

**THE DC CORRECTIONS INFORMATION COUNCIL AND
DC PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE - PRISONER & REENTRY LEGAL SERVICES
PRESENT**

2017 DC Prisoner and Reentry Symposium

A photograph of the United States flag waving on a flagpole against a clear blue sky. The flag is the primary background for the central text.

**THE STATE
OF OUR UNION**

**MARCH 10, 2017 | 9:00AM
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DAVID A. CLARKE SCHOOL OF LAW**



8:30-9:00

Registration and Refreshments

9:00-9:15

Co-Hosts

Michelle Bonner, Director, DC Corrections Information Council (CIC)

Chiquisha Robinson, Prisoner & Reentry Legal Services Manager, Community Defender Division, DC Public Defender Service (PDS)

WELCOME

Mistress of Ceremonies

Jamie Argento Rodriguez, Chief, Community Defender Division, PDS

9:15-10:45

TRANSITION FROM
INCARCERATION TO
THE COMMUNITY

Advocates

Norman Brown, Project New Opportunity

Nokomis Hunter, Free Minds Book Club

Sakeenia Hammond, The W.I.R.E

Service Providers

Paula Thompson, Executive Director, Voices for a Second Chance

Tammy Seltzer, Director, Jail & Prison Project, University Legal Services

Corwin Knight, Founder, The Hope Foundation Reentry Network

Michelle Holmes, Director of Reentry, Community Family Life Services

Tara Libert, Executive Director, Free Minds Book Club

Government Agencies

Alicia Jackson, Community Outreach Specialist, Mayor's Office on Returning Citizen Affairs (MORCA)

Regina Gilmore, Reentry Coordinator, D.C. Department of Corrections

Innovators from Other Jurisdictions

Ivan Downing, Deputy Chief of Security and Facilities, Montgomery County Department of Correction & Rehabilitation, Pre-Release Services Division

Frederick Murphy, Director, City of Newark Office of Reentry

John Koufos, Executive Director, New Jersey Reentry Corporation

10:45-11:00

BREAK

11:00-12:00

Advocate

D. Hawkins-Bey

HOUSING

Service Providers

Michele Faunteroy, Director of Reentry, Catholic Charities

Amber W. Harding, Attorney, The Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless

Cherie Lindsay, Director of Reentry Housing Initiative, Jubilee Housing

Government Agency

Cheryl Robinson, Deputy Director, Housing Choice Voucher Program, AND
Diane Oliver, Customer Service Relations Manager, D.C. Housing Authority

Policy

Sara Pratt, Attorney, Relman, Dane, & Colfax PLLC

Moderator

Avis Buchanan, Director, D.C. Public Defender Service

Government Leaders

Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, Delegate, United States House of Representatives

Kevin Donahue, Deputy Mayor Public Safety and Justice (*invited*)

Councilmember Charles Allen, Chair, Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, DC Council

Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr., DC Council

Nancy Ware, Director, Court Services & Offender Supervision Agency

Quincy Booth, Director, D.C. Department Of Corrections

Commissioner Patricia J. Smoot, Chair, United States Parole Commission

Dr. Patti Butterfield, Senior Deputy Assistant Director, Reentry Services Division, Federal Bureau of Prisons

Advocates

Kevin Smith, D.C. Reentry Task Force

Al Jeter (*tentative*)

Service Providers

Maya Sheppard, Attorney, Neighborhood Legal Services Program

Daniel Pond, Attorney, Prisoner and Reentry Legal Services Program, Community Defender Division, D.C. Public Defender Service

Alicia Jackson, Community Outreach Specialist, MORCA

Joseph Andronaco, CEO-President, Access Green

Government Agencies

Faith Leach, Chief of Staff, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Greater Economic Opportunity (DMGEO)

David Lloyd, Program Analyst, D.C. Department of Employment Services

Robert Leggon, Vocational Development Specialist, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA)

Kate Mereand, Program Manager of Tech & Innovation, Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD)

Monica Palacio, Director, D.C. Office of Human Rights (OHR)

12:00-1:30
LUNCH WITH
GOVERNMENT
LEADERS

1:30-2:45
EMPLOYMENT/
ECONOMIC
OPPORTUNITY

2:45-3:00

BREAK

3:00-4:15

PAROLE AND
COMMUNITY
SUPERVISED
RELEASE

Government Agencies

Trina L. Stewart, Intergovernmental and Community Affairs Specialist, Court Services & Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA)

Steve Husk, Case Operations Administrator, United States Parole Commission (USPC)

Advocates

Monroe Coleman

Hosea Stevens, Free Minds Book Club

Service Providers

Jessica Steinberg, Associate Professor of Clinical Law, Director, Prisoner & Reentry Clinic, The George Washington University Law School

Olinda Moyd, Chief, Parole Division, D.C. Public Defender Service

Rashida Edmondson, Attorney, Parole Division, D.C. Public Defender Service

Reginald Williamson, Attorney, Prisoner & Reentry Legal Services Program, Community Defender Division, D.C. Public Defender Service

4:15-5:00

ROUND TABLE
DISCUSSION

Facilitators

Transition from Incarceration to Community

Michelle Bonner, Director, DC Corrections Information Council (CIC)

Housing

Jamie Argento Rodriguez, Chief, Community Defender Division, PDS

Employment/Economic Opportunity

Philip Fornaci, Director, Employment Justice Center

Parole and Community Supervised Release

Olinda Moyd, Chief, Parole Division, D.C. Public Defender Service

With Gratitude

The CIC and PDS would like to thank the staff and interns of the CIC and PDS-PRLS who have gone above and beyond to help coordinate and facilitate this Symposium. We are grateful to the Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church for their generosity and support to the CIC over the years, which made food and drink possible. We are deeply indebted to the Symposium presenters who freely gave their time and expertise. Last, but not least, thanks to all of the participants of the First Annual DC Prisoner and Reentry Symposium. May we take what we have learned here today to make a better world tomorrow for incarcerated and returning DC residents.