employment and housing based on race, sex, and disability. In addition, she served as a judicial clerk for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

Julie earned a B.A. from Harvard College and a J.D. from New York University School of Law, where she served as editor-in-chief of the NYU Law Review.

Sherri Johnson
Criminal Justice Research Analyst, VA Department of Criminal Justice Services

Sherri Johnson is a criminal justice research analyst at the VA Department of Criminal Justice Services. She develops and conducts needs assessments, evaluations, and surveys in support of public safety policies and programs. She also assists in establishing performance measures for criminal justice initiatives.

Nola Joyce
(Ret) Deputy Commissioner and Chief Administrative Officer, Philadelphia (PA) Police Department

Nola Joyce is the former Deputy Commissioner and Chief Administrative Officer for the Philadelphia Police Department. She has 25 years of public sector experience. She has previously been the Chief Administrative Officer for the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C. and the Deputy Director of Research and Development for the Chicago Police Department, in addition to eight years with the Philadelphia Police Department.

She serves in a number of positions focused on improving the quality of policing. She was appointed to the National Academy of Sciences panel on Modernizing the Nationis Criminal Statistics and has been invited to testify in front of President Obama’s Task Force on 21st Century Policing. She is a reviewer for grant submissions to the National Institute of Justice and a member of the Bureau of Justice Assistance's Police Forecasting Work Group. She has worked with the Office for the Security and Co-operation in Europe on gender issues in the security sector and providing support for the implementation of the UN Security Council Resolution (UNSCR 1325).

In Philadelphia, she helped manage and direct the change in policy, process, and procedures for Commissioner Charles H. Ramsey. She directed the department’s support services, including training, personnel, technology, administration, policy, research and planning, analysis and mapping, grants,
and strategic planning. She also guided the establishment of the Real Time Crime Center and the Delaware Valley Intelligence Center.

With the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C. from 1998 to 2007, she guided the expansion of the community policing model, the alignment of the budget with strategic initiatives, and the implementation of significant changes in the department’s organizational structure. She restructured the department’s budget into a performance-based budget.

In her six years as the Deputy Director of the Research and Development Division for the Chicago Police Department, Ms. Joyce helped develop and implement the Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS). CAPS was one of the most studied community policing initiatives in the country and was a nationally recognized community policing model.

Becca Judy
Assistant Vice President of Residential Services and PREA Coordinator, Pioneer Human Services

Becca Judy is the Assistant Vice President of Residential Services and PREA Coordinator at Pioneer Human Services where she oversees all prison reentry, inpatient treatment, crisis and diversion, and youth and young adult programs and services. With nearly 15 years of nonprofit operations experience, she has been at Pioneer for more than a decade having served in a number of leadership positions within the organization.

Becca has a master’s degree in Nonprofit Leadership from Seattle University.

Ibrahim Keita
Senior Research Analyst, VA Department of Corrections

Ibrahim Keita, MPA, is a senior research analyst at the VA Department of Corrections. He is a proud public servant of the Commonwealth of Virginia with experience pertaining to policy research, the legislative process, and data analysis with various competencies including survey research and design, data management using statistical software; as well as presenting findings through formal reports and oral presentations to professional audiences.

Ibrahim’s professional passions span researching issues of public policy, governance, economics, and International Relations. He received his undergraduate and graduate degrees from the Virginia Commonwealth University.

Audrey Kern
Global Medical Director, SUD/OUD, Pear Therapeutics

Dr. Audrey Kern M.D. FASAM, is an Emergency Medicine and Addiction Medicine physician, with extensive experience in clinical care and research. She is a graduate of the University of Connecticut and New York Medical College.

Following completion of her residency in Emergency Medicine at Albany Medical Center in Albany New York, Audrey served on active duty, Major USAF, at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland as well as Walter Reed Army Medical Center. After moving to northern New England in 1999, she worked as Medical Director for the Department of Corrections for the state of Vermont before becoming medical director of the Addiction Research Center and a member of the Psychopharmacology Research Group in the Department of Psychiatry at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth.

Audrey’s roles in the field of addictions treatment include Instructor at the Addiction Treatment Program at Dartmouth and collaborating physician to the Vermont Medication Assisted Treatment Learning Collaborative. She was recent acting Medical Director at Baymark/ Healthcare Resource Centers methadone treatment programs throughout New Hampshire She is Global Clinical Lead for Pear Therapeutics, a prescription digital therapeutic company. She is the president of the Northern New England Society of Addiction Medicine. Dr. Kern has worked as the outpatient physician at Sobriety Centers of New Hampshire since January 2018.

Christian Kervick
Executive Director, DE Criminal Justice Council

Christian Kervick is the Executive Director of the Delaware Criminal Justice Council, the State Administering Agency (SAA) for all OJP funding. In this position his duties include the development, implementation and administration of all criminal justice grant funds and programs in the state of Delaware, totaling approximately $30 million in various federal block grant areas.

Under the past two administrations, Chris served as the Deputy Director of the Delaware Criminal Justice Council and implemented tens of millions of dollars of criminal justice programming in the fields of juvenile justice, law enforcement, corrections, victim’s services and re-entry. In 2009, he implemented the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act grant program statewide as well as oversaw the daily operations of the agency.
Chris currently serves as President of the National Criminal Justice Association. He holds a B.S. in Political Science from St. Francis College, B.A. in Criminal Justice from the University of Delaware, and a master’s degree in criminology from St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia, PA. Chris is also an adjunct professor at Wilmington University in the Criminal Justice and Social Science Department.

Mika Kitagawa
Professor, United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (UNAFEI)

Mika Kitagawa has been a professor with the United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention and Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (UNAFEI). Her expertise is in matters of community corrections in Japan including probation/parole supervision, cooperation with supporters in the community, serving victims, and more. Her work at UNAFEI focuses on trainings for criminal justice personnel from around the world and studying in the field of crime prevention and offender treatment. She also contributes to the promotion and development of criminal justice system as well as mutual cooperation among UN member states, especially developing countries in the Asia and Pacific Region.

Previously, she worked as a probation officer at several Probation Offices and Regional Parole Board, and as an officer of the Amnesty Division of the Rehabilitation Bureau in the Ministry of Justice, Japan.

Mika has a bachelor’s degree in Education from Sophia University in Japan and a master’s degree in Clinical Psychology from the Open University in Japan.

Peter Koutoujian
Sheriff, Middlesex County (MA)

As a veteran public safety and public health official, Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian has overseen the one of the nation’s oldest law enforcement agencies - the Middlesex Sheriffs Office. During his nearly eight years in office, Peter has initiated several landmark programs, including: a medication assisted treatment program recognized as a Center of Excellence by the National Institute of Corrections (NIC); the Housing Unit for Military Veterans (HUMV); and a unique unit for young adult offenders. Under Peter’s leadership, Middlesex County was also chosen as one of three Data Driven Justice (DDJ) Project pilot sites by the Laura and John Arnold Foundation.

In February of 2019, Peter was elected by his peers to serve as Vice President of Major County Sheriffs of America, representing sheriffs from the most populous counties in the country. He also sits on the Advisory Board for the Council on State Governments Justice Center and serves as President of the Massachusetts Sheriffs’ Association and is a founding member of Law Enforcement Sheriffs Leaders to Reduce Crime & Incarceration.

