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Stanley Andrisse, Prison to Professionals, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine

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 20's, he was sentenced to 10 years in a maximum-security prison for drug-related crimes. While in prison Stanley's 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.

Kurt W. August II, City of Philadelphia

Kurt August is the PAD Program Manager for the City of Philadelphia. His current duties include officer training, facilitating productive relationships between law enforcement and service providers, budget management, chair of steering committee and operational workgroup. Previously, he served as Reentry Services Coordinator for the District Attorney's Office and Lead Counselor for the Reentry Support Project at the Community College of Philadelphia. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Social Work degrees from the University of Pennsylvania.

Danny Beauchamp, PMHCC – Regional Mental Health Services Coordination Office

Danny Beauchamp is the Regional Forensic Coordinator for PMHCC - Regional Mental Health Services Coordination Office. He serves as the central contact for forensic reentry planning services for Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery Counties. In his current position, he creates and coordinates the linkages to community services for justice-involved persons with severe mental health diagnoses, designs personalized reentry plans, provides staff support to regional planning Task Forces, assess participant clinical needs to determine level of care recommendations, identifies common cross systems training needs for police, probation and parole, mental health and other criminal justice professionals. Additionally, he collaborates with others to identify systemic gaps and weaknesses, analyzes and reports on forensic patterns and trends locally, statewide, and nationally, tracks mental health treatment at county jails and state prisons and monitors quality assurance, data collection and data. Previously, he served as Crisis Counselor for the Valley Creek Crisis Center and Psycho-Social Services Coordinator for Holcomb Behavioral Health Systems. He obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from West Chester University and a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice- Behavioral Management Concentration from Saint Joseph's University.

Johnny Berry, Friends Rehabilitation Program

Johnny Berry is a Reentry Specialist for Friends of the Rehabilitation Program. His duties include serving as a Mentor and Transformation Navigator. Previously, he served as a Real Street Talk-Facilitator. His specialties include alcohol and other drug treatment and anger management. He is an exonerated former Juvenile Lifer.

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April Billet-Barclay, York County Department of Probation

April J. Billet-Barclay is the Deputy District Court Administrator - Director of Probation Services in York County where she oversees the adult and juvenile probation offices. Prior to this, she served as the Assistant Problem-Solving Court Administrator with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts where she assisted with implementation of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court’s Accreditation Program for adult drug and DUI courts. Prior to this, she was the Deputy Chief of the York County Adult Probation Department where she was employed for ten years. She oversaw specialized programs within the adult probation department, including sex offenders, domestic violence, intermediate punishment (restrictive probation) programs, problem solving courts, intercounty/interstate transfer cases and was the impetus behind implementation of the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) for law enforcement in York County. Ms. Billet-Barclay has extensive experience writing and maintaining local, state and federal grants. Ms. Billet-Barclay is currently the vice chair of the York County Criminal Justice Advisory Board. She is an active member of the community participating in various initiatives to reform the criminal justice system including implementation of evidence-based practices in probation, the Group Violence Intervention (GVI) initiative in the City of York, pretrial diversionary efforts, Stepping Up, the York County Reentry Coalition and work on the Community Action for Recovery and Diversion effort to create a wellness and diversion center to divert individuals with addiction and serious mental illness from the criminal justice system. Ms. Billet-Barclay is currently the President of the County Chief Adult Probation and Parole Officers Association of Pennsylvania (CCAPPOAP). She previously served as the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Association of Drug Court Professionals and both vice president and secretary of CCAPPOAP. Prior work experience includes working with individuals with serious and persistent mental illness in both the community and hospital settings.

Mike Brouwer, M.Ed., Douglas County, Lawrence, Kansas

Mike Brouwer, M.Ed., is the Criminal Justice Coordinator in Douglas County, Lawrence, KS. Mike began his career working in community mental health and for the past sixteen years has worked in jails providing mental health and reentry services. Currently, Mike’s work supports the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. Mike served on the steering committee for Johnson County, Kansas’ Sequential Intercept Project, has managed multiple BJA grants, served on the Governor’s Reentry Policy Council, Governor’s Behavioral Health Services Planning Council Subcommittee and chairs the Mental Health Services in Jails Work Group. Mike implemented the Assess-Identify-Divert Program, selected by SAMHSA as a national best practice site for screening and assessment in jail. Mike has had the privilege to present the Stepping Up Initiative with the Council for State Governments and the National Association of Counties. He provides technical assistance and consulting for multiple counties in Kansas and Nationally. Mike is an alumnus of the University of Kansas.

