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SUMMIT PROGRAM

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Agenda at a Glance

March 7, 2014

8:00-9:00 a.m. **Registration/Continental Breakfast**

9:00 a.m. **WELCOMING REMARKS**

ERIC LANE, Dean and Eric J. Schmertz Distinguished Professor of Public Law and Public Service,
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9:20 a.m. **PLENARY 1—SETTING THE STAGE: UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF SCHOOL-JUSTICE
PRACTICES AND A RECENT FEDERAL RESPONSE**

10:10 a.m. **PLENARY 2—INTRODUCTIONS TO:**

Enhancing School Climate

Building Community Schools

The Institute for Understanding Behavior

Best Practices for School Safety Personnel and Student Interaction

11:00 a.m. **BREAKOUT SESSIONS I—JOIN AN IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION**

A. Unpacking the Departments of Education and Justice School Discipline Guidance Package

B. Enhancing School Climate

C. Building Community Schools

D. The Institute for Understanding Behavior

E. Best Practices for School Safety Personnel and Student Interaction

12:00-12:25 p.m. **PICK UP LUNCH AND BRING TO PLENARY**

12:25 p.m. **PLENARY 3—INTRODUCTIONS TO:**

Model Discipline Code and Buffalo's Experience with Code Reform

Collaborative Model for School Arrest Diversion

Educational Engagement for Re-Entry and Court-Involved Youth

Restorative Practices in Action

1:20 p.m. **BREAKOUT SESSIONS II—JOIN AN IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION**

F. Model Discipline Code and Buffalo's Experience with Code Reform

G. Collaborative Model for School Arrest Diversion

H. Educational Engagement for Re-Entry and Court-Involved Youth

I. Restorative Practices in Action

2:30 p.m. **PLENARY 4—A MODEL FOR NEXT STEPS: CONVENING A SCHOOL-JUSTICE TASK FORCE
AND CREATING A ROADMAP**



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| 8:00-9:00 a.m. | REGISTRATION/CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST |
| 9:00-9:20 a.m. | WELCOMING REMARKS (Moot Courtroom, Room 308) ERIC LANE , Dean and Eric J. Schmertz Distinguished Professor of Public Law and Public Service, Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University THOMAS P. ABT , Deputy Secretary for Public Safety at Executive Chamber, State of New York MIKILA J. THOMPSON , 2014 J.D. Candidate, Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University 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 |
| 9:20-10:10 a.m. | PLENARY 1—SETTING THE STAGE: UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF SCHOOL-JUSTICE PRACTICES AND A RECENT FEDERAL RESPONSE MATT CREGOR, ESQ. , Staff Attorney, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice HON. MICHAEL CORRIERO , 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 |
| 10:10-10:50 a.m. | PLENARY 2—INTRODUCTIONS TO: ENHANCING SCHOOL CLIMATE JONATHAN COHEN, PH.D. , President, National School Climate Center BUILDING COMMUNITY SCHOOLS LUKAS WEINSTEIN , Director of Special Projects, The National Center for Community Schools, The Children's Aid Society THE INSTITUTE FOR UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOR DANA ASHLEY , Director, The Institute for Understanding Behavior: A Partnership between the United Federation of Teachers, New York City Department of Education and Cornell University BEST PRACTICES FOR SCHOOL SAFETY AND STUDENT INTERACTION JAIME KOPPEL, M.P.A. , Atlantic Philanthropies Senior Fellow |

