2018 National Conference on Juvenile Justice
San Diego, California ~ March 18 - 21, 2018

Program Schedule

Sunday, March 18, 2018
1:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Conference Registration, Membership, and Information
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  Film Screening: They Call Us Monsters
                       Benjamin Lear, Producer/Director, Bunim/Murray Productions
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Welcome Reception and Exhibits Networking

Monday, March 19, 2018
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8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.  Conference Welcome and Keynote Address - Resilience in Recovery
                       Judge Anthony (Tony) Capizzi, Montgomery County Juvenile Court, Dayton, OH
                       Joey Orduña Hastings, Chief Executive Officer, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
                       Devin Reaves, MSW, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Harm Reduction Coalition, PA
9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Conference Break & Networking
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Sessions A-1 - A-6

A-1  The Judiciary Role in Promoting Police and Youth Engagement
    Kevin Bethel, MS, Youth Justice Fellow, Stoneleigh Foundation, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA
    Judge Joan Byer (Ret.), Bowles & Byer Family Law Mediation, Louisville, KY
    Scott Pestridge, MPP, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Program, Washington, DC
    Chief Judge Steven Teske, Juvenile Court Judge, Clayton Judicial Circuit, Jonesboro, GA

A-2  Judicial Alternatives to Certifying Youth As Adults
    Miriam Krinsky, Children's Law Center of Los Angeles, Monterey Park, CA
    Marcy Mistrett, MA, Chief Executive Officer, Campaign for Youth Justice, Washington, DC
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A-3 Special Immigrant Juvenile Status: Newest Tips, Tools, Bench Book and Best Practices for Judges
Judge Ramona Gonzalez, Circuit Court Judge, La Crosse County Circuit Court, La Crosse, WI
Leslye Orloff, JD, Adjunct Professor, Director, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project, American University, Washington, DC

A-4 Juvenile Mental Health Courts: Specialized Dockets
Supporting Youth with Mental Illness

A-5 Achieving Positive Outcomes for Crossover Youth through Youth and Family Engagement
Judge Douglas Johnson, Douglas County Separate Juvenile Court, Omaha, NE

A-6 Cultural Responsivity and Competency
Tiana Davis, MSW, Policy Director for Equity and Justice, Center For Children’s Law and Policy, Washington, DC
George Tsagaris, Ph.D., LISW-S, MS, Assistant Professor, Cleveland State University, School of Social Work, Cleveland, OH

11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Conference Break & Networking

11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
Sessions B-1 - B-6

B-1 10 Juvenile Justice Trends You Should Know About-And How To Stay Current
Melissa Sickmund, Ph.D., Director, National Center for Juvenile Justice, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Pittsburgh, PA

B-2 Your Future is S.A.F.E with Us: Countering Juvenile Crime Rates through Truancy Intervention
Judge Charles Stephens II, Comal County Court at Law #2, New Braunfels, TX

B-3 Access to Juvenile Justice Irrespective of Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression
Justice Jay Blitzman, First Justice, Middlesex Division of the Massachusetts Juvenile Court, Lowell, MA
Christina Gilbert, Esq., Staff Attorney and Policy Counsel, National Juvenile Defender Center, Washington, DC

B-4 Tips & Tools from the Field: Preventing Teen Pregnancy in Juvenile Justice & Dependency Courts
JeNeen Anderson, MPH, The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy, Washington, DC
Judge Dan Kellogg, Buchanan County Juvenile Court, Saint Joseph, MO

B-5 Addressing Racial and Ethnic Disparities in a Juvenile Treatment Court
Judge Anthony (Tony) Capizzi, Montgomery County Juvenile Court, Dayton, OH
Jeff Kretschmar, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor, Managing Director, Begun Center for Violence Prevention Research and Education, Cleveland, OH
Tricia Lucido, LCDC III, Drug Court Supervisor, Montgomery County Juvenile Court, Dayton, OH

B-6 Technology and Teen Dating Violence: Two-Part Series
Ian Harris, JD, Technology Safety Legal Manager, Safety Net Project National Network to End Domestic Violence, Washington, DC
Judge Marshall Murray, Circuit Court Judge, Milwaukee County District Court, Milwaukee, WI

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12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.  Lunch - On Your Own

1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.  General Session: Probation Reform Efforts

   Stephen Bishop, Senior Associate, Juvenile Justice Strategy Group, Annie E. Casey Foundation, Baltimore, MD

2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  Conference Break & Networking

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  Sessions C-1 - C-6

   C-1  Child Sex Trafficking Indicators and Responses for Judicial Officials

   Cynthia Pappas, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Washington, DC
   Yasmin Vafa, JD, Executive Director, Rights4Girls, Washington, DC

   C-2  Why Do We Drug Test Youth on Probation Anyway?

