# CAPITAL REGION LEADERSHIP SUMMIT ON SCHOOL-JUSTICE PARTNERSHIPS: KEEPING KIDS IN SCHOOL AND OUT OF COURT

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#### **SUMMIT CONVENER**

**Judith S. Kaye,** former Chief Judge of the State of New York and Chair of the New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children, convened the *Capital Region Leadership Summit on School-Justice Partnerships: Keeping Kids In School and Out of Court* with the encouragement and assistance from a diverse group of partners and supporters.

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The Commission, in partnership with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and New York State United Teachers, is sponsoring this Summit with funding from The Atlantic Philanthropies, DCJS and the New York State Juvenile Justice Advisory Group.

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New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children







Wednesday, November 6, 2013		
8:00-9:00 a.m.	Registration/Continental Breakfast	
9:00 a.m.	WELCOMING REMARKS	
	ANDREW PALLOTTA, Executive Vice President, New York State United Teachers	
	HON. JUDITH S. KAYE, Former Chief Judge of the State of New York and Chair of the New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children	
	HON. P. DAVID SOARES, Albany County District Attorney	
9:30 a.m.	SETTING THE STAGE: Unintended Consequences of School-Justice Practices	
10:15 a.m.	PLENARY 1: New York City School-Justice Partnership Task Force: Report and Recommendations	
10:30 a.m.	PLENARY 2: Measuring School Climate and Promoting the Whole School- Community Improvement Efforts	
11:10 a.m.	PLENARY 3: Collaborative Model for School Arrest Diversion	
11:50 p.m.	PLENARY 4: Educational Engagement for Re-Entry and Court-Involved Youth	
12:30-1:45 p.m.	PICK UP BOXED LUNCH AND GO TO BREAKOUT SESSION I	
	A. Measuring School Climate and Promoting the Whole School-Community Improvement Efforts	
	B. Collaborative Model for School Arrest Diversion	
	C. Educational Engagement for Re-Entry and Court-Involved Youth	
1:55 p.m.	PLENARY 5: Model Discipline Code and Restorative Justice	
2:35 p.m.	PLENARY 6: Best Practices for School Safety and Student Interaction	
3:15-4:30 p.m.	PICK UP SNACK AND GO TO BREAKOUT SESSION II	
	D. Model Discipline Code and Buffalo's Experience with Code Reform	
	E. Restorative Justice in Action	
	F. Best Practices for School Safety and Student Interaction	



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8:00-9:00 a.m.	REGISTRATION/CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	
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	Speakers	
	<b>CARL REYNOLDS, J.D.,</b> Senior Legal and Policy Advisor, Council of State Governments Justice Center	
	<b>HON. MICHAEL CORRIERO,</b> Executive Director, New York Center for Juvenile Justice, The New York Foundling Fontana Center for Child Protection; Retired Justice, Supreme Court Criminal Term, New York County	
10:15-10:30 a.m.	PLENARY 1: New York City School-Justice Partnership Task Force: Report and Recommendations	
	Speaker	
	<b>KATHLEEN DECATALDO, ESQ.,</b> Executive Director, New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children	
10:30-11:10 a.m.	PLENARY 2: School Climate Reform and Promoting the Whole School- Community Improvement Efforts	
	Speakers/Moderator	
	<b>RICHARD CARDILLO, M.A.,</b> Director of Education, for the National School Climate Center (Moderator/Speaker)	
	JANICE CHU-ZHU, Senior Director of National Capacity Building, The National Center for Community Schools, The Children's Aid Society	