As one of the nation’s highest elected Armenian-American officials, Peter was awarded the Ellis Island Medal of Honor from the National Ethnic Coalition of Organizations (NECO). He is a recipient of the Medal of Gratitude from the Republic of Artsakh and the Republic of Armenia’s Mkhitar Gosh Medal. Peter is a graduate of Bridgewater State University, the New England School of Law and Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government.

Kevin Kuehmeier
Senior Associate, Justice System Partners

Kevin Kuehmeier is a Senior Associate at Justice System Partners where he provides technical assistance for jurisdictions involved with the Safety and Justice Challenge for the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and assistance with the Public Safety Assessment developed by the Arnold Foundation. Kevin has 25 years of experience working for the U.S. Courts with Federal Probation and Pretrial Services. He has 12 years of experience working as a Probation and Pretrial Services Administrator with the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts in Washington D.C. and Charleston, SC.

Kevin is skilled in providing national organizational assessment, technical assistance, and recommendations regarding policy and procedure improvements. He has been at the forefront of policy development and national training and implementation regarding evidence-based practices, risk assessment for pretrial and probation, supervision of those on pretrial and post-conviction, treatment services, and core correctional practices. Kevin was also instrumental in developing national training curriculum for probation and pretrial services officers in all these areas of expertise.

Kevin was a faculty member of the Federal Judicial Center for three years and graduate of their leadership development program. He served as a U.S. Pretrial Services Officer in Philadelphia, PA, and U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services Officer in Buffalo, NY. He received Bachelor of Arts and Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice from the State University of New York College at Buffalo.
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Christina Lanier
Professor, Department of Sociology and Criminology, University of North Carolina Wilmington

Christina Lanier is a professor of sociology and criminology at the University of North Carolina Wilmington. She has extensive experience in the area of grant writing and program evaluation. She conducts program evaluations for specialty courts in North Carolina and is a co-evaluator for a local reentry program. Other recent projects include a statewide evaluation of the Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP) in Michigan, an evaluation of the North Carolina Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities (TASC), and an evaluation of the mental health service delivery in Wayne County, MI jails. Her work has been published in Substance Use and Misuse, International Journal of Offender Therapy, Journal of Drug Issues, The Prison Journal, and The Journal of American College Health. Christina’s focus in on linking the work of researchers with practitioners to make policy and social change. She received her Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Delaware in 2006.

A. Steven Lanza
Project Director, Phoenix Association

A. Stephen Lanza serves as Project Director of the Phoenix Association. He brings 25 years’ experience in community justice, human development, and clinical practice. Along with his background in research, program development, policy, and nonprofit management, Steve holds faculty positions at the University of Connecticut in Human Development & Family Studies and in Norwalk Community College’s Criminal Justice Program. He is a visiting lecturer in the Human Rights Program at Trinity College. He formerly taught in the Graduate Program for Marital & Family Therapy Program at Fairfield University. Among his publications, a recent co-authored paper received the American Journal of Public Health Paper of the Year Award.

Andrew T. LeFevre
Executive Director, AZ Criminal Justice Commission

Andrew T. LeFevre was appointed as the Executive Director for the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) in July of 2016. Previously, he was the Public Information Officer and Legislative Liaison for ACJC, where he acted as the primary spokesperson with members of the media regarding ACJC’s programs and criminal justice information. He also represented ACJC and its legislative priorities with Arizona’s elected officials.

Andy previously served as the Director of Public Relations for the Arizona Department of Education and State’s elected Superintendent of Public Instruction. Before relocating to Arizona, he served as Executive Director of the REACH Alliance and REACH Foundation in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He started his career in Washington, DC where he worked for a number of criminal justice and education organizations, ultimately serving as the Executive Director for the Association of Private Correctional and Treatment Organizations, a national 501(c)(4) trade organization representing private corrections companies and those companies and organizations that provide services to the prison industry.

Andy serves on several organizations including the National Criminal Justice Association’s Advisory Council, the Arizona Peace Officers Memorial Board, and is Co-Chair of the Arizona Department of Education’s Excellence in Civic Engagement Program. He also serves as a member of Arizonais Homeland Security Cabinet. Andy holds a master’s in business administration from Grand Canyon University and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Temple University.

Kristy Love
Deputy Executive Director, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council of the District of Columbia

Kristy Love currently serves as the Deputy Executive Director of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council of the District of Columbia (CJCC). In that role, she oversees the agency’s daily operations, which include research and analysis, facilitating collaborative efforts among the District’s criminal and juvenile justice leaders, and convening training and technical assistance sessions for justice system agencies. During her tenure at the CJCC, Kristy has worked to shepherd several projects intended to improve the overall functioning of the District’s justice system, with emphasis on violent crime, juvenile justice, adult reentry, and substance abuse and mental health treatment. In addition, she monitors the agency’s performance with respect to achieving its strategic goals and related measures, and she oversees the performance of agency staff.

Prior to joining the CJCC, Kristy was an Assistant Director in the Homeland Security and Justice division of the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO). While at GAO, she oversaw evaluations of federal efforts to address a range of criminal justice issues, including human trafficking, victims’ rights, online child exploitation, violent crime, sexual assault, corporate crime, crimes in Indian country, as well as terrorism-related information sharing.
Kristy received a Master’s of Public Administration from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics and Political Science from the University of Rochester.

Brian Lovins  
Principal, Justice System Partners
Dr. Brian Lovins is a Principal for Justice System Partners (JSP). He earned his PhD in Criminology from the University of Cincinnati, School of Criminal Justice. He is currently the Co-Editor for the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) Perspectives Journal.

Prior to joining JSP, he was Assistant Director of Harris County Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD) and the Associate Director for the University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute. He has developed a state-wide juvenile risk assessment (Ohio Youth Assessment System: OYAS) and adult risk assessment (Ohio Risk Assessment System: ORAS), as well as validation of a series of pretrial risk assessments.

Brian has been invited to present to over 200 agencies and routinely trains agencies in the principles of effective intervention, risk assessment, and the delivery of cognitive-behavioral interventions. He has received the Dr. Simon Dinitz Award for his work and dedication in helping correctional agencies adopt evidence-based programs and the David Dillingham Award, as well as a being recognized as a Distinguished Alumnus from the University of Cincinnati. His publications include articles on risk assessment, sexual offenders, effective interventions, and cognitive-behavioral interventions.

Lisa Talbot Lundrigan  
Vice President of Operations, AdCare Criminal Justice Services
Lisa Talbot Lundrigan, MA is Vice President of Operations for AdCare Criminal Justice Services, Inc. As the chief operating officer, Lisa has overseen the clinical and administrative operations of the company’s institution and community-based programs for over fifteen years. She has experience in all aspects of program management and staff training and development, as well as expertise in contract management and compliance. She has managed the start-up of many programs, including the implementation of one the first county based female RSAT units in Massachusetts. Lisa continues to train and supervise corrections and treatment professionals in the implementation of evidence-based practices, trauma-informed services, models of correctional leadership, gender responsive programming and recovery-oriented correctional care.

Lisa has served on the faculty of the Women in Criminal Justice program, the New England School of Addiction Studies, and the Cape Cod Symposium on Addictive Disorders. She sits on the Board of the Massachusetts Association of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselors and the Massachusetts Women’s Justice Committee.

An accomplished marathon runner, she is also co-founder of Partners in Recovery, a non-profit athletic fellowship dedicated to the pursuit of an athletic lifestyle as an alternative to addiction.

