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PROGRAM GUIDE

JUVENILE DEFENDER LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

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OUR MISSION

The National Juvenile Defender Center promotes justice for all children by ensuring excellence in juvenile defense.

WE BELIEVE

ALL CHILDREN

in the justice system must have ready and timely access to skilled, well-resourced, and trained defenders;

ALL CHILDREN

must be afforded full protection of their constitutional, civil, and human rights;

ALL CHILDREN

must receive legal representation that is client-centered, compassionate, developmentally and age-appropriate, and free of bias;

ALL CHILDREN

must have the opportunity to make mistakes and learn from them, and the freedom to build a successful life for themselves and their families.

WHO WE ARE



The National Juvenile Defender Center (NJDC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to promoting justice for all children by ensuring excellence in juvenile defense.

Through community building, training, and policy reform, we provide national leadership on juvenile defense issues with a focus on curbing the deprivation of young people's rights in the court system.

Our reach extends to urban, suburban, rural, and tribal areas, where we elevate the voices of youth, families, and defenders to create positive case outcomes and meaningful opportunities for children. We also work with broad coalitions to ensure the reform of juvenile courts includes the protection of children's rights — particularly the right to counsel.

To learn more about NJDC, please visit us at www.njdc.info.



SINCE 1997, NJDC has been transforming children's defense representation:

ASSESSED

24
STATES

NJDC has evaluated juvenile defense systems in 24 states. Assessments provide state leaders, justice stakeholders, and the public with a comprehensive understanding of the strengths and deficits of children's defense and offer recommendations tailored to the state to ensure due process rights for youth are fulfilled.

AUTHORED

200+
RESOURCES

NJDC is committed to providing the juvenile defender community with the tools necessary to grow their legal, advocacy, and leadership skills. Through reports, issue briefs, policy statements, training curricula, and other publications, NJDC has developed a vast library of resources to improve the practice of lawyers representing young people.

TRAINED

5,000+
DEFENDERS

Every year, NJDC hosts the Juvenile Defender Leadership Summit, the only national gathering of its kind, to inspire and energize juvenile defenders from every state. NJDC also organizes Summer Academy, a weeklong intensive training program for new and experienced frontline defenders. Throughout the year, NJDC provides topic-specific trainings across the country.

ADVANCED

100+
DEFENSE
IMPROVEMENTS

Through policy development, litigation support, training, and the assessment and evaluation of juvenile court systems, NJDC has been at the forefront of the movement to ensure young people have rights, representation, and a voice in juvenile court.

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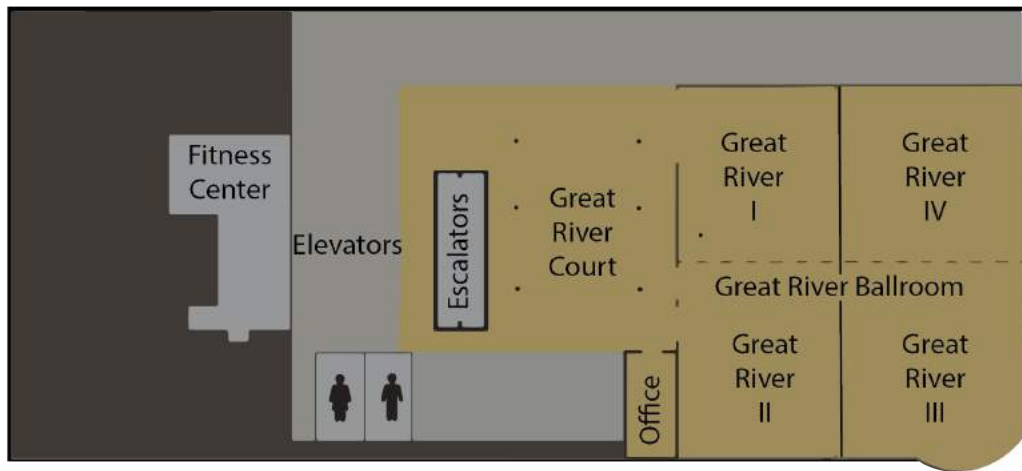
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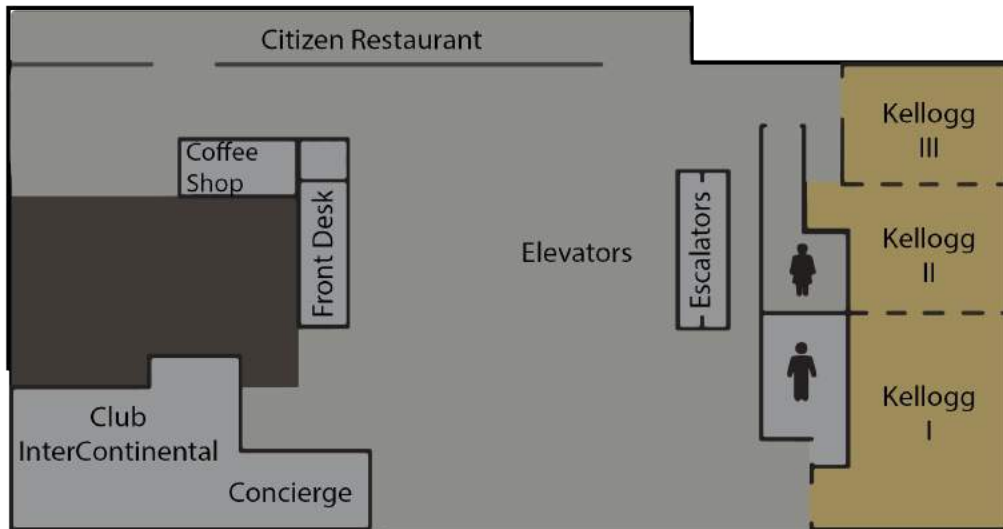
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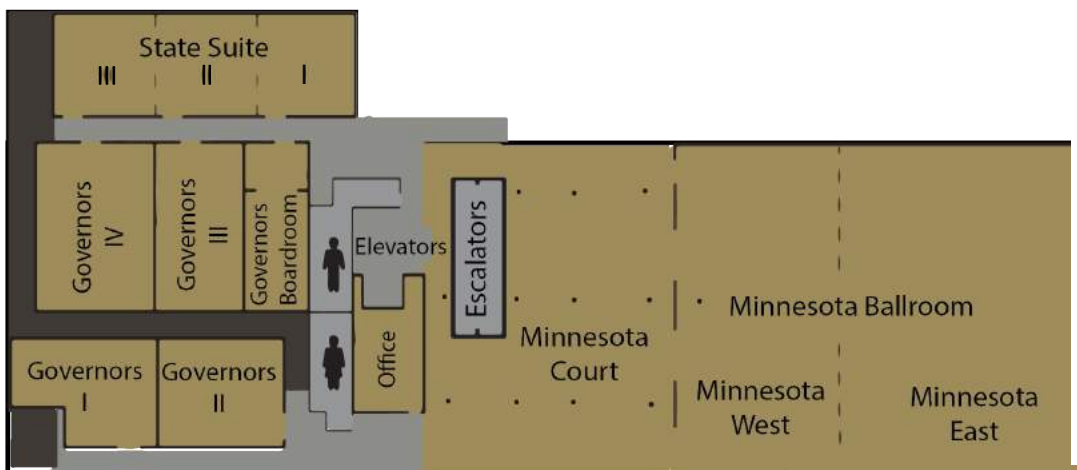
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First Level Meeting Spaces