Susan Burke, The Carey Group

Susan is the Executive Director of The Carey Group, a national justice consulting firm. She has over 30 years of experience in the justice field, including leadership positions as a probation executive and head of a state juvenile corrections agency. She is a past president of the American Probation and Parole Association and is an at-large member of the Board of Directors for the National Association of Probation Executive.

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Mark Carey, The Carey Group

Mark Carey is the President of The Carey Group (TCG), a national consulting firm that provides training and technical assistance for justice and correctional professional and community groups. He has served as the Deputy Commissioner of Community and Juvenile Services in the Minnesota Department of Corrections from 1999 to 2003, the Director of Dakota County Community Corrections, the Director of Dodge-Fillmore-Olmsted County Community Corrections and as the warden of MCF-Shakopee, the only state women's prison in Minnesota. He has over thirty years of experience in the correctional field serving as a counselor, probation/parole officer, planner, administrator, and consultant. He taught juvenile justice at the Community College in Rochester, Minnesota, and has published over a dozen articles and two books.

Mr. Carey has served as President of the American Probation and Parole Association and has been on the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) Board of Directors since 1997. He has served as President and Chair for a number of Associations and Task Forces, and frequently is requested as a speaker and trainer. He is the recipient of a number of awards including the APPA's Sam Houston University Award and the Corrections Person of the Year by the Minnesota Corrections Association.

Phyllis Chamberlain, The Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania

Phyllis Chamberlain is the Executive Director of the Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania, a statewide membership organization whose mission is to ensure that all Pennsylvanians, especially those with low incomes, have access to safe, decent, affordable and accessible homes. Prior to the Housing Alliance, Phyllis was the Executive Director of the Homeless Planning Council of Delaware where, as the head of the Delaware Continuum of Care lead agency, she led Delaware's adoption of evidence based practices in homeless service delivery and grew the state's share of federal homeless assistance funding.

Phyllis was the first Executive Director of the Virginia Coalition to End Homelessness (VCEH) where she secured the organization's reputation as an influential player at the state and federal levels. She acted as a catalyst in the initiatives that realized the first funding for the Virginia Housing Trust Fund and made Virginia the first state to effectively end veteran homelessness and a national leader in ending family homelessness. Before VCEH, Phyllis served as the Director of Field Mobilization for the National Alliance to End Homelessness. Her work in partnership with local, state, and national housing and homelessness organizations resulted in bipartisan support for improved policy and increased funding for federal homeless and housing programs.

Phyllis has twenty years of experience in public policy advocacy, community engagement, and communications with the last thirteen years spent on local, state, and federal planning and policy to increase affordable housing opportunity and end homelessness. She is driven by her passion for the role that housing plays in providing a safe and stable foundation for vulnerable people as well as the knowledge that there are practical solutions to the problems of affordable housing and homelessness.

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Laura Bishop Chisholm, Lehigh County

Laura Bishop Chisholm has been working with the Lehigh County Juvenile Probation Office since 2015. She has successfully coordinated eight offerings of the Youth and Law Enforcement Curriculum (YLEC). Prior to working on this initiative, she worked collaboratively with various stakeholders on a variety of Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiatives (JDAI) and related activities. Additionally, Ms. Chisholm maintains professional experience in community health program development and implementation, data acquisition and analysis, community engagement, capacity building and community mental health service provision. Ms. Chisholm earned a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Public Health Degree from Drexel University. She is married to a Philadelphia Police Sergeant and is the mother of two young boys.