Kristen Mahoney  
Deputy Director for Policy, Bureau of Justice Assistance
Kristen Mahoney was sworn in as the new BJA Deputy Director for Policy on July 9, 2012. She most recently served as the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention for the State of Maryland and as President of the National Criminal Justice Association. She is longtime champion of state, local, and tribal efforts to improve criminal justice in communities across the country. She brings tremendous knowledge, experience, and enthusiasm to her position. Kristen has also worked with staff in BJA’s Programs, Planning, and Policy Offices for a number of years, and she understands the importance of BJA’s work to the communities we serve. She has also served as Chief of the Technical Services Division of the Baltimore Police Department, as a Senior Policy Advisor in the COPS Office, and as the State Administrative Agent for Byrne Justice Assistance Grant funds for many years.

Leanne McCallum  
Task Force Coordinator, Greater New Orleans (LA) Human Trafficking Task Force
Leanne McCallum is the Task Force Coordinator for the Greater New Orleans Human Trafficking Task Force. As Task Force Coordinator, she facilitates multidisciplinary collaboration between law enforcement, social services, and other sectors to enhance partnerships to combat human trafficking. Her work in the Greater New Orleans region centers on facilitating evidence-based, trauma-informed anti-trafficking response.

Leanne earned her Master of Arts degree in International Studies from the University of Denver’s Josef Korbel School of International Studies, graduating with concentrations in Human Rights and Human Trafficking. She received her bachelor’s degree from Linfield College with a BA in International Relations and a minor in Political Science.
Ellen McCann
Statistical Analysis Center (SAC), Criminal Justice Coordinating Council of the District of Columbia

Ellen McCann joined the Statistical Analysis Center (SAC), a division of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council of the District of Columbia, in August 2015 and has been engaged in preparing various research projects and publications in her tenure. Topics include Risk Assessment Instruments, Restorative Justice, Justice-Involved Populations, Homicide Patterns, Custody Populations in the District of Columbia, Juvenile Recidivism, and the Youth Rehabilitation Act. She consults with fellow SAC members on matters of methodology across most subjects addressed by the team.

Prior to joining the SAC, Ellen worked as an Officer and State Data Manager for the Pew Charitable Trusts in the Public Safety Performance Project, working to study and implement juvenile and criminal justice reinvestment in various states across the country. She also spent five years working as a county liaison for the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative for the Juvenile Justice Commission in New Jersey, in which she helped counties use data and trends to inform their everyday decisions, from starting and evaluating new programs to monitoring the youth detention populations.

Ellen holds a Ph.D. from the College of Criminal Justice at Rutgers University Newark, and a Master of Science in Criminology from UNC Charlotte.

Valerie Meade
Policy Specialist, Crime and Justice Institute, Community Resources for Justice

Valerie Meade is a Policy Specialist at Community Resources for Justice (CRJ) and has worked in criminal justice for over 20 years, with expertise in the areas of cognitive behavioral interventions, case management, model fidelity, and continuous quality improvement. She has extensive experience working with adult and juvenile populations on community supervision, in correctional facilities, and in substance abuse treatment.

Valerie was named Community Corrections Employee of the Year for the State of Kansas in 2012 for implementing sustainable evidence-based practices and Supervisor of the Year in 2017 for supporting staff through culture change to foster evidence-based practices. Valerie joined CRJ’s Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) in April 2018 because she was interested in affecting change on a larger level. In her current role, Valerie assists states throughout the country with implementation and sustainability of Justice Reinvestment policies. Valerie is committed to improving the quality of criminal justice programs and interventions through collaboration and implementation of sustainable research-based strategies that lead to improved public safety.

Valerie graduated from Lindenwood University with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Criminal Justice.

Matthew Menendez
Counsel, Brennan Center for Justice

Matthew Menendez serves as counsel for the Brennan Center for Justice, where his work focuses on judicial administration and reforming the criminal justice process. Matt is an expert on improving access to justice, particularly the impacts of fees and fines in the criminal justice system. He has also worked extensively on preserving judicial impartiality and independence through litigation and policy analysis. His work has been featured widely in media outlets, including The New York Times, NPR, Bloomberg, and The Intercept. Matt is also an Adjunct Professor at NYU School of Law, where he teaches the Brennan Center Public Policy Advocacy Clinic.

Prior to joining the Brennan Center, Matt was a litigator at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP in New York City. He attended New York University School of Law as a Dean’s Scholar and graduated in 2007, having served as notes editor of the NYU Environmental Law Journal. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and Political Science from Swarthmore College in 1999. After graduating from Swarthmore, he worked in Washington, DC as an aide to Senator John D. Rockefeller IV, where he concentrated on issues including the judiciary, energy, and the environment.

Donna Michaelis
Manager, Center for School and Campus Safety and Public Safety Training VA Department of Criminal Justice Services

Donna Michaelis is the manager of the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety and Public Safety Training at the Department of Criminal Justice Services. She has worked in the area of school safety since 1985 when she began her career with the Chesterfield County Police Department as the county’s first Child Safety Coordinator. Donna assumed the responsibility of the newly legislated Center at DCJS when it was established in 2000 as a result of the Columbine tragedy. She is currently a manager within the Law Enforcement Division of DCJS overseeing Public Safety Training and the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety. In her role, she provides training, resources, and technical assistance to
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Donna is a graduate of the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA.

Kate Mitchell
Committee Director, DC Council's Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety
Kate Mitchell currently serves as the Committee Director for the DC Council’s Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety. In that role, she oversees the performance of more than thirty-five District government agencies, boards, and commissions, approves the public safety and justice cluster’s $1.4 billion annual budget, and advances the Committee’s legislative and oversight agendas. She has drafted and passed several transformative criminal and juvenile justice laws in the District, which notably banned the use of life without parole sentences for juveniles, created a restorative justice prosecution diversion program at the Office of the Attorney General, and expanded criminal record sealing for young adults. Prior to her current position, she served as a Legislative Counsel to a member of the D.C. Council.

Kate received her J.D. from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, and her B.A. from Smith College.

Kelly Lyn Mitchell
Executive Director, Robina Institute of Criminal Law and Criminal Justice, University of Minnesota Law School
Kelly Lyn Mitchell is the Executive Director of the Robina Institute of Criminal Law and Criminal Justice at the University of Minnesota Law School. She was the Executive Director of the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission from 2011-2014 and served as the President of the National Association of Sentencing Commissions from 2014-2017.

Prior to joining the Robina Institute, Kelly worked at the Minnesota Judicial Branch from 2001-2011 as a staff attorney and manager, where she served as the Branch’s liaison to other criminal justice agencies and was responsible for several statewide programs and services such as drug courts, the court interpreter program, and examiner services for sex offender civil commitment. Kelly also provided legal support to trial court judges and court administrators on issues ranging from criminal and juvenile delinquency law to court records access and fines and fees in the criminal justice system. She also provided legal support for several Minnesota Supreme Court rules and policy committees, and in this role led efforts to fully revise the Minnesota Rules of Criminal Procedure and the Minnesota Juvenile Delinquency Rules of Procedure.

Over the course of her career, Kelly has held numerous appointments on committees and task forces on issues such as prison population control, probation supervision, sex offender management, and collateral consequences. She earned her J.D. from the University of North Dakota Law School a master’s degree in Public Policy from the University of Minnesota Humphrey School of Public Affairs.