Time	Activity	
11:10-11:50 p.m.	PLENARY 3: Collaborative Model for School Arrest Diversion	
	Speakers/Moderator	
	<b>HON. STEVEN C. TESKE,</b> Chief Judge, Juvenile Court, Clayton County, GA (Moderator/Speaker)	
_	ABBY ANDERSON, Executive Director, Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance	
11:50-12:30 p.m.	PLENARY 4: Educational Engagement for Re-Entry and Court-Involved Youth	
	Speakers/Moderator	
	<b>TIMOTHY LISANTE, PH.D.,</b> Superintendent, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education (Moderator/Speaker)	
	<b>CHRISTINE PAHIGIAN, M.P.A.,</b> Executive Director, Friends of Island Academy Planning	
12:30-12:45 p.m.	PICK UP BOXED LUNCH AND GO TO BREAKOUT SESSION I	
12:45-1:45 p.m.	BREAKOUT SESSION I	
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#### A. MEASURING SCHOOL CLIMATE AND PROMOTING THE WHOLE SCHOOL-COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT EFFORTS (CONFERENCE ROOM A)

#### **Speakers**

**RICHARD CARDILLO, M.A.,** Director of Education, for the National School Climate Center (Moderator/Speaker)

JESSICA SAVAGE, J.D., Legal and Policy Fellow, National School Climate Center

**JANICE CHU-ZHU,** Senior Director of National Capacity Building, The National Center for Community Schools, The Children's Aid Society

#### B. COLLABORATIVE MODEL FOR SCHOOL ARREST DIVERSION (AUDITORIUM)

#### **Speakers**

HON. STEVEN C. TESKE, Chief Judge, Juvenile Court, Clayton County, GA (Moderator/Speaker)

ABBY ANDERSON, Executive Director, Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance

## C. EDUCATIONAL ENGAGEMENT FOR RE-ENTRY AND COURT-INVOLVED YOUTH (CONFERENCE ROOM C)

#### **Speakers**

**STACEY OLIGER-PAYAMPS,** Deputy Director, External Relations, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education (Moderator/Speaker)

**ALEX PEDERSON,** School Business Manager, East River Academy, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education

Time	Activity
1:45-1:55 p.m.	RETURN TO PLENARY
1:55-2:35 p.m.	PLENARY 5: Model Discipline Code and Restorative Justice
	Speakers/Moderator
	<b>LIZ SULLIVAN-YUKNIS, M.P.P.,</b> Director, Human Right to Education Program, National Economic and Social Rights Initiative (Moderator/Speaker)
	<b>JOHN BAILIE, PH.D.,</b> Assistant Professor, Director of Continuing Education, International Institute for Restorative Practices
2:35-3:15 p.m.	PLENARY 6: Best Practices for School Safety and Student Interaction
	Speakers/Moderator
	<b>JOSHUA LAUB,</b> Director of Youth Development, District 88, New York City Department of Education (Moderator/Speaker)
	L. KELLY JOHNSON, Deputy Director, Support & Special Services, School Safety Division, Community Affairs Bureau, NYPD
	JAIME KOPPEL, M.P.A., Atlantic Philanthropies Senior Fellow
	LYNN SANCHEZ, Parent Leader, New Settlement Apartments Parent Action Committee and NYC Coalition for Educational Justice
3:15-3:30 p.m.	PICK UP SNACK AND GO TO BREAKOUT SESSION II

Time	Activity
3:30-4:30 p.m.	BREAKOUT SESSION II

## D. MODEL DISCIPLINE CODE AND BUFFALO'S EXPERIENCE WITH CODE REFORM (CONFERENCE ROOM A)

#### **Speakers**

**NATALIE CHAP,** National Coordinator, Dignity in Schools Campaign (Moderator/Speaker)

**JAMES PAYNE,** Activist, Alliance for Quality Education of New York and Citizen Action of New York

#### E. RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IN ACTION (AUDITORIUM)

#### Speaker

**JOHN BAILIE, PH.D.,** Assistant Professor, Director of Continuing Education, International Institute for Restorative Practices

## F. BEST PRACTICES FOR SCHOOL SAFETY AND STUDENT INTERACTION (CONFERENCE ROOM C)

#### **Speakers**

**JAIME KOPPEL, M.P.A.,** Atlantic Philanthropies Senior Fellow (Moderator/Speaker)

**JOSHUA LAUB,** Director of Youth Development, District 88, Office of Safety and Youth Development, New York City Department of Education