Stacy Condie, Justice Related Services, Human Services Administration Organization

Stacy Condie is a Unit Manager for Justice Related Services, Human Services Administration Organization. She currently supervises two State Support Specialists and a Federal Court/Veteran Court Diversion Specialist. She is responsible for hiring, training and education, managing Veteran's Court for non-VA eligible clients and conducting presentations for the agency to educate others on the role of JRS. In this role, she collaborates with county probation and state probation/parole to advocate for clients, attends court proceedings, conducts assessments, participates in Forensic Interagency Task Force and assists/collaborates with DOC Enhanced Reentry on 'hard to place' inmates as well as the PA Bureau of Community Corrections on reentry of state inmates. Previously, she served as JRS Support Specialist (Forensic Case Manager), JRS State and Support Supervisor and Case Manager at Alternative Housing for Allegheny County inmates. Stacy obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology/Pre-law from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice: Legal Studies from the California University of Pennsylvania. She is certified in High Performance Leadership and is a MHFA Trainer.

Steven A. Denhup, Jr., Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

Mr. Denhup was recently appointed as the Intelligence Supervisor for DEA in Western Pennsylvania and is based in Pittsburgh, PA. Prior to that appointment he was the Group Supervisor of the DEA's Philadelphia Field Division Intelligence Group since May 2012. In that position, Mr. Denhup managed the day-to-day activities of 10 DEA and 2 National Guard Intelligence Analysts, who were assigned to support a variety of investigations ranging from local impact cases to international investigations targeting command and control elements of Drug Trafficking Organizations. Mr. Denhup also supervised the collection and reporting of strategic drug intelligence for Pennsylvania and Delaware. Prior to this appointment in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, he served with DEA in Europe (Copenhagen, Denmark). He was also a field intelligence analyst in the Pittsburgh DEA Office, where he predominantly supported pharmaceutical diversion and internet pharmacy investigations. Mr. Denhup was assigned to DEA's Special Operations Division, as the liaison to National Security Agency (NSA). Mr. Denhup began his career with DEA assigned to DEA Headquarters Operation Breakthrough working for weeks at a time in cocaine and heroin laboratories in Colombia, Peru and Bolivia, with a team of forensic chemists. Mr. Denhup has a Master of Science degree from West Virginia University and a Bachelor of Science degree from James Madison University. He served as a Graduate Assistant/Instructor at Waynesburg University between 2001-2003.

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Kimberly Eaton, Franklin Together Reentry Coalition

Kimberly Eaton has a Ph. D. in Clinical Social Work. She is a graduate of Hood College and the University of Maryland. Licensed in both Pennsylvania and Maryland, Dr. Eaton entered the field of Social Work as a counselor in a domestic violence program. She then served for 10 years as the residential director for several girls group homes and a treatment foster care program in Maryland. In 2005, Dr. Eaton was hired by Franklin County to design and direct a day reporting center (DRC). Since 2018, Dr. Eaton has functioned as the director of reentry services and clinical quality assurance. Dr. Eaton is active in many committees through the Criminal Justice Advisory Board. She is currently serving as co-chair for the Franklin Together Re-Entry Coalition. Dr. Eaton has been the volunteer coordinator for the Waynesboro Youth Aid Panel since its inception in 2002. Currently, she works with Juvenile Probation to coordinate Youth Court programs in several area high schools. In addition, she has been an adjunct professor at Shippensburg University for both the Social Work and Criminal Justice departments.

Rachael Eisenberg, Office of Criminal Justice, City of Philadelphia Managing Director's Office

Rachael Eisenberg is a Philadelphia native committed to advancing fairness and equity in the City's criminal justice system. Ms. Eisenberg currently serves as the Director of the City of Philadelphia's Office of Criminal Justice. In this role, she oversees the City's efforts to advance racial equity in criminal justice system, foster meaningful community engagement in justice reform efforts, increase early diversion and deflection away from the criminal and juvenile justice system, and safely reduce the local jail population. Prior to this role, Ms. Eisenberg worked as a law clerk for the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania, where she developed and implemented a court-based mentoring and reentry program. Ms. Eisenberg also served as a Policy Assistant for the Defender Association of Philadelphia, working on juvenile justice reform projects in the areas of indigent defense and disproportionate minority contact. Ms. Eisenberg graduated Magna Cum Laude from Temple University Beasley School of Law in 2014 and is currently licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania. She also received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Cornell University in 2009.