Lobby Level Meeting Spaces



Lower Level Meeting Spaces

SUMMIT 2018 AGENDA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018

1:30 - 6:00 PM **EARLY REGISTRATION** / HOTEL LOBBY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018

6:45 - 7:45 AM **THERAPEUTIC FLOW YOGA** / GREAT RIVER BALLROOM II & III
Ann Blackburn / Tula Yoga & Wellness / Novices & all levels welcome

8:00 - 9:00 AM **REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** / MINNESOTA COURT

9:00 - 10:30 AM **OPENING SESSION** / MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

Introduction:

Philip Inglima / Chair, NJDC Board of Directors

Special Guest:

Honorable Melvin Carter / Mayor, Saint Paul, Minnesota

Welcome:

Mary Ann Scali / Executive Director, NJDC

Keynote:

Raj Jayadev / Co-Founder, Silicon Valley De-Bug

Guest Speaker:

Jarrett Adams / Member at-large, NJDC Board of Directors

Spoken Word:

Aazia-Marie Ross / Artist, Poet, & Youth Justice Advocate

10:30 - 10:45 AM **BREAK**

10:45 - 12:15 PM **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Kellogg II **A Common Voice: Partnering with Youth, Families & Communities**
Charisse Domingo / *Raj Jayadev* / *Sajid Khan* / *Chris Kleiser*

Governors I **Big Brother's Watching: Challenging Electronic Surveillance & Searches of Youth on Probation**
Tony Cheng / *Oscar Lopez* / *Kate Weisburd*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018 (CONTINUED)

10:45 - 12:15 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS (CONT.)

- Governors III **Challenging the Admissibility of Statements & the Interrogation of Children**
Samantha Buckingham / Jessica Feierman / Marsha Levick
- State II **Improving Community-Based Responses: Understanding the Nexus Between Girls, Family Violence, & the Justice System**
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Lauren Dollar / Aneesa Khan / Ji Seon Song

12:15 - 1:15 PM LUNCH / MINNESOTA COURT

1:15 - 3:00 PM GENERAL SESSION / MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

SPOTLIGHT

Race, Rights, & Reform:

50 Years of Child Advocacy in the Juvenile System

Laura Cohen / Kristin Henning / Ellen Marrus

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018 (CONTINUED)

1:15 - 3:00 PM

PLENARY

DON'T GET IT TWISTED:

Trauma-Informed Advocacy is Different from Trauma-Informed Courts

Moderator: *Tim Curry* / Legal Director, NJDC

Panelists: *Carly Baetz* / Asst. Professor, New York Univ. School of Medicine
Eduardo Ferrer / Policy Director, Georgetown Juv. Justice Initiative
Isaiah Pickens / Asst. Director, Service Systems Program, UCLA-Duke National Center for Child Traumatic Stress

3:00 - 3:15 PM

BREAK / MINNESOTA COURT

3:15 - 4:15 PM

REGIONAL MEETINGS

Kellogg I

Central Region Co-Directors: *Amanda Bear & Chris Kleiser*
 Arkansas, Kansas, Kentucky, Indiana, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee

Governors I

Mid-Atlantic Region Co-Directors: *Kristin Henning & Debbie St. Jean*
 District of Columbia, Maryland, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Virginia, W. Virginia

Governors III

Midwest Region Co-Directors: *Betsy Clarke & Diane Rondini*
 Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, N. Dakota, S. Dakota, Wisconsin

State I

New England Region Co-Directors: *Pamela Jones & Wendy Wolf*
 Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont

Kellogg II

Northeast Region Co-Directors: *Lisa Minutola & Tiffany Sizemore*
 Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania

Governors IV

Pacific Region Director: *Patti Lee*
 California

Governors II

Southern Region Co-Directors: *Whitney Untiedt & Randee Waldman*
 Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, N. Carolina, S. Carolina

Kellogg III

Southwest Region Co-Directors: *Ellen Marrus & Chris Phillis*
 Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah

State II

Western Region Co-Directors: *Clarence Henderson, Jr. & Susan Roske*
 Alaska, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018 (CONTINUED)

4:15 - 4:30 PM **BREAK** / MINNESOTA COURT

4:30 - 6:00 PM **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Governors II **Art for Advocacy**
Andrea Dennis / Harry Grammer / Michal Gross / Richard Ross

Governors I **Defending Against Fines, Fees, & Restitution**
Jill Johnson / Katherine Sato / Lisa Swaminathan

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Carly Baetz / Eduardo Ferrer

Governors IV **"Here Comes That Kid": Defending the "Notorious" Client**
Christina Gilbert / Whitney Untiedt

State I **Puttin' on the Writs: Appealing When You Don't Have a Right to Appeal**
Amanda Powell / Ariel Test

State II **Redefining "Juvenile"**
Betsy Clarke / Jeree Thomas / Kim Thomas

State III **Tearing Down Obstacles: Reentry Civil Legal Services Partnerships**
Julia Alanen / Greg Bingham / Sabrina Forte / Carrie Gilbert

6:00 PM **DAY ADJOURNS**
ENJOY YOUR NIGHT IN SAINT PAUL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018

- 6:45 - 7:45 AM** **THERAPEUTIC FLOW YOGA** / GREAT RIVER BALLROOM II & III
Ann Blackburn / Tula Yoga & Wellness / Novices & all levels welcome
- 7:45 - 8:45 AM** **NETWORKING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** / MINNESOTA COURT
This breakfast is provided with support from The Pew Charitable Trusts.
 For those interested in networking and discussing any of the following topics over breakfast, please pick up some food and join your colleagues in the rooms designated to the topic of your interest:
- Governors I **Contract/ Court Appointed Attorneys & Systems: Strengths, Challenges, & Resource Needs**
- State II **Juvenile Defenders Advancing Reform: Creating Innovative Tools for Change**
- Governors III **Fines, Fees, & Court Costs: Abolishing the Criminalization of Poverty**
- Governors II **Post-Disposition: Confinement, Probation, & Reentry**
- State I **Social Worker & Defender Partnerships: Enhancing Your Juvenile Delinquency Practice**
- 9:00 - 10:45 AM** **GENERAL SESSION** / MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM
- SUPREME COURT REVIEW**
Angela Vigil / Partner & Executive Director, Pro Bono Practice, Baker & McKenzie
- PLENARY**
CRIMINALIZING LANGUAGE: Defending Youth Threats Cases
 Moderator: *Randee Waldman / Director, Barton Juvenile Defender Clinic, Emory University School of Law*
- Panelists: *Amanda Bear / Managing Attorney, Children's Law Center, Lex., KY*
 Johanna Miller / Advocacy Director, New York Civil Liberties Union
 Nubia Peña / Staff Attorney, Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys
 Gwyneth Rost / Speech-Language Pathologist & Senior Lecturer of Communication Disorders, UMass Amherst
- 10:45 - 11:00 AM** **BREAK** / MINNESOTA COURT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018 (CONTINUED)