   Martha-Elin Blomquist, Ph.D., Site Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
   Jessica Pearce, Site Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
   Wendy Schiller, Site Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Pittsburgh, PA

   C-3  The Kids’ Court School: Remediating Juvenile Competency to Stand Trial

   Rebecca Nathanson, Ph.D., James Rogers Professor of Education & Law, William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV

   C-4  Developing State and Tribal Partnerships

   C-5  Don’t Say "Extracurricular", Say "Pro-social" Because Court-involved Kids Deserve Normalcy

   Judge Louis Trosch Jr., District Court Judge, Mecklenburg County, 26th Judicial District, Charlotte, NC

   C-6  Technology and Teen Dating Violence: Two-Part Series

   Ian Harris, JD, Technology Safety Legal Manager, Safety Net Project National Network to End Domestic Violence, Washington, DC
   Judge Marshall Murray, Circuit Court Judge, Milwaukee County District Court, Milwaukee, WI

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   D-1  Just Kids: When Misbehaving is a Crime

   D-2  Over a Decade of Mandatory Registration: Incorporating What We Have Learned Into Juvenile Court Practices

   Shawn Marsh, Ph.D., Director, Judicial Studies Program, University of Nevada, Reno, NV

   D-3  Implementing Change: The Judiciary’s Crucial Role in Addressing the Intersections of Youth Homelessness and Juvenile Justice

   Judge Joan Byer (Ret.), Bowles & Byer Family Law Mediation, Louisville, KY
   Naomi Smoot, JD, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Washington, DC
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D-4  Court Appointed Youth Advocate (CAYA) Program - Positive Outcomes for Delinquent Youth
Karen Biernacki, Chief Executive Officer, Harmony House/CASA of La Porte, Inc., La Porte, IN

D-5  Translating the Science of Adolescent Development to Sustainable Best Practice: How Does Your Jurisdiction Measure Up?
Jessica Heldman, JD, Associate Executive Director, Robert F. Kennedy National Resource Center for Juvenile Justice, Boston, MA
John Tuell, MA, Executive Director, Robert F. Kennedy National Resource Center for Juvenile Justice, Boston, MA

D-6  Reducing Reliance on Confinement and Improving Community-Based Responses for Girls at Risk of Entering the Juvenile Justice System for Family Violence
Lisa Jacobs, Program Manager, Illinois Models for Change Initiative, Loyola University Chicago, School of Law, Chicago, IL

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Joey Orduña Hastings, Chief Executive Officer, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
Patrick Lee, Captain, Special Operations Commander, Washoe County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division, Reno, NV
Judge Chuck Weller, District Court Judge, 2nd Judicial District Court, Family Division, Department 11, Reno, NV

9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  Conference Break & Networking

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  Sessions E-1 - E-6
E-1  How Common is Crossover and What Can We Do About It?
Estimating Incidence Rates and Implementing Best Practices for Dual System Youth
Carly Dierkhising, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics, Los Angeles, CA
Denise Herz, Ph.D., Professor, Rongxiang Xu College of Health and Human Services, Los Angeles, CA
Barbara Tatem Kelley, MA, M.Ed., Social Science Analyst, Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs, Washington, DC
Magistrate Richard White, Chief Magistrate, Mahoning County Juvenile Court, Youngstown, OH
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E-2 Standards of Care and the Use of Detention for Child Sex Trafficking Victims
Cheri Ely, Director, Juvenile Justice, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
Judge Angela Ellis, Associate Judge, 315th District Court, Houston, TX
Judge Catherine Pratt, Superior Court Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court, Compton, CA
Yasmin Vafa, JD, Executive Director, Rights4Girls, Washington, DC

E-3 Providing Recovery from Intergenerational Trauma and Addiction for American Indian Youth
Karen Medville, Ph.D., American Indian Program Manager, Southern Peaks Regional Treatment Center, Canon City, CO

E-4 WHAT’S AGE GOT TO DO WITH IT: The Implications of Sentencing Juveniles as Adults
Justice Jay Blitzman, First Justice, Middlesex Division of the Massachusetts Juvenile Court, Lowell, MA
Robert Kinscherff, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Doctoral Clinical Psychology Program, William James College, Newton, MA
Jean Trounstine, Professor of Humanities, Middlesex Community College, Tewksbury, MA

E-5 Solutions for Meeting the Needs of LGBTQ Youth in Detention
Todd Brower, JD, Professor of Law, Director, Institute for Global Law & Policy, Western State College of Law, Irvine, CA
Currey Cook, JD, Counsel and Youth in Out-of-Home Care Project Director, Lambda Legal, New York, NY
Ethan Rice, JD, Fair Courts Project Attorney, Lambda Legal, New York, NY