**L. KELLY JOHNSON,** Deputy Director, Support & Special Services, School Safety Division, Community Affairs Bureau, NYPD

ERICA AYALA, Youth Leadership Development Associate, Children's Defense Fund-New York



### **Short Introductions**

#### ABBY ANDERSON

MS. ANDERSON became executive director of the Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance (CTJJA) in 2007 and immediately protected hard-won reforms, such as the Raise the Age bill, which removed thousands of teens from adult courts and facilities. She is a member of the Executive Implementation Team overseeing Connecticut's Joint Juvenile Justice Plan between the Judicial Branch and Department of Children and Families and is an official appointee to the legislatively mandated Juvenile Jurisdiction Policy and Operations Coordinating Council. She also co-chairs the state's Keep the Promise Children's Committee. Abby has served as co-chair of the Executive Committee of the National Juvenile Justice Network since 2007.

#### ERICA AYALA

ERICA AYALA is the Youth Leadership Development Associate at the Children's Defense Fund-New York office. Prior to her current role, Ayala worked as the Education Justice Consultant with the CDF-New York office, where she focused on the research, training and facilitation of restorative justice practices in New York City schools. In her role, she collaborated with school administrators, teachers, school safety officers, parents and other community organizations regarding restorative justice. She is in her eighth year of service to the Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools®, where she has served as a Site Coordinator of the Grace CDF Freedom Schools® in Mount Vernon, New York, and Project Director of the Norfolk CDF Freedom Schools® in Norfolk, Virginia. She is also active in the CDF Young Advocate Leadership Training (YALT) program. Erica received a Bachelor's Degree from Elon University, where she studied Political Science with a minor in African-American Studies. While at Elon, Ayala studied abroad in South Africa and conducted a comparative study of anti-apartheid struggles of South Africa and the civil rights movement in the United States. Erica is currently pursuing her Master's of Public Administration at New York University Robert F. Wagner School of Public Service.

#### JOHN BAILIE, PH.D.

JOHN BAILIE is the Director of Continuing Education at the International Institute for Restorative Practices. John Bailie provides restorative practices training and consulting throughout North America and internationally. He has worked with the IIRP's SaferSanerSchools program to bring restorative practices to hundreds of schools, including those in at-risk areas of New York City, Philadelphia and Baltimore. John is a frequent presenter at international conferences and events and appears in several documentaries on restorative practices. His training and consulting work also includes that with juvenile probation and children and youth agencies, as well as churches and religious communities. Having completed graduate level work in theological studies John is well versed in the connection between restorative practices and faith. John is also an experienced restorative conference facilitator in adult and juvenile cases, including those involving felony-level offenses. John spent many years as a counselor for troubled and at-risk youth at a day treatment alternative school operating entirely according to restorative practices. He also helped organize nationwide and community campaigns for economic and social justice in support of the rights of the homeless and the working poor. He specialized in creating and mobilizing community networks and coalitions. John brings to his work a thorough knowledge of labor issues and challenges faced by marginalized communities. John received his master's degree as part of IIRP's first graduating class.

#### RICHARD CARDILLO, M.A.

RICHARD CARDILLO is the Director of Education for the National School Climate Center (NSCC). Rich has over two decades of experience as a classroom teacher, rural community organizer, public spokesperson, founder and administrator for social emotional learning/character education programs, senior member of community-based organizations, fundraiser, college teacher in Perú and developer of community service learning programs. He is a native of New York, fluent in both Spanish and American Sign Language, and brings a social justice perspective and vision to his work. Richard coordinated all NSCC activities with the *Queens School Climate Improvement Program* at 4

NYCDOE elementary and middle schools. Additionally, Richard served on two separate subcommittees of a special task force of the New Jersey State Department of Education to create regulations for the new anti-bullying bill of rights enacted into law this past year. He is the past New York Regional Director of Peace Games (now Peace First), Director of Client Services at God's Love We Deliver in New York and has been a classroom teacher in elementary, middle and high school. Richard received his Masters Degree from Columbia University. Richard also consults to the School Discipline Consensus Project that is supported by the Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center, and the US Justice Department. Presently, Richard is a Board member of the National Alliance for Academic Service Learning (NCASL) and Garden State Equality.