Jonathan Monsalve
Project Director, Brooklyn Justice Initiatives, Center for Court Innovation
Jonathan Monsalve is the project director for Brooklyn Justice Initiatives. In his current role, he oversees BJIs day-to-day operations and staff. Prior to joining BJI, Jonathan worked at the Council of State Governments Justice Center’s Reentry Program. At the Reentry Program, he provided support to jurisdictions that were planning and implementing justice reforms involving collaborations between corrections and workforce systems. He also worked to promote access to employment for people with criminal records. He previously served as director of workforce development and fatherhood programs at the Center for Court Innovationis Midtown Community Court. Jonathan received his BA and MS degrees in criminal justice from New Jersey City University.

Karhlton Moore
Executive Director, OH Office of Criminal Justice Services
As Executive Director of the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OJCJS), Karhlton Moore is responsible for the administration and evaluation of state and federal grants for law enforcement, victim assistance, juvenile justice, crime prevention courts, anti-trafficking efforts, re-entry, corrections programs and traffic safety. He also works in continuing partnership with law enforcement task forces, and provides the Governor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety with current and projected criminal justice strategies. Moore was recently given the responsibility of overseeing the Motorcycle Ohio and Driver Training programs.

Karhlton previously served as the chief legal counsel and legislative liaison for OJCJS. Before that, he served as the assistant deputy legal counsel in the Governor’s Office for two years. He also served as an Assistant Attorney General in the Ohio Attorney General’s office, in the Court of Claims Defense section and the Capital Crimes section.
Moore serves on the National Criminal Justice Association advisory council, board of directors, and executive committee and the Governor’s Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Wright State University and his law degree from American University's Washington College of Law.

**Brian Moran**  
Secretary, Public Safety and Homeland Security, Virginia  

Brian J. Moran was appointed by Governor McAuliffe in January 2014 and reappointed by Governor Northam in January 2018 as Virginia’s Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security. The Office of the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security comprises 11 state agencies and provides oversight to the Homeland Security and Resilience Staff Group. Brian served as Virginia’s Chief Resilience Officer under Governor McAuliffe, and currently serves as the Governor’s Homeland Security Advisor, and the Governor’s Criminal Justice Advisor. In 2015, he was awarded the President’s Award by the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police.

Prior to his appointment, Brian served as a long time County prosecutor in Arlington. In 1996, he was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates representing the 46th legislative district, a seat he held for 13 years. He championed and sponsored legislation in the areas of child abuse, domestic violence, drunk driving, drug interdiction and elder abuse. He forged bipartisan coalitions and support to pass numerous pieces of legislation. Most notably, he created the felony drunk driving law and Alicia’s Law, which provides law enforcement the necessary tools to stop internet sexual predators from preying on our children.

**Jordan Nichols**  
Senior Research Associate, Booz Allen Hamilton  

With seven years of experience in criminal justice research and data analysis, Jordan Nichols supports federal performance measurement and management efforts as a Senior Research Associate with Booz Allen Hamilton. Prior to her work with Booz Allen, Jordan served as a Research Assistant for the Center for Evidence-Based Crime Policy, supporting a variety of research projects focused on police, technology, and translational criminology.

Jordan is currently a Ph.D. student in George Mason University's Department of Criminology, Law and Society. Her research interests include law enforcement, police technology, organizational change, and implementation science.

**Ralph Northam**  
Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia  

Governor Ralph Northam is the 73rd governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia. He was elected governor on November 7, 2017 and inaugurated on January 13, 2018. In 2008, Governor Northam began his first term as a Virginia state senator, where he won numerous legislative battles aimed at keeping Virginians safe. Some of his victories include prohibiting smoking in restaurants, protecting young athletes who have sustained concussions, improving the health of the Chesapeake Bay, and shielding first responders from communicable diseases. In 2013, Governor Northam was elected Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia where he prioritized boosting economic development, improving early childhood education, reforming mental health, and protecting women’s health care access.

Governor Northam graduated from Virginia Military Institute and Eastern Virginia Medical School. Following his residency in pediatric medicine in San Antonio, Governor Northam served as a doctor in the US Army and then practiced practice pediatric neurology at Children’s Hospital of the King’s Daughters in Norfolk, Virginia. He also served as Assistant Professor of Neurology at Eastern Virginia Medical School, where he taught medicine and ethics, and has eighteen years of volunteer service as Medical Director for the Edmarc Hospice for Children in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Governor Northam and his wife Pam, a long-time Elementary School teacher and conservation activist, have two children. Their son Wes is a doctor, and their daughter Aubrey is a graduate of the University of Virginia.

**Stan Orchowsky**  
Founder, Cambiare Consulting  

Stan Orchowsky has over 30 years of experience conducting research and program evaluation in criminal and juvenile justice. From 1995-2017, Stan served as Research Director for the Justice Research and Statistics Association. Prior to that he worked as Evaluation Chief for the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, and as a Senior Research Associate for the Virginia Department of Corrections. He currently owns and operates his own company, Cambiare Consulting, and is working on an assessment of Racial and Ethnic Disparity in North Carolina’s juvenile justice system. Stan received his Ph.D. in psychology from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA.
Daisy Pagán
Executive Director, National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators

Daisy Pagán is the Executive Director of the National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators. She has over 14 years of victim advocacy, program and grants management experience, as well as 5 years of public policy experience in research, analysis and policy development. Previously, she held a management position with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency as the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Program Manager where she oversaw the distribution of approximately $100 million in state (Rights and Services Act and Victims’ of Juvenile Offenders) and federal (Victims of Crime Act) funding throughout the state. Daisy has a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice, Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and Bachelor of Science in Public Policy from the Pennsylvania State University, College of Public Affairs.

Edward Palmer
Pastor, The Sign of the Dove Church International

Pastor Edward L. Palmer, Sr. is a co-pastor with his wife, Elizabeth, for The Sign of the Dove Church International located in Radcliff, Kentucky. He is a Certified Diversity Trainer and works to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities within the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. He most recently became a certified Racial and Ethnic Disparities Capstone Project Fellow through the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform at Georgetown University. He chairs the State Inner-Agency Councils Diversity Standing Committee, vice-chair of the National Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) and is a board member for Kentucky Youth Advocates, the Hardin County Health Department and Hardin County Habitat for Humanity. Edward is currently serving his fifth term as a Radcliff City Councilman.

Edward’s recent awards include, the 2019 Thurgood Marshall Award, 2017 Kentucky Martin Luther King Jr. Leadership Award, and the Courage for Kids Award from Kentucky Youth Advocates, and the 2018 System of Care Champion Award. He operates with unyielding passion.

Kevin Pangburn
Former Director, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, KY Department of Corrections

Kevin Pangburn is the former Director of the Division of Substance Abuse Services for the Kentucky Department of Corrections. In that capacity, his Division oversaw substance abuse assessment, programming and after care services for adult felony offenders in need of substance abuse interventions in prisons, jails, halfway houses, Recovery Kentucky Centers and in partnership with the Community Mental Health Centers. Kevin is a 24-year veteran of corrections, having served in a variety of capacities during his tenure. He is a Licensed Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist.

Kathrina Peterson
Acting Deputy Director, Office for Victims of Crime

Kathrina Peterson joined the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) as a detailee from the US Department of Justice Criminal Division in September 2014. As Attorney Advisor and acting Deputy Director for OVC, she provides advice to the Director of OVC on legal issues impacting OVC programs and policies, including those pertaining to the revisions of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Formula Grant Program Guideline Final Rule, reviews and analyzes federal legislation, and provides recommendations and written analysis regarding pending legislation to the Director. In addition, she oversees OVC’s nine legal assistance projects operating throughout the country, manages the National Institute for Justice’s evaluation of the projects, and administers the National Crime Victim Law Institute’s (NCVLI) provision of training and technical assistance. Kathrina is a graduate of the University of Colorado at Boulder, the Northeastern University School of Law, and the Georgetown University Law Center.