11:00 - 12:30 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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| State II | Back to School: Breaking Down Barriers to Your Clients' Educational Success
<i>Serena Holthe / Tiffany Sizemore</i> |
| Kellogg I | Beyond Miranda: Suppressing Statements on Other Grounds
<i>Randy Hertz</i> |
| Governors III | Cell Phones in Schools: Pushing the Boundaries of Searches
<i>Barbara Fedders / Randee Waldman</i> |
| State I | Confined Without Cause: The Constitutional Right to Prompt Probable Cause Determinations for Youth
<i>Kristina Kersey / Amanda Powell / Eric Zogry</i> |
| Governors II | The Deportation Funnel: The Nexus Between Schools, Gang Allegations, & Removal
<i>Kasie Lee / Johanna Miller / Nubia Peña</i> |
| Kellogg II | Dismantling Transfer
<i>Sue Burrell / Rourke Stacy / Jeree Thomas</i> |
| Kellogg III | Ensuring Access: Defenders as Policy Advocates for Access to Counsel
<i>Amy Borrer / Eduardo Ferrer / David Johnson</i> |
| Governors IV | In Defense of Rap: The (In)admissibility of Artistic Expression as Evidence
<i>Andrea Dennis / Kristin Henning</i> |
| State III | Suing the Government
<i>Jody Owens / Paloma Wu / George Yeannakis</i> |
| Governors I | Vicarious Trauma & Self-Care
<i>Meghan Johnson / Sandra Simkins</i> |

12:30 - 1:30 PM LUNCH / MINNESOTA COURT

1:30 - 3:00 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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| Governors III | Addressing Collateral Consequences: Helping Youth Create Pathways to Success
<i>Serena Holthe / Aazia-Marie Ross / Sonia Slone</i> |
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018 (CONTINUED)

1:30 - 3:00 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS (CONT.)

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| Governors I | Can Your Client Aid in Their Defense?
<i>Angela Chang / Cait Mullen / Elana Roffman</i> |
| Governors II | Defending Juvenile Sex Cases & Challenging Registration Requirements
<i>Laura Cohen / Nicole Pittman / Riya Saha Shah</i> |
| State II | Defense Beyond the Courtroom: Innovative Models of Post-Disposition Advocacy for Youth in Placement
<i>Amy Karozos / Clare Kruger / Brittany Mobley / Joel Wieneke</i> |
| State III | Five Ways Juvenile Defenders Can Use Data
<i>Aneesa Khan / Olajumoke Obayanju / Melissa Sickmund</i> |
| Kellogg III | An Interactive How-To on Introducing Evidence
<i>Pamela Jones / Wendy Wolf</i> |
| Kellogg I | Objection! Hearsay! Blocking Out-of-Court Statements & Using the Confrontation Clause
<i>Randy Hertz</i> |
| Kellogg II | Policing the ER: Unfettered Investigations in Hospitals
<i>Ji Seon Song</i> |
| State I | Stepping into a New Arena: The Power of Defenders as State Reform Advocates
<i>Elizabeth Calvin / David Johnson / LeAnn Jones / Trent Wetta</i> |
| Governors IV | Walk a Mile in Their Shoes: The System from Your Clients' Perspectives
<i>Brian Blalock / Angela Vigil</i> |

3:00 - 3:15 PM BREAK / MINNESOTA COURT

3:15 - 4:45 PM GENERAL SESSION / MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

KEYNOTE

James Forman, Jr. / Professor of Law, Yale University / Author Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America / Pulitzer Prize Winner for Non-Fiction, 2018

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018 (CONTINUED)

3:15 - 4:45 PM

PLENARY

CHECKING THE SYSTEM: Defender Approaches to Racial Justice

Moderator: *Kristin Henning* / Director, Juvenile Justice Clinic & Initiative, Georgetown Law

Panelists: *Brooke Burns* / Chief Counsel, Juvenile Department, Office of the Ohio Public Defender

Margaret Johnson / Racial & Ethnic Disparity Practice Coordinator, Wisconsin State Public Defender's Office

Kimberly Jones Merchant / Director, Racial Justice Institute, Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law

Eric Zogry / State Juvenile Defender, North Carolina Office of the Juvenile Defender

4:45 - 5:00 PM

ROBERT E. SHEPHERD JR. AWARD PRESENTATION / MN GRAND BALLROOM

5:00 - 7:00 PM

RECEPTION & BOOK SIGNING / GREAT RIVER BALLROOM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018

6:30 - 7:30 AM

MORNING RUN / MEET IN LOBBY

8:30 - 9:30 AM

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST / MINNESOTA COURT

9:30 - 11:00 AM

GENERAL SESSION / MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

IT'S CHILD ABUSE:

Defending Juvenile Sex Cases & Challenging Registration Requirements

Moderator: *Laura Cohen* / Director, Criminal & Youth Justice Clinic, Rutgers Law

Panelists: *Nicole Pittman* / Founder & Director, Center on Youth Registration Reform, Impact Justice

Riya Saha Shah / Senior Supervising Attorney, Juvenile Law Center

Patty Wetterling / Child Advocate & Co-Founder, Jacob Wetterling Resource Center

11:00 AM

SUMMIT ADJOURNS

WORKSHOP & PLENARY DESCRIPTIONS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018

10:45 - 12:15 PM MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Kellogg II **A Common Voice: Partnering with Youth, Families & Communities**

Charisse Domingo / Raj Jayadev / Sajid Khan / Chris Kleiser

Community partnerships present an extraordinary opportunity to strengthen juvenile defense by fostering creative advocacy in collaboration with youth and families. In this session, participants will hear from the architects of participatory defense and juvenile defenders who have worked within existing community hubs. Participants will learn about the elements of participatory defense and the opportunities presented when we invite the community into the court process. Our hope is that juvenile defenders across the country will reach out to existing hubs, build their own youth-specific hubs to impact the outcome of cases, and transform the landscape of power in the court system.

Governors I **Big Brother's Watching: Challenging Electronic Surveillance & Searches of Youth on Probation** *Tony Cheng / Oscar Lopez / Kate Weisburd*

A school principal scrolls through your client's phone and finds incriminating evidence, a judge imposes an "electronic search" as a condition of probation, or a probation officer relies on GPS tracking to document a curfew violation. The result: your client's probation is violated, or they are charged with a new offense. Young people in the juvenile justice system are increasingly watched and monitored electronically by schools, police, and probation. This session will focus on how defenders can challenge the permutations of electronic surveillance both in individual cases and systemically. Through a combination of brief narratives, role plays, and discussion, this session aims to arm defenders with realistic tactics for challenging the range of electronic surveillance for youth on probation.