#### NATALIE CHAP

NATALIE CHAP joined The Dignity in Schools Campaign as Campaign Coordinator in July of 2012. In her previous roles, she acted as the Campaign Coordinator of New York Neighbors for American Values, a Community Organizer at Voices of Women Organizing Project, and the Education Reform Associate at the New York Immigration Coalition. She received an MSW from the CUNY Hunter School of Social Work-Community Organizing program in 2007, and received a BSW from CUNY Lehman College in 2006. She was born and raised on the south side of Chicago, and has lived in New York since 2004.

#### JANICE CHU-ZHU

JANICE CHU-ZHU is the Senior Director of National Capacity Building at the National Center for Community Schools, The Children's Aid Society/ Janice Chu-Zhu has been on staff at the Center since 2001. As Senior Director of National Capacity Building, she works with clients interested in adapting and developing community schools in their own communities. Her responsibilities include training, development and consultation on a variety of topics such as partnerships, program quality, parent involvement, organizational capacity, funding and sustainability. Janice's work is documented in her chapter in Community Schools in Action: Lessons from a Decade of Practice. Before joining the Center, she worked in the National Office of the Girl Scouts of the USA, initially as a Pluralism Strategies Consultant for their 319 affiliates and later as the Quality Recognition Manager, overseeing the annual award for best practices. As a licensed social worker, Janice has worked in foster care and the Family Court PINS Program. She also worked as a private consultant for corporations on issues of managing diversity. Janice holds a master's degree in Social Work from Fordham University's Graduate School of Social Service and a Bachelor of Arts in Social Psychology from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

#### HON. MICHAEL CORRIERO

MICHAEL A. CORRIERO is the Executive Director and Founder of the New York Center for Juvenile Justice. He served as the Executive Director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of New York City from July 2008 to July 2010. Prior to that, he served as a Judge in the New York State courts for 28 years. From September of 1992 to February of 2008, Judge Corriero presided over Manhattan's Youth Part, a court set aside within the adult court system to deal exclusively with the cases of 13-, 14-, and 15-year-olds who are charged with the most serious and violent crimes. His court became a model for mobilization and coordination of treatment and social services for children prosecuted in adult courts.

Judge Corriero has testified at state, city and federal legislative hearings on juvenile justice issues and delivered numerous addresses and participated in many state, national, and international conferences. He is the author of a book entitled: Judging Children as Children: A Proposal for a Juvenile Justice System, published by Temple University Press.

#### KATHLEEN DECATALDO, ESO.

KATHLEEN DECATALDO is the Executive Director of the New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children. Under the leadership of its chair, former Chief Judge Judith Kaye, Ms. DeCataldo is responsible for developing and implementing the work of the Commission which aims to improve the lives and life chances of children involved in the court system. Responding to emerging child welfare, juvenile justice and related health, education and other well being issues, Ms. DeCataldo is responsible for the development of materials, training aids and trainings to enhance judicial and other professionals' knowledge and understanding of the issues as a means to better serve children involved with the court system. Ms. DeCataldo advocates for the Commission's agenda by developing legislative, administrative and other reforms; speaking at state, national and public events; and conducting

trainings and forums. Ms. DeCataldo is a member of numerous committees and advisory groups including the Governor's Children's Cabinet Advisory Board, New York City Family Court Administrative Judge Advisory Council and New York State Child Welfare Court Improvement Project Advisory Group.

Prior to coming to the Commission, Ms. DeCataldo served as Assistant Deputy Counsel and Director of Legislation and Special Projects, at the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. Ms. DeCataldo served as the State appointed representative to the Nicholson Review Committee and Co-chair of the statewide collaborative Adoption Now Workgroup. While at OCFS, Ms. DeCataldo was instrumental in the passage of the Permanency Bill, Chapter 3 of the Laws of 2005, and the PINS Diversion law, Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2005. Ms. DeCataldo conducted numerous statewide trainings of court, legal and social services district staff.