Tia Pooler
Deputy Director, Data Analytics and Applied Research, Center for Court Innovation

Tia Pooler is the deputy director of Data Analytics and Applied Research at the Center for Court Innovation. She conducts and oversees data management, data analysis, and on-site research at the Center’s operating projects and initiatives, including Supervised Release - a pretrial alternative to bail program. She is currently leading a mixed-methods evaluation of Brooklyn’s Young Adult Court. Previously, at the Center, she served as the Research and Data Associate for the Midtown Community Court, Harlem Community Justice Center, and Bronx Community Solutions. Recent research projects include a needs-assessment survey of costumed workers in Time Square, an evaluation of the Harlem Parole Reentry Court, and an impact evaluation of the Bronx Mental Health Initiative. Before joining the Center, Tia was based in London, serving as team leader at the British Judicial Appointments Commission, and providing research for the Action for Prisoners’ Families organization. She holds a B.A. in Economics from Boston
University, an MSc in Criminal Justice Policy, and an MSc in Social Research Methods, both from the London School of Economics.

Roberto Potter
Professor, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Central Florida
Roberto Potter is a Sociologist who has worked at the intersections of the criminal justice system and multiple behavioral and medical systems over the past 40 years. His primary interest is in moving the science of the academic world into the service of street-level organizations. He is currently a Professor in the Department of Criminal Justice at the University of Central Florida.

Roberto received his Ph.D. from the University of Florida.

Gabriella Priest
Director of Innovation, Implementation, and Development, Community Resources for Justice
Gabriella Priest is the Director of Innovation, Implementation, and Development at Community Resources for Justice (CRJ). She oversees CRJ’s state and county community-based residential reentry programs, a training academy, community partnerships, government relations, and business development. Gabriella has worked at CRJ for 10 years, previously in quality assurance for CRJ’s reentry and youth programs, as well as in policy and implementation work for CRJ’s Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) division. At CJI, Gabriella led juvenile justice policy reform in Utah, Kansas, West Virginia, and Kentucky. She has also worked on adult criminal justice reform in Georgia and Oregon, on juvenile justice implementation, and in higher education, the legal field, and state and federal government.

Gabriella graduated from Suffolk University in Boston, MA with a Bachelor of Science in Sociology and Criminology and a Master of Science in Criminal Justice. She is an adjunct faculty member for Suffolk University’s Sociology Department.

Elizabeth Pyke
Director of Government Affairs, National Criminal Justice Association
Elizabeth Pyke is the Director of Government Affairs at the National Criminal Justice Association (NCJA). In this role, she carries NCJA members’ policy and funding priorities to Capitol Hill and Executive branch agencies. She also works closely with the other state, local and issue advocacy groups in Washington, DC in coalition on state and local criminal justice issues.

Prior to joining NCJA, Elizabeth worked for three governors in their federal relations offices in Washington, DC. Most recently, she served as the Senior Advisor for Federal Relations in the Iowa Office of State-Federal Relations for Governor Tom Vilsack, managing a portfolio of policy issues that included criminal justice, homeland security, natural resources, agriculture and overall appropriations strategy. Prior to that, Elizabeth served as the Director of Federal Relations for Maryland Governor Parris Glendening, coordinating the State’s federal policy and funding priorities and managed the Governor’s responsibilities as chair of the National Governors Association and as president of the Council of State Governments. Elizabeth began her service to governors as Policy Director for Economic Development in the Texas Office of State-Federal Relations during Governor Ann Richards’ administration, with emphasis on the North American Free Trade Agreement, U.S.-Mexico border issues and continued funding for the space station. Elizabeth also spent four years as a Legislative Consultant with the law firm of Verner Liipfert Bernhard McPherson and Hand, representing a variety of public and private sector clients on Capitol Hill.

Elizabeth received her B.A. in Political Science from Wellesley College, and her M.Phil. in International Relations from the University of Cambridge (England). She is a graduate of the 1994 Leadership America class, and is an active member of various volunteer organizations.

Jeremy Ratcliff
Director, Court Treatment, Talbert House
As the Director of Court Treatment at Talbert House, Jeremy Ratcliff oversees substance use disorder treatment for men and women involved with the justice system. These services include assessment, education, counseling, and case management along with other specialty services.

Jeremy came to Talbert House after 17 years with the Highland County Probation Department, providing misdemeanor jail diversion and specialized felony supervision, with 15 of those years spent as Director. Having earned his bachelor’s degree from Wilmington College in Criminal Justice and Political Studies, he has also been heavily involved with community corrections across the area throughout his career. He has served on the board for the Ohio Justice Alliance for Community Corrections and was a member of the Ohio Chief Probation Officers Association and Highland County Criminal Justice Advisory Committee.
David Rhodes
Chief Deputy, Yavapai County Sheriff’s Office

David Rhodes is a 25-year veteran of the Yavapai County Sheriff’s Office and an Arizona native. He currently serves as the Chief Deputy to Sheriff Scott Mascher. He graduated the Arizona Law Enforcement Training Academy in 1994 and the International Association of Chiefs of Police “Leadership in Police Organizations” program in 2008. David is a graduate of the FBI National Academy in 2011 and served as the Northern Arizona Regional Training Academy Commander from 2011 thru 2013.

During his career, David moved through the ranks of law enforcement achieving the rank of Captain before being assigned as the Detention Services Commander in 2013. Under direct instruction from Yavapai County Sheriff Scott Mascher to address the mental health crisis in the county jail, David worked with criminal justice partners as well as community partners to create collaborative approaches at jail diversion, including both pre-arrest and post arrest strategies. David strongly supports the decriminalization of mental illness.

Denise Robinson
President and CEO, Alvis

Denise Robinson is the president and CEO of Alvis House, a nonprofit human services agency that serves more than 7,000 individuals and families each year. Agency programs and services include reentry services, family-focused programs, and behavioral support programs and services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Alvis House operates programs in five cities throughout Ohio.

Denise is a highly recognized practitioner and advocate of community-based programs. She works with public and private officials on a local, state, national and international level to educate them about community corrections, promote the expansion of community reentry programs and advocate for programs serving individuals with developmental disabilities.

Denise serves as the Board of Governors Representative to the Executive Committee of the American Correctional Association and serves as the Representative to the Board of the International Community Corrections Association (ICCA). She also served on the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections from 2004 to 2013; is a Past President of ICCA; and a founding member of the Correctional Accreditation Association of Ohio. Robinson has received several awards, including the ER Cass Award from ACA and the Jonathan Jasper Wright Award from the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice. Robinson holds a bachelor's degree from The Ohio State University.

Priya Sarathy Jones
National Campaign Director, Fines and Fees Justice Center

Priya Sarathy Jones is the National Campaign Director at the Fines and Fees Justice Center. Reporting to the Co-Directors she is principally responsible for working with and/or leading national coalitions that address fines and fees reform and for providing assistance to institutions, organizations and individuals who seek FFJC’s expertise on fines and fees reform across the country. Priya also serves as the primary point of contact for requests for assistance that FFJC receives from community organizations, advocates, courts, justice-system stakeholders and legislators and then works collaboratively with them to address their needs.