Governors III **Challenging the Admissibility of Statements & the Interrogation of Children**

Samantha Buckingham / Jessica Feierman / Marsha Levick

This session will focus on the unique problems youth face in interrogations and explore the social science research on adolescent vulnerability to coercion, the implications of the U.S. Supreme Court's opinion in *J.D.B. v. North Carolina* (that courts must consider the custody determination from the perspective of a reasonable child), and how to shape an argument that a confession was involuntary. Participants will examine caselaw and legislative changes since *J.D.B.*, including legislation affording younger children the right to meet with an attorney prior to waiver of *Miranda* rights. Participants will also explore how to continue shaping the law, including establishing greater procedural protections for youth in interrogation and applying the "reasonable child" lens to other legal contexts. The workshop will include group discussions of juvenile interrogation case examples, interrogation policy goals and opportunities, and issues raised by participants.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018**10:45 - 12:15 PM MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

State II **Improving Community-Based Responses: Understanding the Nexus
Between Girls, Family Violence, & the Justice System** *Lisa Jacobs*

Youth who enter the justice system as a result of family conflict—also known as Adolescent Domestic Battery (ADB)—are not best served by traditional juvenile justice approaches that focus primarily upon a youth’s behavior or utilize adult domestic violence response protocols. This workshop will engage defenders and policy partners in analysis of problems that arise when justice systems respond to family conflict with punitive approaches and will offer alternate policy and practice strategies to improve outcomes for youth and families. Participants will explore the characteristics of families experiencing ADB and discuss the ADB Typology Tool, which can be used to divert youth from arrest and craft effective support for families in crisis. With this foundation, we will turn to the unique characteristics and needs of girls and the factors driving girls into the justice system. The discussion will offer specific strategies being developed in Illinois to craft humane, developmentally appropriate, and gender-informed responses and supports.

State III **Innovative Rural & Tribal Collaborations**
Cynthia Aragon / Kathryn Barry / Amanda Butler

This session will focus on how to build partnerships with Tribal courts and utilize existing resources for strategic capacity building and will introduce the Rural Outreach and Accessibility Model (ROAM) for training. Join the team from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention-funded *Access to Juvenile Justice: Rural & Tribal Southwest Project* for an interactive session with toolkits and takeaways for those working in rural and Tribal jurisdictions.

Governors II **Isn’t It Appealing? Using Adolescent Development & Preserving the Record**
Amanda Powell / Ron Roesch / Leslie Rosenberg

In this workshop, juvenile defenders will gain an understanding of the most important aspects of adolescent brain science and how to use that science and recent juvenile justice caselaw to more persuasively formulate a theory of the case, educate the courts, craft direct and cross examination, make objections, preserve the record for appeal, and WIN! Defenders will have an opportunity to improve their critical thinking and persuasive advocacy skills by taking advantage of recent advances in adolescent brain science. Using excerpts of actual trial and appellate transcripts, defenders will analyze successful and problematic examples of direct and cross examination, objections, and appellate briefs. Participants will have an opportunity to examine some of the key challenges that face defenders across the country in their delinquency, transfer, and JLWOP cases.

Kellogg III **Policing Without Standards: Strategies Promoting Constitutional Treatment of
Youth by Law Enforcement** *Kristin Henning / Laura Nirider / Lisa Thurai*

This workshop will offer defenders strategies for challenging the treatment of youth by law enforcement and law enforcement agencies’ failure to use developmentally appropriate practices. Participants will explore legal tactics to address violations of youths’ Fourth and Fifth Amendment rights, effective collaborations between defenders and law enforcement agencies to write developmentally appropriate law enforcement agency policies, and legislative examples of law enforcement training requirements. Defenders participating in this workshop will leave with a set of concrete resources to use when advocating for youth in their jurisdictions.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018**10:45 - 12:15 PM MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

State I **Procedural (In)Justice: Using Facility Reentry Planning to Promote Better Outcomes** *Joyce Burrell / Kim Godfrey*

Our clients often justifiably feel that the juvenile court system is random, unfair, and unjust. Yet, a young person's experience and perceptions of being fairly treated increase the chances they will not reoffend. Conversely, punishment decreases chances of desistance from criminal behavior and can hinder healthy adolescent development. Presenters will share data from the Performance-based Standards (PbS) program in 36 states, including incarcerated youths' perceptions of fairness and accountability, experiences and connections to legal representation, access to families, and how perceptions of fairness are key to safety and reentry. Participants will provide insight into what they believe best assesses and monitors a reentry service's fairness and accountability, including the importance of legal representation throughout the reentry process.

Kellogg I **State Constitutions: Going Beyond the Federal Floor** *Randy Hertz*

State constitutions often provide our clients with broader protections than the federal constitution. Sometimes states have specific safeguards not found in the federal constitution, while other times state supreme courts interpret state provisions that mirror the federal protections more broadly. Participants in this workshop will explore state constitutional rulings that have established heightened constitutional standards in criminal and delinquency caselaw, particularly in regard to the suppression of tangible evidence, statements, or identification testimony. The goals of this session are to identify lines of cases that can be used to encourage similar rulings in states that have not yet ruled on these issues and to examine general arguments that can be made in support of expanding state constitutional protections.

Governors IV **Watch Your Language: The Power of Words & Race**
Lauren Dollar / Aneesa Khan / Ji Seon Song

Terms of art like "out of home placements," "juvenile detention," and "disproportionate minority contact/racial and ethnic disparities" sugarcoat the lived realities of our clients. Vocabulary is the medium through which reformers have tried to advocate across the aisle, but it is also being used to shape how the public and justice system stakeholders think about, react to, and ultimately treat young people. In this interactive workshop, presenters and participants will explore the ways language shapes our understanding of the juvenile system and impacts reform efforts. The workshop will culminate in a brainstorm about the language we can use in both our direct representation and policy advocacy to more zealously and honestly advocate for our clients.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018

1:15 - 3:00 PM **PLENARY** | MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

Don't Get It Twisted:

Trauma-Informed Advocacy is Different from Trauma-Informed Courts

Moderator: *Tim Curry*

Panelists: *Carly Baetz / Eduardo Ferrer / Isaiah Pickens*

There has been a lot of talk in recent years about trauma-informed courts and how a client's trauma history may be entwined with their case. But for juvenile defenders, trauma can be a double-edged sword. While understanding our clients' histories and recognizing trauma reactions at play in a case is critical, a focus on trauma can result in system overreaction, unnecessary "services," and overall net-widening that draws our clients deeper into a punitive system. In this session, panelists will explore clinical definitions of trauma and resiliency, examine the concepts of racial and historical trauma that have particular impact on youth in conflict with the law, and discuss how the unique role of a juvenile defender as an expressed-interest advocate with a duty of confidentiality creates a different lens through which we define what it means to be trauma-informed.

4:30 - 6:00 PM **AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Governors II **Art for Advocacy** *Andrea Dennis / Harry Grammer / Michal Gross / Richard Ross*

Lifting up youth voices and perspectives is critical to effective juvenile defense and youth success. By stepping out of the restrictions of "textbook" advocacy and using images, audio, and creative language, juvenile defenders can elevate the humanity of young people, narrate their stories, and fight against incarceration. This workshop will provide successful examples of using art in advocacy and strategize around overcoming challenges to its use. Participants will engage in a discussion of how to connect with and influence both the bench and policy leaders and will hear from advocates working with youth to create photographs, music, art, and poetry to tell personal stories, influence court decisions, and change the legal system.