Ms. DeCataldo served as Family Court Judge in Schenectady County in 2000. Prior to her appointment to the bench, Ms. DeCataldo was in the private practice of law from 1989 to 2000, with a concentration in Family Court, matrimonial and public sector labor relations practice. As a private practitioner, Ms. DeCataldo's Family Court experience included representation of parents, grandparents, adoptive parents and children as a Law Guardian in neglect/abuse, termination of parental rights, PINS, JD, custody, visitation, adoption and support proceedings. Ms. DeCataldo is a graduate of Albany Law School and the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

#### L. KELLY JOHNSON

DEPUTY DIRECTOR LOUISE KELLY JOHNSON began her career with the New York City Board of Education (BOE), Division of School Safety in September 1984 as a School Safety Officer, she was promoted to Mobile Task Force in 1990; School Safety Sergeant, Training Academy in 1992, School Safety Lieutenant in 1994 and then in 1998 to Captain, Commanding Officer of the Division of School Safety, Inspections Unit.

After 1998 the Board of Education, Division of School Safety merged with the New York City Police Department, Deputy Director Johnson was designated Associate Supervisor School Security II. In 2002, she was promoted to Administrative School Security Manager and then in January of 2008 she was promoted to Deputy Director, Field Operations, Brooklyn/Queens and Staten Island. Deputy Director Johnson is currently the Deputy Director of Support and Special Services (SSD, July 2012).

Deputy Director Johnson has commanded the following School Safety Division Commands; the Commanding Officer of the Inspections/Assessment Unit, Commanding Officer of Manhattan North, Staten Island, and Brooklyn South. In addition, she served as the Executive Officer/Integrity Control Officer for the School Safety Division Manhattan North Borough Command from 2001 through 2002.

Deputy Director Johnson is the parent of two children Christina Maria and Richard Anthony and the proud grandmother of two grandchildren Mia Kathleen and Isaiah Kareem.

#### HON. JUDITH S. KAYE

JUDITH S. KAYE joined Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom as Of Counsel in February 2009. Before joining the firm, for 25 years, three months and 19 days, she served as Judge of New York State's high court, the Court of Appeals, 15 of those years as Chief Judge of the State of New York. She was the first woman named to that bench. Before her appointment, Judge Kaye was associated with Sullivan & Cromwell, IBM, and Olwine, Connelly, Chase, O'Donnell & Weyher, where she became that firm's first female partner. Her practice was essentially in the area of commercial litigation, supplemented by bar association and pro bono activities. She is a graduate of New York University School of Law (cum laude) and Barnard College.

Judge Kaye wrote notable decisions on a wide array of constitutional, statutory and common law issues. As Chief Judge she also left her mark on New York's courts as a creative reformer, centering on improvement in the jury system, the Commercial Division of the State Supreme Court, creation of streamlining procedures for permanency for children, and opening "problem-solving courts" to deal constructively with repeat offenders, offering services for drug treatment, mental health counseling and job training. She is the author of more than 200 publications, including articles on legal process, state constitutional law, women in law and professional ethics.

Her current Board service includes Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, the American Arbitration Association, the Museum of Jewish Heritage, The International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution ("CPR"), Volunteers of Legal Services and the Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children. She also has received numerous awards

recognizing her judicial and scholarly accomplishments, such as the New York State Bar Association's Gold Medal, the ABA Justice Center's John Marshal Award, the National Center for State Courts' William H. Renhquist Award for Judicial Excellence, the American Bar Association Commission on Women in the Profession's Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Adoption Excellence Award. Judge Kaye is the mother of three, and grandmother of seven (ranging in age from 5 to 20).