Prior to joining the Fines and Fees Justice Center, Priya served as a Policy Advisor at the Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Her portfolio included Public Defense, with an emphasis on 6th Amendment issues, as well as wrongful conviction and capital case litigation. She formerly worked at the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, where she handled various Tribal law enforcement issues and lead the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation for the office. In addition to her work at OJP, Priya served as Senior Counsel for the House Oversight Committee and worked on Congressional and Legislative Affairs.

Prior to working for DOJ, Priya served as the Director of Investor Relations for a Private Equity Investment Firm and Director of Legal Compliance for the 2008 North Carolina State Gubernatorial campaign. She holds a J.D. and B.A. in Psychology and Criminal Justice from the University of South Carolina and is member of the North Carolina State Bar Association.

Michael Schmidt
Executive Director, OR Criminal Justice Commission

Mike Schmidt came to the CJC directly from his previous role as a prosecutor in Multnomah County. Mike also previously served as counsel for the Oregon House and Senate Judiciary Committees. He graduated from Lewis and Clark Law School in 2008, and before that taught high school social studies in New Orleans for two years after graduating from Vassar College.

Mike was appointed to be the Executive Director of the CJC at the beginning of 2015. He has subsequently been elected to be the Vice President of the National Criminal Justice Association and elected to the board of the National Association of Sentencing Commissions. As the Executive Director he is responsible for overseeing all aspects of the agency program.
Steven Seitchik
MAT Statewide Coordinator, PA Department of Corrections

Steven Seitchik’s expertise is in the areas of nonprofit organization, instructional design, medication assisted treatment (MAT), employee assistance programs, and critical incident stress debriefing. As the MAT Statewide Coordinator for the PA Department of Corrections, Steven plans, organizes and directs the implementation of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) targeting male and female re-entrants who have alcohol and/or opioid use disorder. The program involves the use Vivitrol, Sublocade, and Methadone in conjunction with AOD treatment. Steven is also an adjunct professor of psychology at Harrisburg Area Community College.

Previously, Steven served as an associate professor of forensic psychology for Alutiiq, was Director of the Treatment Division at the PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, and he was a drug and alcohol program representative and public health program administrator for the PA Department of Health.

Steven received his MA in Clinical Psychology from Pepperdine University and BS in Psychology from Florida State University.

Anne Seymour
National Victim Advocate

Anne Seymour has 34 years of experience as a national advocate for crime victims and survivors. She is a currently a Consultant to the Pew Charitable Trusts Public Safety Performance Project. She began her career in 1984 as the Director of Public Affairs for the National Office of Mothers Against Drunk Driving and, from 1985 to 1993, as co-founder and Director of Communications and Resource Development of the National Victim Center (now National Center for Victims of Crime). Anne has consulted with the U.S. Departments of Justice, Defense, State and Health & Human Services, the Peace Corps, and all 50 state governments to develop policies and protocols that improve the sensitive treatment of crime victims and survivors and promote justice reforms that improve individual and public safety.

Jennie Simpson
Senior Policy Advisor, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Jennie M. Simpson, Ph.D. is a Senior Policy Advisor at the Bureau of Justice Assistance. In this role, she works on the policy initiatives and training and technical assistance activities for the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program. Prior to this position, she was the Senior Staff Lead for Criminal Justice at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, during which she led the development of key initiatives related to reducing the number of individuals with mental and substance use disorders in jails and improving clinical and case management programs and practices for justice-involved individuals.

A specialist in law enforcement diversion, Jennie has provided training and technical assistance to law enforcement agencies, consulted to law enforcement leadership on behavioral health and homelessness, and conducted research on behavioral health and law enforcement collaborations. She has published and presented in both national and international forums on reducing justice-involvement for individuals with mental and substance use disorders through effective, cross-agency collaborations. Jennie received a Ph.D. in medical anthropology from American University.

Jennifer Skeem
Associate Dean of Research & Mack Distinguished Professor, University of California, Berkeley

Dr Jennifer L. Skeem is the Mack Distinguished Professor of Social Welfare and a Professor of Public Policy at the University of California, Berkeley. She is a clinical psychologist...
who writes and teaches about the intersection between behavioral science and the justice system. Her research is designed to inform legal decision-making about people with emotional and behavioral problems. Specific topics include: improving outcomes for justice-involved people with mental illness, understanding psychopathy, and promoting prosocial behavior among juveniles at risk for violence. Her recent work addresses the use of risk assessment to inform criminal sentencing—including how this practice may affect racial and economic disparities in imprisonment.

Jennifer has authored over 100 articles and edited two books. She is past President of the American Psychology-Law Society and has served on advisory boards for the Council of State Governments Justice Center, U.S. Administrative Office of the Courts, and U.S. Sentencing Commission to inform policy development and improve understanding of risk assessment and risk reduction.

Amy Solomon
Vice President of Criminal Justice, Arnold Ventures

Amy leads the emerging corrections portfolio, with a focus on community supervision, prison reform, reintegration, and fines and fees. Amy joined Arnold Ventures after seven years in the Obama administration, where she served as executive director of the Federal Interagency Reentry Council. Comprising more than 20 federal agencies, the Council spearheaded substantial policy reforms including the federal Ban the Box rule, fair housing guidance, the Second Chance Pell initiative, Medicaid guidance for the justice-involved population, and a critical modification related to child support.

Amy concurrently served as director of policy for the Office of Justice Programs at the U.S. Department of Justice. In that role, she worked with Justice Department leadership and the White House to shape, launch, and implement a broad range of domestic policy initiatives focused on criminal justice reform, health care reform, urban policy, and building trust between the justice system and communities of color.

Amy previously spent 10 years at the Urban Institute, where she directed projects focused on prisoner reentry and public safety. In addition, Amy worked at the National Institute of Justice where she developed community crime-reduction and reentry initiatives; managed a community service program for justice-involved individuals; developed reentry strategies for a state department of correction; and worked with juveniles in probation, halfway house, and school settings. Amy holds a master’s degree in public policy from the Harvard Kennedy School and a bachelor’s degree in English from the University of Michigan.

Director of Financial Justice, Office of the Treasurer for the City and County of San Francisco

Anne Stuhldreher is the Director of Financial Justice in the Office of the Treasurer for the City and County of San Francisco. San Francisco is the first city in the nation to launch a Financial Justice Project to assess and reform how fines, fees, and financial penalties impact the city’s most vulnerable residents.

Throughout her career, Anne has advanced innovations in local economic empowerment, civic engagement and public interest journalism. Anne has a distinguished track record of working with public officials to create public private partnerships that financially empower lower income residents. In San Francisco, she brought people together to initiate and launch initiatives like: Bank on San Francisco (that spurs banks to create starter accounts for the estimated one in five Americans who don’t have them); the Working Families Credit, and Kindergarten to College. As a Senior Policy Advisor to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and First Lady Maria Shriver, she helped start the WE Connect Campaign and Bank on California. The “Bank on” strategy that Anne conceived is being replicated in dozens of cities. She also served as a Senior Program Manager for the California Endowment, a statewide health justice philanthropic foundation.

Anne also authors op-eds and articles in outlets such as the Washington Post, Los Angeles Times, San Francisco Chronicle, and the Sacramento Bee. She has advised a wide range of elected officials, financial institutions, and community organizations. Formerly, Anne worked at the Ford Foundation, of elected officials, financial institutions, and community organizations. Formerly, Anne worked at the Ford Foundation, was the Associate Director of Opportunity Fund, a Community Development Financial Institution in Northern California. She is currently a fellow at New America CA.