Governors I **Defending Against Fines, Fees, & Restitution**

Jill Johnson / Katherine Sato / Lisa Swaminathan

Across the country, youth and their families are charged for costs, fines, fees, and restitution in the juvenile justice system. Too often, these payment obligations push youth deeper into the justice system, cause families serious financial and emotional strain, and perpetuate racial and economic disparities. Because some financial obligations may be imposed without an attorney's knowledge, there may not always be an obvious opportunity to contest their imposition; being aware of the financial penalties youth face creates new opportunities to advocate on behalf of young people. In this workshop, participants will discuss legal challenges to court-imposed financial obligations; identify fines, fees, and restitution problems in their jurisdictions; and develop legal strategies for challenging them at trial and on appeal. Participants will hear from attorneys who have successfully employed strategies to challenge court-imposed financial obligations at the trial and appellate levels and share legal strategies for challenging economic sanctions across jurisdictions.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018

4:30 - 6:00 PM AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Kellogg III **Dissecting Probation Orders: Ways Front-Line Defenders Can Advocate for Successful Outcomes** *Tim Curry / Gwyneth Rost*

In theory, probation should be an opportunity for youth to access supports in their community as part of a rehabilitative juvenile court system. But too often, probation sets young people up for failure. Research shows that probation orders themselves are often part of the problem, because they are too complicated, include far too many conditions, and contain standard, cookie-cutter conditions that have no nexus to a young person's case. Probation orders can even include unconstitutional waivers of rights. In this session, participants will develop strategies to challenge standard probation orders, learn how the language of these orders—both written and oral—affects youth understanding of the conditions, and explore ways to argue for fewer and more client-specific probation conditions and raise challenges to coerced waivers of constitutional rights.

Kellogg I **Electronic Evidence: A New Spin on Old Rules** *Randy Hertz*

How do I get the complainant's Facebook comments into evidence? Can I keep the state from using that Instagram photo of my client with all those drugs? What about that cell tower triangulation stuff? As technology grows exponentially, lawyers and courts are struggling to keep up with the plethora of evidence it produces. Participants will examine concepts of privacy and public access that influence how courts are making decisions involving these new technologies and explore how we can still leverage old legal standards like the best evidence rule, authentication, and the rule of completeness. Knowing more about these concepts than the prosecutor or the judge can make all the difference in your litigation.

Kellogg II **Handle with Care: Defender Strategies for Using Trauma** *Carly Baetz / Eduardo Ferrer*

Being a trauma-informed defense attorney is one thing, but how do we translate that information into action in the courtroom? In this workshop, participants will use real-life case scenarios to walk through the various ways a client's trauma impacts their case and to strategize how to use information about your client's trauma experience and when to keep it quiet. Participants will also explore ways to effectively educate other stakeholders and maximize client resilience. Using framing theory, we will examine how to change the narratives about youth and how to shift public safety arguments for the benefits of our clients, and ultimately develop a plan of action for answering the age-old question: "How do I get my judge and prosecutors to understand?"

Governors IV **"Here Comes That Kid": Defending the "Notorious" Client** *Christina Gilbert / Whitney Untiedt*

Have you had a high-profile client? What about a client who has come before the same judge multiple times? A client in a small town where everyone knows everyone's business? Ever struggled with how to zealously advocate for a client whose reputation precedes them? This session will engage participants in a facilitated discussion of how to approach the defense of different newsworthy or notorious types—and stereotypes—of cases. Facilitators and participants will confront challenges and develop strategies for defending these cases at different stages of the proceedings, and review practice tips on whether, when, and how to engage with the media.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018**4:30 - 6:00 PM AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS****State I Puttin' on the Writs: Appealing When You Don't Have a Right to Appeal***Amanda Powell / Ariel Test*

Are you dejected? Do you feel beaten down? Does the system seem broken, sometimes lawless, and do you feel powerless to change it? This session will dig up and dust-off writs from across the country to explore how to use writ practice as a powerful tool to (sometimes) win, shift power in the courtroom, and shine a spotlight on issues that seem to evade traditional litigation and appellate review. Join us for an overview and review of real-life juvenile court writ practice. Participants will brainstorm how attorneys can use writs to help resolve some of the most elusive problems juvenile defenders face.

State II Redefining "Juvenile" Betsy Clarke / Jeree Thomas / Kim Thomas

In this workshop, attendees will explore the range of ways jurisdictions define "juvenile," learn how advocates and attorneys are reshaping the definition of juvenile in states across the country, develop or enhance ideas for their state and/or national work, and make connections with colleagues advancing change on topics relevant to their work. The session will cover litigation, research, policy development, and legislative reform on a range of topics that impact juvenile court jurisdiction, including competency statutes, efforts to raise the minimum age of delinquency and the minimum age of transfer, campaigns to raise the age of juvenile court jurisdiction to 18 and beyond, and increased attention to issues of emerging adults. Presenters will focus on the strategies behind progress over the past decade and discuss current policy and litigation opportunities. Reforms in Illinois and Michigan will serve as case examples, but presenters will also discuss national trends.

State III Tearing Down Obstacles: Reentry Civil Legal Services Partnerships*Julia Alanen / Greg Bingham / Sabrina Forte / Carrie Gilbert*

Juvenile court involvement can derail a young person's housing, education, and employment prospects, yet most young people in the juvenile justice system do not have access to meaningful post-disposition representation. This workshop will provide an overview of best practices for post-disposition representation of youth and a discussion of the direct and indirect collateral consequences most often faced by youth re-entering their communities following juvenile justice system involvement. The session will highlight two holistic reentry programs, one in Ohio and one in California, that offer different examples of collaboration and post-disposition service delivery. Participants will explore a variety of funding strategies and practical steps to incorporate holistic advocacy and reentry planning into their work.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018

9:00 -10:45 AM **PLENARY** | MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

Criminalizing Language: Defending Youth Threats Cases

Moderator: *Randee Waldman*

Panelists: *Amanda Bear / Johanna Miller / Nubia Peña / Gwyneth Rost*

Bantering, blustering, and verbal bravado are often part of the adolescent experience. But these days, everyone is on high alert for threatening behavior, particularly in school settings. School officials, police, and prosecutors are taking an increasingly hard line—zero tolerance—against the language young people use, interpreting it as threats. This panel will examine the legal split around the country on what constitutes a “true threat” under the First Amendment and how normative language and behavioral development can inform a youth-are-different approach to the analysis. Panelists will also explore negotiation and mitigation strategies and how civil actions related to educational rights can positively influence the defense of these cases.

11:00-12:30 PM MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS

State II **Back to School: Breaking Down Barriers to Your Clients’ Educational Success**

Serena Holthe / Tiffany Sizemore

School and educational issues significantly impact the zealous representation of any young person, from pre-trial through reentry. This workshop will focus on how juvenile court involvement may affect a young person’s educational trajectory and explore creative methods of mitigating harms. We will discuss school notification laws, school pushout, denial of school reentry following placement, denial of full credit for coursework completed while in placement, potential barriers to higher education, and how racial and ethnic disparities in juvenile court and local school discipline practices exacerbate collateral consequences. Facilitators will assist participants in identifying problems and potential solutions in their local jurisdictions.