#### JAIME KOPPEL, M.P.A.

JAIME KOPPEL was recently appointed Atlantic Philanthropies Senior Fellow. In this new role, she is responsible for helping multiple stakeholders fulfill their shared goal of reducing the use of exclusionary school discipline. Jaime will focus especially on justice-related efforts. Previously, Jaime served as the Director of Youth & Education Justice at the Children's Defense Fund - New York. In this role, she supported the efforts of CDF-NY's Youth Justice team, focused on ensuring meaningful education and juvenile justice reforms. Prior to her work at CDF-NY, Jaime served as Chief of Staff for the Executive Deputy Commissioner of New York City's Administration for Children's Services. Jaime was also a New York City Education Pioneers Fellow. While living in Honduras from 2001 - 2003, Jaime founded Bilingual Education for Central America (BECA), a nonprofit organization committed to collaborating with local communities to provide community-run, BECA-staffed and resourced bilingual schools. Jaime has a MPA from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA). At Columbia University she was awarded the Harvey Picker Prize for Public Service for her demonstrated commitment to serving others.

#### JOSHUA LAUB

JOSHUA LAUB is the Director of Youth Development at the Office of Safety and Youth Development for the New York City D.O.E. Laub was born in NYC and attended public schools in Los Angeles and Houston. He earned his Bachelor of Arts at Tufts and a Master of Arts in Teaching at Brown University (1993).

Joshua has served the public school children of New York City since 1994 when he began his teaching career at East Side Community High School. In 1999 he became a staff developer and assistant director at Banana Kelly High school in the South Bronx. He then served as Principal of Banana Kelly for ten years before taking on his current assignment with OSYD in 2011.

Most of Joshua's teaching experience has been in high-need communities. He acquired and practiced his skills working with young people who have not had the opportunity to develop behavioral controls. His greatest strength is in supporting students buffeted by repeated personal, family and/or social failures.

Laub's work focuses on troubled young people and helping them want to rejoin the community. He tries to bring along the adult members of the team needed to make such an effort succeed. For instance, winning over an otherwise capable teacher, who, struggling to make a class work, wants to punish an angry, disruptive child, instead of signing on to the more difficult job of forging a collective strategy to win that child over.

In Joshua's current position at OSYD, he has coordinated an inter-agency task force to support students and schools in turning students around. The goal is to reduce multiple suspensions and decrease arrests of our children, improving their chances of graduating high school. This project will encourage schools to rethink their current practices for young people in transition from a long-term suspension and/or absence. This effort includes training for the adults, supervising mentors for the young people, and connecting the entire team to a wider array or resources and services in the community, including tutoring, housing, health, and employment.

#### TIMOTHY LISANTE, PH.D.

TIMOTHY F. LISANTE has worked within the New York City Public Schools system for the past 35 years. He has a Bachelor's degree and Master's degree in special education and is a long-time volunteer and former director of the Queens Special Olympics. Since 1988, Dr. Lisante he has been a leader in alternative education. He has served as a teacher, assistant principal, and principal at the schools on Rikers Island. He is the Jails Education Chairperson of the Correctional Education Association and is a member of the NYS Juvenile Justice Steering Committee, NYS Alternative Education Steering committee and the NYC Juvenile Justice Advisory Board.

Dr. Lisante is Superintendent of District 79 with oversight for 11 alternative programs including GED prep, Career & Technical Education, residential and youth justice education. Dr. Lisante has served as an adjunct lecturer at Hunter College and currently teaches graduate courses in special education at Brooklyn College.

#### STACEY OLIGER-PAYAMPS

STACEY OLIGER-PAYAMPS is the Deputy Director of External Relations, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education. Stacey has worked for District 79 for over 17 years. She has worked in many capacities at both the program and district level. Stacey began working at Rikers Island transitioning students back into the community and connecting them to education opportunities. She also served as the Parent Coordinator for the program on Rikers Island.

Stacey has worked in the district office since 2006, as the District Family Liaison, Deputy Director of Student Support, and the Deputy Director of External Relations. Currently she is focused on ensuring that information on District 79's programs and services is widely available and accessible to the broader NYC community.