Leigh Elliott, South Central Action Programs

Leigh Elliott coordinates the Franklin Together Re-Entry Coalition as part of her primary duties as South Central Community Action Programs' Re-Entry Program Coordinator. Leigh has a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg. She has worked in the criminal justice field since 2013, both as a correctional officer at the Franklin County Jail and as a case manager at the Reentry Services Center. Her passion for helping returning individuals began while working at the jail and seeing the obstacles that people face when they leave. She desires to help people find the resources they need to succeed and make a better life for themselves and their families.

Charles Francis, Council of State Governments Justice Center

Charles Francis works with state and local partners to reduce the number of people with behavioral health conditions in the justice system, focusing on policy responses at the intersection of criminal justice and housing. Before joining the CSG Justice Center, Charley was assistant director of Leased Housing at Rhode Island Housing, where he oversaw the launch of the first fully electronic, statewide Section 8 waiting list. At the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, he played a lead role in implementing the Rental Assistance Demonstration program. Charley holds a Master of Public Policy from the Heller School for Social Policy at Brandeis University and a BA from Hamilton College.

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Gretchen Frank, Council of State Governments Justice Center

Gretchen Frank is a Senior Policy Analyst at the Council of State Governments Justice Center, providing technical assistance to counties participating in the Pennsylvania Stepping Up Technical Assistance Center. Before joining the CSG Justice Center, Ms. Frank was a policy analyst at the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, where she worked to ensure that the city and state were enacting equitable policies focused on the mental health and well-being of the city’s children and families. She previously served as a child welfare attorney for the New York City Administration for Children’s Services. She received her BS from Cornell University and her JD from the University at Buffalo Law School.

Angela Grannas, Pennsylvania Department of Corrections

Angela Grannas has been employed with the Department of Corrections for over 12 years in the Substance Abuse field. She began her career in corrections in 2007 at SCI Houtzdale and then later promoted in 2012 as the Drug and Alcohol Supervisor. In 2016 Angela moved to The DOC’s Central Office to fill the position of Drug and Alcohol Unit Supervisor. Angela also works for Harrisburg Area Community College as an instructor for the Certified Recovery Specialist Program. Angela obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Development and Family Studies from The Pennsylvania State University and a Master of Science degree from Capella University in Human Services focusing in Counseling. Before her career in the Department of Corrections, Angela worked in multiple community-based treatment programs ranging from Outpatient, to Medication Assisted Treatment to Inpatient rehabilitation programs.

Kati Habert, Council of State Governments Justice Center

Kati Habert is currently a Program Director in the Behavioral Health Division at the Council of State Governments Justice Center. She manages Stepping Up, a national initiative to reduce the prevalence of adults with mental illnesses in jails. Prior to Stepping Up she worked mainly with the National Reentry Resource Center to support grantee activities at the state and local levels focused on reentry, correctional practices, family substance use treatment and co-occurring substance and mental health disorders. She previously worked as a senior associate with the National Association of Counties on criminal justice technical assistance to counties. She graduated from the University of Maryland with a BA and a MA in criminal justice/criminology.

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Karri Hull, Criminal Justice Planning Department for Centre County

Karri joined Centre County Government in 2018. Her department is responsible for oversight of the Centre County Criminal Justice Advisory Board (CJAB), the Centre County Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), the Centre County Reentry Coalition, the Centre County Heroin and Opioid Prevention and Education (HOPE) Initiative, and the Centre County Stepping Up Initiative. Ms. Hull also prepares and maintains numerous grants for the county to assist in the funding of these initiatives.

Ms. Hull’s background includes eight years with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency where she served as a Criminal Justice Advisory Board Specialist for the Central Region. Karri covered twenty-two counties monitoring grant funded initiatives, participating in various boards within each county and acting as a liaison between the counties and the Commonwealth.

Prior to her work at PCCD, Ms. Hull served as a Juvenile Probation Officer and Placement Coordinator for Clinton County Court Services for ten years. Ms. Hull’s experience also includes Community Corrections, Juvenile Residential Treatment and the Central Counties Youth Detention Center.