Kellogg I **Beyond *Miranda*: Suppressing Statements on Other Grounds** *Randy Hertz*

While *Miranda* violations are often the first way defenders think about suppressing a youth’s statement, there are a host of other legal attacks we can make. Constitutionally, there are Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Amendment challenges. Under the rules of evidence, we can attack relevance, hearsay, and prejudice outweighing the probative value of the statement. And discovery litigation and challenges based on statutory requirements—such as recording, the right to an interpreter, or parental presence—are also ripe for blocking the admissibility of statements. Participants will explore these concepts and more, building a toolbox designed to keep the state from using our clients as witnesses against themselves.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018**11:00 - 12:30 PM MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS****Governors III Cell Phones in Schools: Pushing the Boundaries of Searches***Barbara Fedders / Randee Waldman*

Our clients' cell phones and other digital devices often contain a trove of personal information that can be incriminating in both delinquency and school suspension proceedings. Often, these devices are seized from our clients during the school day. Relying on *T.L.O. v. New Jersey* and its state analogs, judges are often reluctant to grant motions to suppress for seizures that occur in school. But all is not lost! In this session, we will provide an overview of recent federal caselaw and how it can inform defense of our clients in motions to suppress and the prosecutor's case in chief, discuss unique issues at the intersection of children's rights and digital privacy law, brainstorm ways to fight schools' attempts to use our clients' digital information against them, and develop ways to use what happens in a suspension proceeding as discovery in a delinquency case.

State I Confined Without Cause: The Constitutional Right to Prompt Probable Cause Determinations for Youth*Kristina Kersey / Amanda Powell / Eric Zogry*

In many states, youth are detained for a significant amount of time without any finding of probable cause by the court. Under Supreme Court precedent, the government must make a probable cause determination for detained persons within 48 hours of an arrest, but states do not uniformly apply this 48-hour rule to youth. Some states require the government to make a probable cause determination in cases involving youth within 48 hours or less, in compliance with the constitutional mandate; many other states either exclude weekends and holidays when measuring this period of time or allow the detention of youth absent a probable cause determination for more than 48 hours. Detaining youth without a prompt probable cause hearing—especially over weekends and holidays—is unconstitutional. Presenters will explore how some states have developed systems in compliance with the 48-hour standard and review caselaw and arguments to challenge systems that do not comply.

Governors II The Deportation Funnel: The Nexus Between Schools, Gang Allegations, & Removal*Kasie Lee / Johanna Miller / Nubia Peña*

Can a school suspension prompted by suspected gang activity lead to an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) referral? How does the presence of school resource officers increase the likelihood of deportation? Are schools located in designated safe havens secure from ICE activity? School discipline and school-based arrests or adjudications may become a part of a young person's record. For a noncitizen youth, a record can mean becoming ineligible for renewal of legal status, deportation, or losing out on an immigration benefit like a U visa or Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS). If a youth is detained, probation departments in some states may refer them to ICE directly. This workshop will address how juvenile defenders can counter the use of gang allegations and school discipline, work with communities to interrupt bias, understand immigration consequences before advising our young clients, and increase our clients' access to immigration counsel.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018**11:00 - 12:30 PM MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Kellogg II **Dismantling Transfer** Sue Burrell / Rourke Stacy / Jeree Thomas

In this session, participants will learn to rebut prosecutorial assertions that a case is too serious for juvenile court treatment; be able to affirmatively demonstrate that juvenile court is the right place for your client's case; and have a framework for setting up appellate challenges and policy changes on transfer. Facilitators will share pointers on handling transfer cases involving particular kinds of offenses, such as sex cases, felony murder or accomplice liability cases, and cases with allegations of gang involvement. Participants will also discuss the importance of filing a transfer brief and pursuing appellate challenges. Finally, the session will examine the national context of how advocates and attorneys are pushing back against transfer through legislation and litigation.

Kellogg III **Ensuring Access: Defenders as Policy Advocates for Access to Counsel**
Amy Borrer / Eduardo Ferrer / David Johnson

All children need and deserve access to counsel throughout their contact with the juvenile court system, but no state fully provides for *In re Gault's* constitutional promise of justice for children. No matter where you live, there is room to improve your state's laws regarding children's access to counsel. In this session, we will use *Ensuring Access: A Policy Advocacy Toolkit* to engage in interactive dialogue about how to advocate for early, automatic appointment of free representation that continues through post-disposition and help you plan how to improve your state's laws, rules, or other policies that hinder youth rights. Whether you're new to policy advocacy work or a veteran, we'll meet you where you are and help you strategize the best way to make *Gault* a reality for all youth in your state's juvenile court system.

Governors IV **In Defense of Rap: The (In)admissibility of Artistic Expression as Evidence**
Andrea Dennis / Kristin Henning

Have you ever represented a client who posts lyrics from rap songs on their social media pages? Or makes music videos and posts them on YouTube? Or appears in the background of rap videos made by their friends? If so, word to the wise: prosecutors may treat any of these as confessional evidence, a threat, or proof of guilty intent, knowledge, or motive—even though these forms of self-expression are often more fiction, bravado, and art than reliable truth. This prosecutorial practice is decades old, but the internet and social media have made combating it more urgent than ever. This workshop will help defenders argue against the evidentiary admissibility of rap lyrics and other artistic and social media self-expression at trial. Participants will explore several cases from federal and state courts and examine the applicability of evidence rules governing relevance, prejudice, character, other acts, and experts, and consider possible constitutional challenges, including First Amendment and due process. Finally, participants will strategize ways to defend their client if the evidence is admitted. In addition to legal knowledge, defenders will leave this session with a multi-disciplinary understanding of the poetics of rap, the history of racial narratives at trial, and the contemporary social science demonstrating bias against rap music and lyricists.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018**11:00 - 12:30 PM MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

State III **Suing the Government** *Jody Owens / Paloma Wu / George Yeannakis*

The ability to sue the government on behalf of children to enforce their constitutional rights is a powerful but limited tool, and it can have unintended consequences. This workshop provides an overview of potential approaches to addressing—and answering—foundational questions such as: when to sue and when to focus on policy solutions, how to investigate the nature and scope of a government-created problem, who to sue, how to determine who your plaintiffs are, how to identify potential legal theories, how to target a desirable/avoid an undesirable remedy, and how to predict and account for potential unintended outcomes. This workshop will use case examples and participatory small groups to review relevant legal principles and fact investigation methods that can be deployed by defenders and advocates to press their clients' causes when faced with government failures—including in non-court settings and outside of the civil rights litigation context. Finally, the workshop will address possible topics of constitutional litigation on behalf of children under juvenile and adult court jurisdiction.

Governors I **Vicarious Trauma & Self-Care** *Meghan Johnson / Sandra Simkins*

Attorneys have an ethical responsibility to practice self-care to ensure competent representation of youth and individuals who have experienced trauma. This workshop will define and discuss vicarious trauma and burnout within the context of systemic issues and organizational dynamics, and demonstrate how these common responses negatively impact professional integrity and competence without the practice of self-care. Presenters will provide specific strategies for improved self-care and resources for participants to use after the conference to enhance self-care skills.

1:30 - 3:00 PM AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Governors III **Addressing Collateral Consequences: Helping Youth Create Pathways to Success** *Serena Holthe / Aazia-Marie Ross / Sonia Slone*

Juvenile court involvement (arrest, charge, or adjudication) can create significant barriers to a young person's employment, housing, and educational opportunities. With a particular focus on the range of fines and fees assessed in juvenile court, participants will review the breadth of juvenile court collateral consequences and explore strategies for working with youth to build pathways to success. Participants will learn from a young person with lived experience managing the consequences of juvenile court and discuss how juvenile defenders can help prevent, mitigate, and navigate these hurdles.