Katherine Sullivan
Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, US Department of Justice

Katharine (Katie) Sullivan was appointed by Attorney General William Barr as Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General of the Office of Justice Programs in June 2019. She leads the Department of Justice’s (US DOJ) principal funding, research and statistical component, overseeing more than $5 billion in grants and other resources to support state, local and tribal criminal and juvenile justice activities and victim services.

Katie previously served on the White House Domestic Policy Council, and as Acting Director of the Justice Department’s Office on Violence Against Women. Before joining the US DOJ, Katie served as a Colorado state trial court judge in the state’s
5th judicial district. She heard 45,000 cases during her 11 years on the bench and also implemented and presided over a drug court and a driving under the influence (DUI) court. She also previously served as a Deputy District Attorney in Colorado, where she worked closely with law enforcement and participated in a community-based collaborative domestic violence task force.

Earlier in her career, Katie spent time in private practice, serving as a member of Colorado’s Victim Compensation Board where she trained law enforcement officials across the nation on risk and liability in jails and prisons. She also served on the State Judicial Ethics Board. She received her undergraduate degree from Syracuse University and graduated from George Washington School of Law.

**Denise Symdon**  
Senior Manager, Center for Effective Public Policy  
Denise Symdon has worked as a Senior Manager with the Center for Effective Public Policy (CEPP) since February 2018. She has been involved in projects involving strategic planning, dosage probation, evidence-based decision making, and advancing pretrial reform, including use of the Public Safety Assessment (PSA).

Prior to her work with CEPP, Denise worked for the Wisconsin Department of Corrections for 34 years. Her wealth of criminal justice experience included ten years in the Division of Adult Institutions, with her last position in DAI being a Division Assistant Administrator. Denise devoted the other 24 years of her DOC career to the Division of Community Corrections. She held positions including Probation and Parole Agent, Field Supervisor, Assistant Regional Chief, Regional Chief, and then served eight years as the Division Administrator for DCC. Utilization of evidence-based research and promising practices, was a focal point of Denise’s career in DOC. She was involved in the pilot of Dosage Probation in Milwaukee County and later, focused on utilizing dosage supervision strategies as a core practice for the 1500 probation and parole agents and supervisors, statewide. Denise also served on the statewide Evidence Based Decision Making policy team, sponsored through the National Institute of Corrections, and she co-chaired their Behavior Response Team.

Denise received her bachelor’s degree with a double major in Social Work and Behavioral Science and Law from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She was a licensed Social Worker in the state of WI for over 30 years.

**Sean Tepfer**  
National Program Manager, Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit, US Department of Justice  
Sean Tepfer is the National Program Manager for the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit (HTPU) within the Criminal Section of the US Department of Justice’s Civil Rights Division, where he focuses on cases involving labor trafficking, international sex trafficking and sex trafficking of adults. He is the US representative to the INTERPOL Human Trafficking Expert Group.

Sean previously served the Department of Justice as the HTPU Investigator and in the US Attorney's Offices in Western Washington and Western Virginia as their Law Enforcement Coordinator. Prior to joining the Department of Justice, Sean had a successful local law enforcement career with the Norfolk VA, Scottsdale AZ and Farmington NM police departments where he served in several capacities within the patrol, training and investigation divisions. Sean is also a US Navy veteran where he served six years onboard a Los Angeles class fast attack submarine.

Sean has a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from St. Leo University and a Master of Arts in Public Administration from the University of New Mexico.

**Beya Thayer**  
Executive Director, Yavapai Justice and Mental Health Coalition  
Beya Thayer is a systems advocate supporting enhanced collaborations among multi-disciplinary teams and enjoys the opportunity to work as the Executive Director of the Yavapai Justice and Mental Health Coalition. Beya works to develop and implement strategies that lead to the long-term and sustainable involvement of community institutions, organizations, and individuals within the intersections of justice and behavioral health - with the goal of addressing partnership and systems change. Beya’s career has given her the opportunity to work with diverse communities, professions, and agencies throughout Arizona creating partnerships and collaborations to effect policy and change on both the micro and macro levels. Beya has a Master’s in Social Work from Arizona State University and has worked extensively in the social services arena for over 25 years.

**Joe Thome**  
Director, CO Division of Criminal Justice  
Joe Thome is the Director of the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice (CDPS). Joe has worked at the local, state, and federal
level during three decades in the justice and correctional fields. From 2014 until his hiring at CDPS, he was an Associate Director of Community and Client Services for the Colorado Department of Human Services Division of Youth Corrections. Previously, Joe was the Northeast Region Director of the Division of Youth Corrections, where he supervised client and parole services and provided oversight of contract community programs for the Division in that part of Colorado.

Joe served as Manager of Boulder County’s Criminal Justice Services (CJS) program from 1999 to 2005. The CJS unit was responsible for alternative programming in Boulder County and manages the community corrections program, jail treatment services, a juvenile assessment center, domestic violence services, and more.

From 1996 to 1999, Joe was the manager of DCJ’s juvenile justice program. He came to DCJ after working for 16 years as a project manager and contract leader for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) national technical assistance and training program. Under the OJJDP Project, Joe was invited to speak, train, and conduct master planning projects in 46 states on issues related to best practices for juvenile and adult offenders, fiscally sound systems of accountability for offenders, and strategies to reduce the use of secure institutional care. That work has continued over the years as he still enjoys opportunities to assist other jurisdictions across the nation implement system improvements.

Megan Thorne Stevenson
Assistant Professor of Law, George Mason University

Megan Thorne Stevenson is an economist and legal scholar. Her research uses econometric methods to evaluate criminal law and policy in areas such as bail, pretrial detention, risk assessment, and juvenile justice. Her studies have been published in top journals in both law and economics, such as the Stanford Law Review and the Review of Economics and Statistics. Her research on bail was cited extensively in a landmark federal civil rights decision, O’Donnell v. Harris, and has received widespread media coverage. In addition to legal scholarship, Megan has written a number of op-eds for news outlets and her research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the Russell Sage Foundation, and the Laura and John Arnold Foundation.

Megan has been an Assistant Professor of Law at George Mason University’s Antonin Scalia Law School since 2017. Prior to joining the law faculty at George Mason, she was a fellow at the Quattrocine Center for the Fair Administration of Justice at the University of Pennsylvania Law School (2015-2017). She holds a BA in Interdisciplinary Studies and a PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics, both from the University of California, Berkeley. She teaches Law & Economics and Criminal Law.

Tracey Trautman
Deputy Director, Programs Office, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Tracey Trautman is the Deputy Director for the Programs Office within the Bureau of Justice Assistance. In this capacity, she provides oversight for all grants management activity within BJA, including application review, award processing, liaison with grantees, performance measurement and programmatic grant monitoring. BJA awards approximately 1,500 new grants each year, while managing a portfolio of almost 4,000 open and active grants worth approximately $2 billion dollars. She also manages the development and execution of all formula grants and payment programs within BJA, including OJP’s flagship program, the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).