Ms. Hull received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

Shawn D. Johnson, Friends Rehabilitation Program

Shawn Johnson is the Director of Reentry Services & Social Programs for the Friends Rehabilitation Program. Her current duties include overseeing reentry services. Previously, she served as Social Service Coordinator. She obtained a Master of Social Services degree, a Master of Law & Social Policy degree and a Master of Science & Criminal Justice degree. She specializes in Cognitive Behavior Therapy and Child & Family Focus Therapy.

Mike Kehs, Montgomery County Court Administrator

Mike Kehs earned his BA from Ursinus College and his Juris Doctorate from Villanova University Law School. He has worked for the Montgomery County Court System for over 30 years, serving as a Law Clerk and an Assistant District Attorney. He was appointed as the District Court Administrator in 1992 and has been serving in that role for nearly three decades.

He is a member of the Pennsylvania Association of Court Managers. He served as the PACM President from 2017 through 2018. Mike was instrumental in the development of the Montgomery County CJAB, officially established in 2008. Before that time the County held Criminal Division Meetings comprised of the members that were integral to the development of their County CJAB. Mike was elected CJAB Chairman and has served in this role since 2008.

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Samantha Koch, Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Samantha Koch is Senior Project Manager at the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD). In this role, Sam provides policy analysis, recommendations, and project support for a variety of statewide initiatives focused on issues like school safety, gun violence, and the opioid epidemic, among others. Prior to joining PCCD in March 2019, Sam held other policy-focused positions within the Commonwealth, including Director of Special Projects for the Governor's Policy Office and as Policy Director at the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Before working in state government, Sam served in a variety of roles and organizations within the nonprofit sector, including the Clery Center for Security On Campus and The Investment Fund for Foundations. Sam is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Saint Joseph's University, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science.

Geoff Kolchin, Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Geoff Kolchin is the Deputy Director for PCCD's Office of Gun Violence, which was established through an Executive Order by Governor Wolf in 2019. Mr. Kolchin oversees the Commission's Prevention Initiatives and is responsible for coordination of these initiatives across all PCCD offices, as well as serving as a liaison with other State Agencies' prevention work. Additionally, Mr. Kolchin serves as the Project Leader for the Pennsylvania Youth Survey (PAYS), a biennial survey of youth in the 6th, 8th, 10th, and 12th grades that collects data on youth attitudes, knowledge, and beliefs about substance use and other problem behaviors. Mr. Kolchin received his BA in Government from Lehigh University and his MS in Public Policy Analysis from the University of Rochester. He has served the Commonwealth for over 23 years.

Jennifer Lopez, Friends Association

Jennifer Lopez is the Executive Director of Friends Association where she leads a team of professionals in their mission to support and empower families as they rise out of poverty and homelessness. Prior to this, Jennifer spent 3 decades with the Chester County Adult Probation office, rising to the role of Deputy Chief of Chester County Probation, Parole and Pretrial Services. While there, Jennifer helped lead innovative programs such as the county's treatment courts and the Women's Reentry Assessment and Programming Initiative (WRAP), which earned the Top 25 Program Award at Harvard University's John F Kennedy School of Government. Jennifer implemented trauma informed practices in probation, parole and pre-trial services and has provided multiple trainings on trauma informed care and Mental Health First Aid with other criminal justice and law enforcement agencies and programs. Jennifer retired from this work to pursue her interest in developing strategies to heal and restore communities that have endured the effects of poverty, marginalization, and trauma. She was appointed to the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the Mental Health and Justice Advisory Committee at the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency and the Chester County Women's Commission. She has testified before the United States Congress in support of funding for Veterans Treatment Courts and served as President of the Middle Atlantic States Correctional Association (2017-2019); securing over 12 million dollars in grant funds to support justice-involved individuals in the Chester County Court system. She was 2010 recipient of the Caron Foundation's Community Service Legal Professionals Award. Jennifer also serves on the Governance Committee for Decade to Doorways, and the Preventing Domestic Violence-Related Shootings Workgroup under the Special Council on Gun Violence at the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Spanish and International Studies from Kutztown University.

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Brian Lovins, 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’s (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’s 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 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.