#### CHRISTINE PAHIGIAN, M.P.A.

CHRISTINE PAHIGIAN has worked for over 30 years in criminal and juvenile justice, sentencing advocacy and the development of alternatives to incarceration at direct service, policy and government levels. Ms. Pahigian serves as Executive Director of Friends of Island Academy, a youth development center which breaks cycles of incarceration by building the capacity of young people to become contributing citizens. During her tenure at NCIA and later at CASES, Ms. Pahigian was been instrumental in the creation of a number of innovative programs in New York City, including those for juvenile offenders, parole violators and defendants with mental illness. She served in the New York City Mayor's Office under Mayor David Dinkins on the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative. Ms. Pahigian has written several training manuals for criminal and juvenile justice and mental health professionals. She has consulted and provided technical assistance nationally to Departments of Correction and criminal and juvenile justice agencies in New Mexico, Connecticut and Maryland around the use of positive youth development practices with justice-involved young people. Ms. Pahigian has taught as an Assistant Clinical Professor New York University and has provided training programs around New York State to justice system and youth practitioners. She holds a BA from Barnard College and an MPA from NYU's Wagner School.

#### ANDREW PALLOTTA

ANDREW PALLOTTA is the Executive Vice President of the New York State United Teachers. A grassroots leader and longtime educator, Andrew Pallotta was elected executive vice president in 2009 to help guide the union's massive political mobilization and legislative efforts.

An elementary school teacher for more than two decades, Pallotta was an elected leader of the UFT, NYSUT's affiliate in New York City, representing United Federation of Teachers members in the Bronx.

Pallotta's reputation as an advocate helped make him a troubleshooter in resolving union members' concerns, expediting services and advising members on their contract rights and responsibilities.

A product of New York City public schools, Pallotta has been a major voice for public schools and is committed to student achievement. In his work as a union representative in the Bronx, a district of 40,000 students and 57 union chapters, Pallotta helped resolve contractual, educational and community concerns, including working to oust an incumbent politician who failed to stand up for schools.

In his position at the statewide union, Pallotta leads the Legislative and Political Action activities of members across the state. He encourages more members to become engaged in the political process at every level, from community and local initiatives to state and national elections. With all politics being local, Pallotta strives to help members realize their political clout. Pallotta, who sees a strong connection between his faith, progressive politics and the goals of the American labor movement, is strengthening NYSUT coalitions with other organizations working for the greater good.

A graduate of the NYSUT Leadership Institute, Pallotta served as a delegate to NYSUT, American Federation of Teachers and UFT conventions. He is a vice president of the New York State AFL-CIO, a member of its executive council and a vice president of AFT and a member its executive council.

Pallotta and his wife, Martha, have two children, Andreana and Stephen.

#### JAMES PAYNE

JAMES PAYNE is a graduate of Wilberforce University and holds a Masters of Arts degree from Clark Atlanta University. He is currently employed by the Buffalo Board of Education and is also a member of 100 Black Men of Greater Buffalo, Inc. He has helped to developed one of the most progressive mentoring programs in Western New York, attends the Friendship Baptist Church, and teaches Sunday school. James is a Board Member of Citizen Action of Western New York and the Alliance for Quality Education, and has played a pivotal role in revising the Code of Conduct for the Buffalo Public School District to keep students safe and in school.

#### ALEX PEDERSON

ALEX PEDERSON is the School Business Manager at East River Academy on Rikers Island, District 79 Alternative Schools and Programs, NYC Department of Education. Alex entered the field of education in 2006 while working at Springs Academy, an alternative school in North Carolina specializing in therapeutic education. In 2009, Alex became a Teach for America corps member, teaching for a high-need community in Houston, Texas. Alex began work with East River Academy in 2011, supporting several different projects including transitional support, curriculum and assessment, data management, and more. East River Academy serves students aged 16-21 on Rikers Island in both High School and GED programs.