Governors I **Can Your Client Aid in Their Defense?** *Angela Chang / Cait Mullen / Elana Roffman*

Capacity or competency to stand trial is a common concern when a youth faces charges in delinquency court, and it requires juvenile defenders to know the laws in their jurisdiction, how to secure appropriate and relevant evaluations and manage deficient ones, and how to effectively consult with an expert. This session will discuss strategies for interviewing clients, ethical and strategic considerations when capacity or competency is a potential issue, the process of consulting with experts and social workers, and what to do when you do not have access to needed resources.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018**1:30 - 3:00 PM AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS****Governors II Defending Juvenile Sex Cases & Challenging Registration Requirements***Laura Cohen / Nicole Pittman / Riya Saha Shah*

Although only 17 states are in “substantial compliance” with federal sex offender registration requirements, 38 states register youth in some capacity. A bipartisan approach to legislatively eliminating youth registration is underway, but states will likely continue to register youth until the constitutionality of youth registration requirements—including their ineffectiveness and harm—is litigated. Although there is limited caselaw addressing the constitutionality of youth registration, creative claims raised at the trial level can change the tides. Juvenile defenders are integral to a strategic and coordinated movement; we have the ability to raise constitutional challenges to registration schemes at the trial level and through appeal. Using hypothetical scenarios, participants will develop strategies on how to use research and policy arguments to raise constitutional challenges to sex offender registration for young clients. Participants will also brainstorm how to use these litigation strategies in sex offense cases where registration may not be at issue and identify ways to challenge the criminalization of normative adolescent sexual exploration and the reliance on flawed risk assessment tools.

State II Defense Beyond the Courtroom: Innovative Models of Post-Disposition Advocacy for Youth in Placement*Amy Karozos / Clare Kruger / Brittany Mobley / Joel Wieneke*

Post-disposition advocacy creates critical opportunities to both protect the rights of children drawn into the deep end of the juvenile justice system and ensure access to the resources they may need, particularly for youth in placement. The District of Columbia’s Public Defender Service’s Juvenile Services Program and Indiana Public Defender Council’s Juvenile Defense Project exist in two very different systems, each with their own strengths and unique challenges. Both have developed successful models for working with children in detention and at post-disposition facilities. Presenters will discuss their programs’ structures and how their models were developed. Participants will explore challenges and limitations to post-disposition defender advocacy and discuss lessons learned. Participants will also examine concrete ideas and recommendations to develop a post-disposition model in their own state, county, or city. The workshop will also cover how to develop collaborative relationships with corrections systems, community partners, and other stakeholders, as well as funding issues and opportunities.

State III Five Ways Juvenile Defenders Can Use Data*Aneesa Khan / Olajumoke Obayanju / Melissa Sickmund*

Juvenile defenders can be more effective advocates if they know what data exists and how to understand and make use of it. Join this workshop to learn ways you can use data to ensure youth are treated fairly, promote positive outcomes, support effective practices, hold the system accountable, and monitor system improvements. Participants will access online data across juvenile court systems, and will specifically find racial disparities data at the local, state, and national levels. Bring your laptop or other device to this interactive how-to session and learn how to find what you need and how to translate results to enhance your juvenile defense advocacy.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018**1:30 - 3:00 PM AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Kellogg III **An Interactive How-To on Introducing Evidence** *Pamela Jones / Wendy Wolf*

Have you ever gotten tongue-tied while trying to get a photograph into evidence? Has the prosecutor in your case ever failed to show chain of custody? Did you forget to make the objection? If you answered yes to any of those questions, join us for this trial skills workshop on how to introduce pieces of evidence and make and respond to objections. The workshop will review the fundamentals of introducing exhibits and a summary of the law. There will also be interactive exercises where participants, working in groups, will have the opportunity to play the role of the judge or the attorney in an evidentiary hearing.

Kellogg I **Objection! Hearsay! Blocking Out-of-Court Statements & Using the Confrontation Clause** *Randy Hertz*

Hey, that violates the Confrontation Clause! Ever feel like these words don't have much meaning in your courtroom? The rules of evidence and caselaw seem to be chipping away at hearsay and the right to confront an accuser more and more every day. But many of the "justifications" for these exceptions or shortcuts are outdated, lack scientific foundation, and simply don't make sense anymore. It's time for a litigation revolution around these concepts. Participants in this workshop will explore new (and sometimes old) ideas for blocking out-of-court statements of state witnesses.

Kellogg II **Policing the ER: Unfettered Investigations in Hospitals** *Ji Seon Song*

Police investigations often take place in a hospital's emergency room, but courts and other legal actors have given limited attention to their pervasive presence and the ways doctors and nurses cooperate, defer, and acquiesce to police action. Ultimately, this leads to an expansion of police discretion in a place where people, particularly youth, feel vulnerable and insecure. In this workshop, we will explore how the emergency room has become an exceptional space for the purpose of Fourth Amendment jurisprudence. In addition to doctrinal analysis, the workshop will provide litigants with information about HIPAA and other privacy rights, the roles and ethical obligations of medical personnel, and how police agencies and hospitals administratively deal with law enforcement and medical interactions. Through the use of case studies, participants will explore how, through discovery, investigation, and litigation, defenders can push for greater constitutional protections.

State I **Stepping into a New Arena: The Power of Defenders as State Reform Advocates** *Elizabeth Calvin / David Johnson / LeAnn Jones / Trent Wetta*

Defenders can advocate outside the courtroom, too. Defense attorneys are well-placed to influence legislators and the public on juvenile justice policy reform in areas like detention, direct file and transfer, diversion, and length of juvenile court involvement. This seminar will be presented by defenders and a policy advocate from four states with recent reform efforts: California, Kansas, Kentucky, and Utah. The session will highlight how front-line defenders can influence reform in their state, ensure reforms are followed in their courts, and use legislation to benefit their clients. Real-world successes and challenges from the four jurisdictions will guide a dynamic conversation with participants, highlighting specific friction areas and possible solutions from attendees. Attendees will leave with a framework of legislative change, tools to ensure those changes, and success stories to bolster their in- and out-of-courtroom advocacy for reform efforts.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018

1:30 - 3:00 PM AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Governors IV Walk a Mile in Their Shoes: The System from Your Clients' Perspectives

Brian Blalock / Angela Vigil

Youth involved in the juvenile court process frequently travel through myriad public systems (for example, education, probation, healthcare, and public benefits) that are often thought of as distinct. And many, if not all, of these youth have experienced high levels of trauma, violence, instability, and loss, making the navigation of the juvenile court system even more difficult. This session will use experiential learning to increase participants' understanding and awareness of how children experience the court system, with a focus on the legal entitlements underlying these systems. This workshop will incorporate role play and integrative learning, as participants will simulate the daily experiences of youth with court involvement and explore what it is like to be a young person with juvenile court system involvement. We will discuss best practices in child-advocacy models and examine methods for screening, intake, and representation with a focus on the experience and needs of youth moving through various services and systems. At the end of the workshop, participants will identify and share best practices they can take back to their jurisdiction to improve their effectiveness working with young people.