Rhonda McKitten, Philadelphia Police Department

Rhonda McKitten is a Stoneleigh Fellow at the Philadelphia Police Department and the Project Director for Philadelphia’s Juvenile Assessment Center and Youth Arrest reform Project. Ms. McKitten is the Director of the Pennsylvania DMC Youth/Law Enforcement Corporation and has trained youth and police across the country including as a co-developer of the IACP Juvenile Justice Institute. Prior to her Stoneleigh Fellowship, Ms. McKitten served as the Director of Juvenile Grants and Policy and a senior trial attorney in the Juvenile Unit of the Defender Association of Philadelphia. Ms. McKitten is a member of the Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Subcommittee of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. Ms. McKitten worked with the National Juvenile Defender Center to draft the Ten Core Principles for Providing Quality Delinquency Representation Through Public Defense Delivery Systems, 2nd Edition, and has been a trainer at national conferences for defense counsel and other stakeholders in the justice system. Ms. McKitten was instrumental in developing a Juvenile Drug Treatment Court and a Graduated Sanctions Court in Philadelphia Family Court and has collaborated with law enforcement and the District Attorney’s office to create a curriculum for police, which teaches officers more effective ways to interact with youth on the street. A 1999 graduate of Georgetown University Law Center, Ms. McKitten clerked for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and has taught Juvenile Justice as an adjunct professor at the Temple University Beasley School of Law.

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Christopher J. Murphy, Chester County

Chris has been involved in Probation and Parole since 1983, when he started as an Adult Probation Officer in Montgomery County. In 1999, he created the Sex Offender Supervision Program, which he supervised until his appointment as Deputy Chief in 2004. In 2001, Chris started the Montgomery County Sexual Assault Task Force, an interagency collaborative, whose mission is to bring about a victim centered approach to managing sex offenders in the community. He chaired this group until March of 2007, when he was appointed Chief Adult Probation Officer of Chester County. In 2009, Chris was named as Director of the Chester County Bail Agency and in 2011, was appointed DUI Coordinator. He managed the merger of these departments, resulting in the name change to Chester County Adult Probation, Parole and Pretrial Services. As Chief, Chris oversaw the development and implementation of Re-entry, Recovery and Mental Health Court, the Swift Alternative Violation Enforcement Program (SAVE), a swift, certain and fair sanctioning program and the Women’s Re-Entry Assessment and Programming Initiative (WRAP) that provides for specialized services and supervision for Women released from prison who are suffering from Trauma and other risk factors leading to recidivism.

Dr. Joël Núñez, PROV 205

Dr. Joël Núñez is a New Jersey state licensed clinical psychologist. In 1996, he earned a bachelor’s degree with Honors in Psychology from Drew University in Madison, NJ. He earned a full scholarship to study psychology at The Pennsylvania State University in University Park, PA. As a graduate student, he was awarded the prestigious Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans on the basis of scholarly merit, academic promise, and potential to contribute to public life in America. Dr. Núñez graduated in 2003 with a Ph.D. in Psychology. He completed his pre-doctoral clinical internship at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School/UMDNJ in Piscataway, NJ. Following internship, he worked as a bilingual clinical psychologist at an inpatient psychiatric hospital in Secaucus, NJ, earning his license to practice psychology in 2006. Thereafter, Dr. Núñez worked as a consultant psychologist at a residential facility in Totowa, NJ, treating adolescents and adults living with developmental disabilities, severe and persistent mental illness, and other life challenges. He also provided clinical supervision for psychologists-in-training at an inpatient psychiatric hospital. Dr. Núñez owns and operates PROV 205 Psychological Services a group psychotherapy practice in Bayonne, NJ where he and his team of psychologists treat individuals, couples, and families facing various challenges in living. In addition, he is a published author and public speaker appearing locally and nationally on topics of mental health, self-care and optimizing human performance. Finally, Dr. Núñez serves as an elder at the Cityline Church of Jersey City where he teaches and provides professional pastoral counseling. He, his wife and three children live in Northern New Jersey.

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Honorable Leslie Osche, Chairwoman of the Butler County Commissioners

Leslie Osche was elected to serve as Butler County Commissioner in 2015. She previously served as the Executive Director of the United Way of Butler County where she oversaw the launch of the Butler County Emergency Relief Initiative and the United Way Women’s Leadership Council “Women United.” She worked to launch the PA 2-1-1 Service in Southwestern PA. She also served in executive leadership roles with Butler County Chamber of Commerce, St. Barnabas, and Lifesteps, Inc.