#### CARL REYNOLDS, J.D.

CARL REYNOLDS serves as a Senior Legal and Policy Advisor for the Council of State Governments Justice Center, where he helps manage and develop projects related to sentencing, courts, corrections, indigent defense, and juvenile justice issues. Among other projects, he works on justice reinvestment strategies and is currently leading CSG's efforts to conduct a comprehensive analysis of Michigan's sentencing guidelines and criminal justice system.

Prior to joining CSG, Carl served as Director of the Texas Office of Court Administration. From 1993 to 2005, he was General Counsel for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), the agency responsible for prisons, probation, and parole, and the Texas Board of Criminal Justice-the governing body for TDCJ. Prior to that position, he was the Executive Director of the Texas Punishment Standards Commission, General Counsel to the Texas Senate Committee on Criminal Justice, director of the Senate's redistricting staff, and a Briefing Attorney for the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

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He has written several articles on juvenile justice reform published in the Juvenile and Family Law Journal, Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Nursing, Juvenile Justice and Family Today, and the Georgia Bar Journal. His book, Reform Juvenile Justice Now, is a collection of essays on juvenile justice issues.

Teske has testified before Congress on detention reform and before several state legislatures on detention reform and zero tolerance policies. The Governor has appointed him to the Children and Youth Coordinating Council, Governor's Office for Children and Families, DJJ Judicial Advisory Council, Georgia Commission on Family Violence, and the Georgia Criminal Justice Reform Council. Teske is on the Board of the Coalition of Juvenile Justice. He has served on the Federal Advisory Committee for Juvenile Justice which advises the President and Congress on juvenile justice issues. The Governor recently appointed Judge Teske to the Criminal Justice Reform Council established by Executive Order to recommend reforms in the juvenile justice system.

He is a member of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and past president of the Georgia Council of Juvenile Court Judges. He has received numerous awards including the Atlanta Journal Constitution Hero of Open Government Award, Georgia Association of Homes for Children Leadership Award, Judge Romae T. Powell Award for Outstanding Service to the Community, Georgia Juvenile Services Association Howard K. Ables Award, National Association of Legal Services Scales of Justice Award for Outstanding Professionalism, and the NAACP Community Service Award.

His work to reform juvenile justice has been featured in numerous media outlets including the New York Times, NPR, Atlanta Journal Constitution, The Nation, Washington Post and the CBS Evening News. He is regular contributor for Juvenile Justice Information Exchange (www.JJIE.org) and Youth Today.

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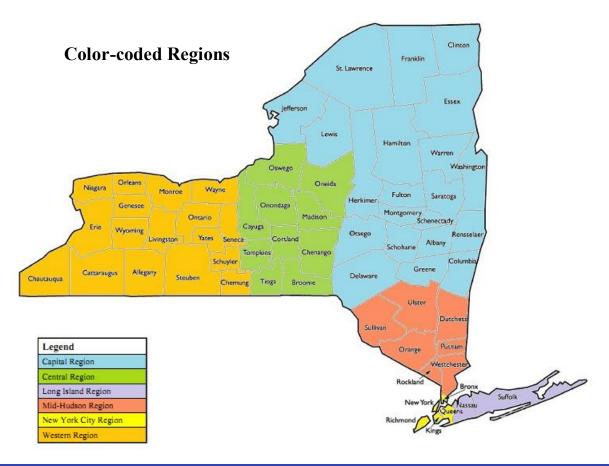
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## NEW YORK STATE REGIONAL LEADERSHIP SUMMITS ON SCHOOL-JUSTICE PARTNERSHIPS: KEEPING KIDS IN SCHOOL AND OUT OF COURT



REGION	HOST	DATE
New York City	New York Law School Manhattan, NY	October 18, 2013
Capital	New York State United Teachers (NYSUT) Primary site: Latham, NY headquarters Satellite sites: Plattsburgh and Watertown Offices	November 6, 2013
Long Island	Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University Hempstead, NY	March 2014
Mid-Hudson	New York State Judicial Institute White Plains, NY	December 11, 2013

Central and Western Regional Summits to be finalized and conducted in 2014

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