E-6 The Power of Youth Voice in Building a Trauma Informed Court
Judge Jennifer McCrady, 5th Judicial District of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, PA
Cynthia Stoltz, JD, Administrator, Allegheny County Children’s Court, Pittsburgh, PA

11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Conference Break & Networking

11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Sessions F-1 - F-6

F-1 School Safety Research
Teri Deal, M.Ed., Senior Research Associate, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Pittsburgh, PA

F-2 Applying Principles of Adolescent Development in Delinquency Proceedings
Mary Ann Scali, Executive Director, National Juvenile Defender Center, Washington, DC

F-3 Spotlight on State Juvenile Justice Initiatives with a Special Focus on DMC Reduction Efforts
Judge Amy Davenport (Ret.), Superior Judge, Vermont Judiciary, Montpelier, VT
Craig Hargrow, Juvenile Justice/Second Look Commission Director, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth, Nashville, TN

F-4 What Judges Are Doing on the Opioid Epidemic
Martha-Elin Blomquist, Ph.D., Site Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
Judge Anthony (Tony) Capizzi, Montgomery County Juvenile Court, Dayton, OH
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F-5 On-Base and Beyond: Negotiating the State/Military Memorandum
   Colonel Mark Sullivan (Ret.), JD, Attorney at Law, Sullivan & Tanner, P.A., Raleigh, NC

F-6 Ending Debtor's Prison for Kids: How Judges Can Alleviate the High Cost of the Juvenile Justice System
   Jessica Feierman, Esq., Supervising Attorney, Juvenile Law Center, Philadelphia, PA
   Judge Katherine Lucero, Superior Court Judge, Santa Clara County Superior Court, San Jose, CA

12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lunch - On Your Own

1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Understanding the Impact of Implicit Bias
   Edward Palmer, Pastor and Chief Executive Officer, Sign of the Dove/R.O.P.E. Inc., Radcliff, KY

2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Conference Break & Networking

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sessions G-1 - G-6
   G-1 Movement, Stillness and Ethics: Enhancing Resilience through Mindfulness
   Judge Victor Reyes (Ret.), Pueblo, CO

G-2 So You Want to Reform Your System?
   Judge William Voy, District Court Judge, 8th Judicial District Court, Family Division, Department A, Las Vegas, NV

G-3 Disproportionality and Disparity: Engaging the Community to be Part of the Solution
   Rachel Bingham, Executive Officer, Family and Juvenile Services Kentucky Court of Justice, Frankfort, KY
   Edward Palmer, Pastor and Chief Executive Officer, Sign of the Dove/R.O.P.E. Inc., Radcliff, KY

G-4 Your Court's Role in Preventing Youth Homelessness
   Linda Britton, JD, Project Director, American Bar Association, Washington, DC

G-5 Juvenile Justice Mental Health Diversion
   Ali Banister, Chief of Juvenile Services, Carson City Juvenile Services, Carson City, NV

G-6 Building Youth Competency
   Jeanne Brandner, MA, Deputy Administrator, Juvenile Services Division, Office of Probation Administration, Lincoln, NE
   Nancy Ramsey, MS, Lead Supervisor, Kenosha County Division of Children and Family Services, Kenosha, WI

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4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Sessions H-1 - H-6
   H-1 Bridging Research and Practice in Juvenile Justice: A Developmental Approach to Youth Probation
   Ronald Quiros, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Specialized Treatment Options Program (S.T.O.P.) Juvenile Drug Court, Seguin, TX
   Jennifer Tyson, Innovation and Research Coordinator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Washington, DC
Reducing the School to Prison Pipeline Through Restorative Justice: What to Do and Not to Do in Forming a Partnership with a Restorative Justice Provider

Technology and Social Media Evidence.... Changing the Essence of Investigations and Trials

Nicole Pittman, JD, Vice President and Director, Center on Youth Registration Reform at Impact Justice, Oakland, CA

Helping Youth and Families Set Achievable, Measurable Goals Through Coordinating Case Planning

Martha-Elin Blomquist, Ph.D., Site Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
Jessica Pearce, Site Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Reno, NV
Wendy Schiller, Site Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Pittsburgh, PA

Interstate Compact for Juveniles 101: Runaways, Returns and More

Anne Connor, Deputy Compact Administrator, Idaho Interstate Compact for Juveniles, Boise, ID
MaryLee Underwood, JD, Executive Director, Interstate Commission for Juveniles, Lexington, KY

Key Elements of an Effective Probation Department

Joyce Salapack, Chief Probation Officer, Stark County Family Court, Canton, OH
Tim Wires, Stark County Family Court, Canton, OH

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Child Sex Offender Registries

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Closing Session: Trauma