Having spent her career working with non-profit and community organizations, she continues to work to understand and respond to the needs and concerns of seniors, families, children and local businesses to enhance transparency, fiscal accountability, and long-term vision in County government. Commissioner Osche has served as a member of Butler County CJAB, first in her role as the Executive Director of the United way and later as the Chairman of the Butler County Commissioners. She also serves as the treasurer of the county Commissioner Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) and sits on several committees including the Human Services and Strategic Planning Committees, both crucial components of justice planning efforts.

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Mike Pennington, Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

On September 16, 2019 Michael Pennington was appointed as Executive Director of the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD). Mr. Pennington has 28 years’ experience in the criminal and juvenile justice systems. PCCD serves as the justice planning and policymaking agency in the Commonwealth. PCCD’s mission is to enhance the quality, coordination, and planning within the criminal and juvenile justice systems, to facilitate the delivery of services to victims of crime, and to increase the safety of our communities.

Prior to his appointment as Executive Director, Mr. Pennington was responsible for providing leadership and direction to PCCD’s Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) and Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements (OCJSI). This included the development of policy recommendations and administration of federal and state funds to support programs designed to improve the Commonwealth’s juvenile and criminal justice systems, and to prevent violence, delinquency, substance abuse, and other related problem behaviors among children and youth. Mr. Pennington was responsible for managing the OJJDP, which includes the facilitation of planning activities in coordination with and in support of Pennsylvania’s Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Committee and its various subcommittees, and for managing the OCJSI, which included planning, coordinating, organizing and directing program and staff activities. He was responsible for the development of statewide plans and priorities, interpreting and administering policies, procedures and regulations. This included the identification of statewide criminal justice priorities and the establishment of funding mechanisms to support the implementation of these priorities. He was also responsible for overseeing several federal and state funding streams, including the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program. This included responsibility for the coordination of the agency JAG strategic plan and all corresponding activities that result in the awarding of funding across all the PCCD program areas. Responsible for defining, developing and implementing agency and Commonwealth criminal justice policies and procedures at local, state and federal levels of government.

Mr. Pennington’s work also involved meeting with state and local officials to discuss program approaches and techniques to provide a comprehensive and coordinated statewide juvenile justice plan that is based on an analysis of the Commonwealths needs and problems, including juvenile delinquency prevention. The OJJDP is also responsible for maintaining compliance with the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act.

Mr. Pennington holds a Master of Science in Administration of Justice from Shippensburg University.

Bruce, Quigley, Union County Housing and Redevelopment Authorities

Bruce L. Quigley is the Executive Director for the Union County Housing and Redevelopment Authorities. Bruce spent the first part of his career practicing architecture and community and urban design. His firm, OPA, designed Pennsylvania’s first affordable Green housing project in 2006. Since 2012, he’s been Director of the Housing Authority where he oversaw the development of Penn Commons, Union County’s first Low Income Housing Tax Credit Project in twenty years. Bruce’s first assignment at the Authority was to help then Executive Director Jere Engle write the PCCD Grant that lead to the establishment of the Authority’s ground-breaking Justice Bridge Housing Program. He teaches “Affordable Housing: Policy and Practice” at Bucknell University.

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Shannon Robinson, Friends Rehabilitation Program

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Megan Shreve, South Central Community Action Programs

Megan Shreve is the CEO of South-Central Community Action Programs. She began her work with low-income and at-risk families in 1983 as a student in college and it changed the course of her career. Over the past 35 years, Megan has worked in the human service field directing and implementing numerous programs designed to help at risk children, youth, and families build a better future. She has also worked in the private sector as a consultant doing business process analysis, implementation, and training around large change management projects. Megan is committed to working on the micro and macro level to reduce poverty and strengthen the economic and social infrastructure of communities. She volunteers for the Adams and Franklin County Support Circles initiatives and still enjoys walking alongside families on their journey to stability.