Prior to her position at DOJ, Tracey worked at the Department of Homeland Security’s Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) as the Deputy Assistant Administrator, with responsibility for the oversight of all programmatic and financial activities for the DHS/FEMA preparedness grant programs. She holds a bachelor’s degree in Communications from North Dakota State University, a Master of Public Administration from George Mason University in Virginia and a master’s degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

David Trone
United States Representative, MD’s 6th Congressional District

David Trone serves Maryland’s 6th congressional district. He is the co-founder and co-owner of Total Wine & More, which as of 2018 was the largest private wine retailer in the country with $3.1 billion in annual revenue. He worked as president of the company until December 2016. David received his B.A. from Furman University in 1977 and his Master’s in Business Administration from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania in 1985.

John Valverde
CEO, YouthBuild

John Valverde, the CEO of Youthbuild, has spent many decades of work as an advocate for creating access to opportunity and removing barriers for formerly incarcerated and low-income
people. John began working with imprisoned individuals in 1992 to ensure access to HIV/AIDS counseling, high school equivalency instruction, alternatives to violence programs, and college education. In 1995, responding to the gap created by the elimination of TAP and Pell funding for people in prison, he led an initiative to develop and deliver a college-level certificate program, the Certificate in Ministry and Human Services. Today called Rising Hope, this program continues in several New York State prisons. In 1998, he co-founded Hudson Link for Higher Education, the first privately funded accredited college program in New York’s prisons. More than 450 students in prison have graduated from Hudson Link, which has grown to serve five prisons with six college partners.

In 2009, John worked with a team at the Osborne Association to create New York City’s first green jobs training program exclusively for people with criminal records. As Osborne’s Executive Vice President, John launched, managed, and led programs including children, youth, and family services; substance abuse treatment; workforce development; community benefit projects; financial literacy; health and wellness services; housing; alternatives to incarceration; mentoring and leadership development; and social enterprises. John has led teams that offer multiple evidence-based interventions, with a trauma-informed approach, to distinct populations that range from very young children to the elderly.

Though he was incarcerated for almost 16 years, John is now recognized as a proven leader and example for people affected by the criminal justice system. John’s personal and professional life embodies the work of YouthBuild and is a powerful representation of its mission. He is the proud recipient of the 2018 Brian S. Fischer Achievement Award from Hudson Link for Higher Education in Prison. He is also a graduate of the Aspen Institute’s Sector Skills Academy and a 2018 Pahara-Aspen Education Fellow. He received his Master of Professional Studies in Urban Ministry from the New York Theological Seminary and a bachelor’s degree in behavioral science from Mercy College.

Anthony Vidale
Deputy Director, AZ Criminal Justice Commission

Anthony Vidale is the Deputy Director of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (AZ CJC). Previously, Anthony also served as the Victim Services program manager for agency, overseeing two statewide crime victim programs. Prior to working for the AZ CJC, Anthony worked for the Arizona Joint Legislative Budget Committee as a senior fiscal analyst and his primary area of concentration was criminal justice agencies. Anthony has served on several boards, commissions and committees most notably the Chandler Domestic Violence Commission, the Committee for Victims in the Courts, as a board member for the National Association of Crime Victim Compensation Boards, and the Governor’s Meth Task Force. Anthony serves as a faculty associate for Arizona State University, the University of Phoenix, and Northern Arizona University teaching courses in criminal justice and public administration. Anthony retired from the Air National Guard after 22 years of service and holds master’s degrees in Criminal Justice and Business Administration.

Louise Wasilewski
CEO and President, Acivilate

Louise Wasilewski started Acivilate to create second chances for justice-involved individuals. She spent twenty-five years in business and technical roles in media and communications technology innovation helping introducing streaming TV and operating secure cloud-based services. Her experience includes KPMG Consulting, operational and technical responsibilities at Cox Communications, and sales, marketing, business development and product management at various technology vendors.

Louise is a member of the DeKalb County Reentry and Recidivism Task Force Steering Committee in metro Atlanta, the Greater Gwinnett Reentry Alliance, the Emerging Technology Committee of the Integrated Justice Information Systems Institute and the National Criminal Justice Association. She has spoken at the American Correctional Association and the American Probation and Parole Association, and was published in Policy and Practice. She is passionate about improving criminal justice outcomes because it is an issue that has affected her family.

Louise holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Aerospace Systems Engineering from Southampton University and an MBA from Emory University. She holds four patents.

Reilly Webb
Executive Director, Criminal Justice Division, Office of the Texas Governor

Reilly Webb serves as the Executive Director for the Office of the Texas Governor’s Criminal Justice Division (CJD). In this role, Reilly oversees more than 20 criminal justice programs that receive over $400 million in state and federal funding intended to improve public safety and support crime survivors in Texas by filling system gaps through innovative
solutions. During his time at the Texas Governor’s Office he has worked on issues such as domestic violence fatalities, child sex trafficking, prison safety, violent gang interdiction, border security, specialty courts, mass violence response, and many more. He currently serves on Governor Abbott’s Juvenile Justice Advisory Board, leads the state’s Sexual Assault Survivors Task Force and is a previous member of the Stanford-Harvard Project on Technology and Policing. He has earned a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice from Texas State University and a Master of Public Administration (MPA) from Florida State University.

David Wiskman
Senior Research Analyst, Fidelity and Program Quality Assurance Unit, VA Department of Corrections
David Wiskman is a senior research analyst in the Fidelity and Program Quality Assurance Unit at the Virginia Department of Corrections. As a relative newcomer to the field of corrections, David’s goal was to combine the expertise and experience from his background in quality assurance with a position involved in community service. The Virginia Department of Corrections has provided him with the opportunity to accomplish this goal by working to continuously improve the programming we provide to the offenders entrusted to our care. He considers it a privilege to have this chance to help make a real difference in people’s lives and in their communities, and in working for an agency committed to bringing innovative ideas to the field of corrections.

David holds undergraduate degrees in Secondary Education from Towson State University (cum laude) and Political Science from Virginia Commonwealth University (summa cum laude), and a Master of Public Administration (summa cum laude) from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Steve Woolworth
Vice President, Behavioral Health & Transition Services, Pioneer Human Services
Steve Woolworth is the Vice President of Behavioral Health & Transition Services at Pioneer Human Services where he leads a statewide portfolio of prison reentry, inpatient and outpatient treatment, crisis and diversion, and youth and young adult programs. He also oversees the organization’s research center and quality improvement and risk management initiatives. Steve has been at Pioneer for over 8 years and brings decades of experience working in and studying community-based programs and services. He has a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies from the University of Washington.

Mark Yates
Vice President, Safer Foundation
After nearly two decades working and teaching in the private and public sectors, Mark Yates decided to put his financial acumen and accounting management skills to work in the nonprofit sector. He joined Safer Foundation in 2007 as Associate Vice President, Accounting. His leadership in the development and implementation of strategic plans helped guide Safer Foundation during a critical period of organizational growth.

A nationally recognized expert facilitator and instructor of accounting, Mark also has extensive experience in entrepreneurship training and development. In 2016, he was named Vice President of Social Enterprise to help identify and launch business strategies designed to create opportunities to employ Safer Foundation clients. He has trained more than 450 entrepreneurs in the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Business Program. He is a facilitator/trainer for the Chicago Urban League Next Step Entrepreneurs Program and for more than a decade, has taught accounting at City Colleges of Chicago.

Prior to joining Safer, Mark was an accounting manager and controller for several law firms; a bank officer; and an accounting Instructor at Robert Morris College. He was also a financial analyst for the FBI’s White Collar Crime Squad. Mark earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) from Roosevelt University in Chicago and an MBA in Management Accounting from DePaul University.