3:15 - 4:45 PM PLENARY | MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

Checking the System: Defender Approaches to Racial Justice

Keynote: *James Forman, Jr.*

Moderator: *Kristin Henning*

Panelists: *Brooke Burns / Margaret Johnson / Kimberly Jones Merchant / Eric Zogry*

The pervasive racial disparities and injustices in our juvenile courts demand juvenile defense attention. Professor James Forman, Jr. will discuss his Pulitzer Prize winning book, *Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America*, and offer strategies to end the mass incarceration of youth. Panelists will then explore what juvenile defenders and offices can do and are doing to advance racial justice in the courtroom and in our offices. Participants will hear about how to conduct an organizational assessment on racial justice and will learn about concrete efforts to create fairness and equity within our juvenile courts.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018

9:30 - 11:00 AM PLENARY | MINNESOTA GRAND BALLROOM

It's Child Abuse: Defending Juvenile Sex Cases & Challenging Registration Requirements

Moderator: *Laura Cohen*

Panelists: *Nicole Pittman / Riya Saha Shah / Patty Wetterling*

Roughly 200,000 of the individuals currently on sex offender registries nationwide went on those registries as children. Registration stigmatizes and isolates children, subjecting them to vigilante violence, homelessness, loss of education and employment, and severe psychological harm. A 2017 study found that children on the registry are much more likely to be approached by an adult for sex, thereby perpetuating the cycle of sexual harm, and that one in five attempt suicide. So why do 38 states still list children, some as young as ten, on sex offender registries? Panelists will discuss this question and the impact registration has had on young people across the country, survey legislative and litigation efforts to scale back harsh registration schemes, and explore tools and innovative research defenders can use to push back against registration requirements in the courtroom.

BIOGRAPHIES

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Jarrett Adams is an attorney and member of NJDC's Board of Directors. At the age of 17, Jarrett was sentenced to a 28-year prison term for sexual assault. The Wisconsin Innocence Project filed a federal habeas petition that was ultimately granted by a unanimous Seventh Circuit panel. The state dismissed all charges, and Jarrett was released in 2007. Jarrett went on to earn his associate's degree in 2010, bachelor's degree in 2012, and law degree from Loyola Law School in 2015. Jarrett then clerked for the same Seventh Circuit that overturned his conviction and became a Post-Conviction Litigation Fellow with the Innocence Project. In 2017, Jarrett launched the Law Offices of Jarrett Adams, PLLC, a firm specializing in criminal defense and civil rights matters.

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Greg Bingham serves as the Director of Community Juvenile Justice at Lighthouse Youth Services, where he oversees juvenile justice programs for clients in various stages of engagement with juvenile court ranging from diversion to reentry programming. Greg has extensive background working with youth who are reentering the community from short- or long-term residential treatments and youth who were incarcerated in state-run facilities. He began as a therapist and was promoted to Director. Since becoming Director, Greg has focused on incorporating and improving evidenced-based treatments while engaging clients with communities, school, and family to improve holistic care. He has an MSW and a master’s in Organizational Management.

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Brian Blalock is the Law and Policy Director at Tipping Point Community, where he looks at systemic funding issues that create barriers to entitled services and works collaboratively with public system, provider, and advocate partners to foster workable solutions to complex problems related to poverty. Prior to joining Tipping Point, Brian was the founder and director of the Youth Justice Project (YJP) at Bay Area Legal Aid, where he provided civil legal services and direct representation to youth under the age of 25 involved in the delinquency, dependency, and homelessness systems. Brian has worked as a religious affairs consultant, a fight trainer, and a public school teacher in south Bronx and has graduate degrees from Columbia and Harvard and a J.D. from Stanford Law School.

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Amy Borrer is a consultant specializing in juvenile justice, criminal justice, and indigent defense systems. She served in policy, communications, and leadership roles for Ohio’s legislature, state bar association, and state public defender for 18 years before becoming a consultant for NJDC. Amy developed and led dozens of efforts to reform juvenile justice and indigent defense policy in Ohio, which resulted in changes to Ohio laws, court rules, and administrative codes. She has provided expert testimony before state legislatures and the U.S. Congress, and has trained defense attorneys and other advocates on effective policy advocacy and communication at more than 50 conferences.

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Sue Burrell is the Policy and Training Director for the Pacific Juvenile Defender Center (PJDC). She began her career handling criminal appeals and trial work, eventually becoming the juvenile appellate/training specialist for the Los Angeles County Public Defender. Sue then spent 28 years at the San Francisco-based Youth Law Center, focusing on systemic reform. Using civil rights litigation and legislation, Sue has worked to stem abuses, assure fairness, reduce incarceration, and shift policy toward producing better outcomes for youth. She has worked with NJDC since its inception and led California in MacArthur's Juvenile Indigent Defense Action Network. At PJDC, she has been involved in legislation incorporating adolescent development principles into California's transfer laws, a voter initiative banning direct filing, and amicus work in transfer cases.

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MELVIN CARTER

Melvin Carter is the current Mayor of Saint Paul and has been working to engage, enfranchise, and uplift people not only in Saint Paul, but across the state and the nation. Prior to taking office, he served as Executive Director of the Minnesota Children's Cabinet, advising Governor Mark Dayton on early childhood policy. One of Mayor Carter's top priorities is building safer neighborhoods from the ground up by hiring police officers that reflect the city's diversity; have a stake in the neighborhoods they patrol; are trained in de-escalation techniques and connected to social workers, mental health providers, and crisis prevention counselors so they can help people in crisis; and who ultimately protect and serve all of us. Mayor Carter is also deeply committed to investing in comprehensive support systems for Saint Paul's children and families, including essential health services and affordable housing.

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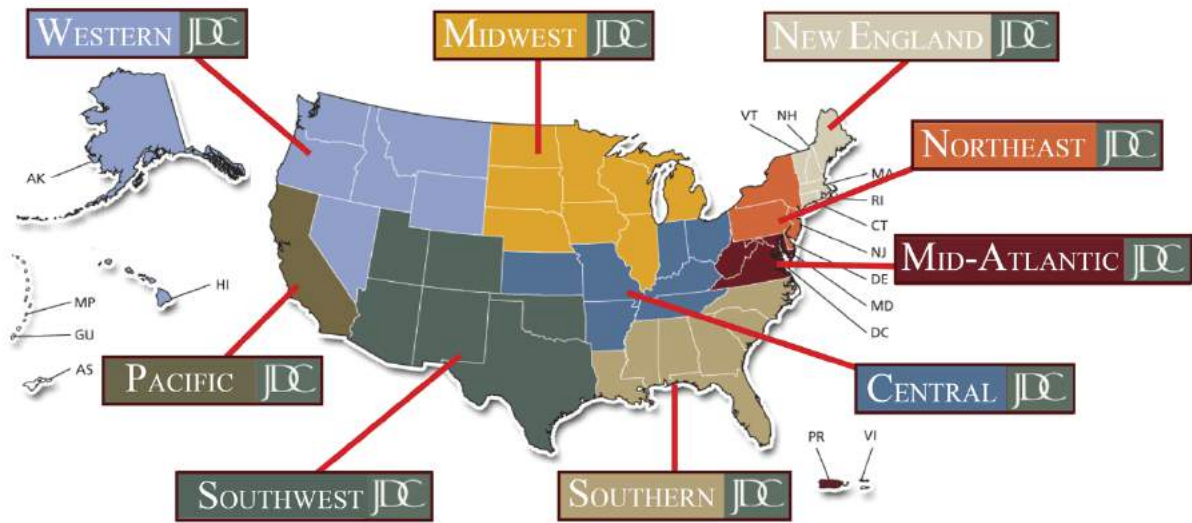
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