Kempis “Ghani” Songster, Restorative Justice Diversion, Youth Art & Self-empowerment Project

Kempis Songster is the Program Manager of Restorative Justice Diversion with the Youth Art & Self-empowerment Project. He spent the first seven years of his life carefree in the beautiful islands nation of Trinidad & Tobago; ...his next 8 years as an honor student in the concrete jungles of Brooklyn, NY; ...four months as a runaway selling cocaine from drug houses in Philadelphia; ...followed by 30+ years in prison on a sentence to life without parole/death by incarceration that began at the age of 15. He occupied his time behind prison walls trying to regain his humanity and moral rectitude and learning how to advocate for the humanity of others. He is a founding member of Right to Redemption, and a founding member of the Coalition to Abolish Death By Incarceration (CADBI). He is a co-founder of The Redemption Project. He is also co-founder and director of Ubuntu Philadelphia. His case is the focus of the Transom and Frontline two-part documentary Living With Murder by Samantha Broun and Jay Allison. In 2019, Living With Murder was among eight Frontline features to be honored with the Gold Baton from the Alfred Dupont Columbia Awards. Before joining the staff of YASP, Kempis worked for three years as Healing Justice Organizer with the Amistad Law Project. He was also the co-creator and host of Amistad’s monthly podcast show Move It Forward. In the three years since his release, Kempis has been front and center in the fight for a more livable world.

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Honorable David W. Sunday, District Attorney for York County

District Attorney Dave Sunday is not only leading York County's fight against illegal drugs; he's also a top litigator, a United States Navy Veteran and a dynamic leader who put himself through college and law school while working at UPS. He leads an office of prosecutors and detectives who together investigate and prosecute approximately 10,000 criminal cases annually. DA Sunday worked as an intern at the United Nations Office of the Secretariat in New York where he was assigned to the Department of Peacekeeping Operations. He also served as Law Clerk for the Honorable Joseph C. Adams, now President Judge of the York County Court of Common Pleas. He has been a prosecutor with the York County District Attorney's Office since 2009 and has served as the Chief Deputy Prosecutor of Litigation, Legal Advisor to the District Attorney's Drug Task Force and York County Quick Response (a.k.a. SWAT) Team. In 2013, he was appointed by the United States Department of Justice as a Special Assistant United States Attorney for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, where he assisted in the prosecution of gang, illegal gun, and drug cases in Federal Court. As the York County DA, he co-founded the York County Heroin Task Force (now the York County Opioid Collaborative) where he serves as board chair. He also serves on the Elder Abuse Task Force, the Board of Directors for the York County Bar Association and the York County Children's Advocacy Center. He is a member of the Education and Training Committee of the Pennsylvania District Attorney's Association (PDAA) and was elected by his colleagues to the Board of the Directors for both the PDAA and the Pennsylvania District Attorney's Institute. He was recently selected to serve on behalf of the PDAA on PCCD's statewide Mental Health and Justice Advisory Committee. He was appointed by Speaker of the House Mike Turzai to the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing. DA Sunday received his undergraduate degree in Finance from Penn State University in 2002 and graduated from Widener Law School in 2007.

Dr. Ashley Yinger, Dauphin County District Attorney's Office

Dr. Ashley Yinger is the Criminal Justice Programming Administrator at the Dauphin County District Attorney's office. Within that role, she serves as the Stepping Up coordinator, which Stepping Up is a national initiative to reduce Serious Mental Illness (SMI) in prisons/jails. Dauphin County worked with the Council of State Government to receive technical assistance in 2016, which resulted in recommendations to address individuals with SMI in the local prison. Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for law enforcement and a Coresponder program model, working side by side with law enforcement are two of the recommendations that Dr. Yinger implemented and is overseeing, among a few others.

Dr. Yinger graduated in 2019 with her PhD in Criminal Justice with a focus on Justice Administration. Her dissertation entailed the experiences of Police Officers who are CIT trained. Much of her research interests has included individuals with special needs and their involvement with the criminal justice system. She has over 14 years' experience in human services. Prior to Dauphin County, she was the Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities/Early Intervention Administrator in Franklin and Fulton counties. Outside of her work in the County, she also serves as an adjunct professor for Penn State Mont Alto and Shippensburg University, in their Criminal Justice department.