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| 10:50-11:00 a.m. | <i>PROCEED TO BREAKOUT SESSION</i> |
| 11:00-12:00 p.m. | BREAKOUT SESSION I—JOIN AN IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION |
| | <p>A. UNPACKING THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND JUSTICE SCHOOL DISCIPLINE GUIDANCE PACKAGE</p> <p>MATT CREGOR, ESQ., Staff Attorney, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice</p> <p>B. ENHANCING SCHOOL CLIMATE</p> <p>JONATHAN COHEN, PH.D., President, National School Climate Center</p> <p>C. BUILDING COMMUNITY SCHOOLS</p> <p>LUKAS WEINSTEIN, Director of Special Projects, The National Center for Community Schools, The Children's Aid Society</p> <p>D. THE INSTITUTE FOR UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOR</p> <p>DANA ASHLEY, Director, The Institute for Understanding Behavior: A Partnership between the United Federation of Teachers, New York City Department of Education and Cornell University</p> <p>E. BEST PRACTICES FOR SCHOOL SAFETY AND STUDENT INTERACTION</p> <p>JAIME KOPPEL, M.P.A., Atlantic Philanthropies Senior Fellow</p> <p>LISA H. THURAU, Executive Director, Strategies for Youth</p> <p>ERICA AYALA, Youth Leadership Development Associate, Children's Defense Fund-New York</p> |
| 12:00-12:25 p.m. | <i>PICK UP BOXED LUNCH AND RETURN TO MOOT COURTROOM, ROOM 308, FOR WORKING LUNCH AND PLENARY</i> |
| 12:25-1:10 p.m. | PLENARY 3—INTRODUCTIONS TO: |
| | <p>MODEL DISCIPLINE CODE</p> <p>LIZ SULLIVAN-YUKNIS, M.P.P., Director, Human Right to Education Program, National Economic and Social Rights Initiative</p> <p>COLLABORATIVE MODEL FOR SCHOOL ARREST DIVERSION</p> <p>HON. STEVEN C. TESKE, Chief Judge, Juvenile Court, Clayton County, GA</p> <p>EDUCATIONAL ENGAGEMENT FOR RE-ENTRY AND COURT-INVOLVED YOUTH</p> <p>TIMOTHY LISANTE, PH.D., Superintendent, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education</p> <p>RESTORATIVE PRACTICES IN ACTION</p> <p>JOHN BAILIE, PH.D., Assistant Professor, Director of Continuing Education, International Institute for Restorative Practices</p> |

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| 1:10-1:20 p.m. | <i>PROCEED TO BREAKOUT SESSION</i> |
| 1:20-2:20 p.m. | BREAKOUT SESSION II—JOIN AN IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION |
| | <p>F. MODEL DISCIPLINE CODE AND BUFFALO’S EXPERIENCE WITH CODE REFORM</p> <p>LIZ SULLIVAN-YUKNIS, M.P.P., Director, Human Right to Education Program, National Economic and Social Rights Initiative</p> <p>JAMES PAYNE, Activist, Alliance for Quality Education of New York and Citizen Action of New York</p> <p>G. COLLABORATIVE MODEL FOR SCHOOL ARREST DIVERSION</p> <p>HON. STEVEN C. TESKE, Chief Judge, Juvenile Court, Clayton County, GA</p> <p>LARA HERSCOVITCH, Deputy Director, Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance</p> <p>H. EDUCATIONAL ENGAGEMENT FOR RE-ENTRY AND COURT-INVOLVED YOUTH</p> <p>TIMOTHY LISANTE, PH.D., Superintendent, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education</p> <p>STACEY OLIGER-PAYAMPS, Deputy Director, External Relations, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education</p> <p>ALEX PEDERSON, School Business Manager, East River Academy, District 79, Alternative Schools and Programs, New York City Department of Education</p> <p>I. RESTORATIVE PRACTICES IN ACTION</p> <p>JOHN BAILIE, PH.D., Assistant Professor, Director of Continuing Education, International Institute for Restorative Practices</p> |
| 2:20-2:30 p.m. | <i>RETURN TO MOOT COURTROOM, ROOM 308, FOR PLENARY</i> |
| 2:30-3:00 p.m. | PLENARY 4—A MODEL FOR NEXT STEPS: CONVENING A SCHOOL-JUSTICE TASK FORCE AND CREATING A ROADMAP |
| | KATHLEEN DECATALDO, ESQ. , Executive Director, New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children |



Short Introductions

THOMAS P. ABT

THOMAS P. ABT was appointed by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo on September 3, 2013, to serve as Deputy Secretary for Public Safety. As Deputy Secretary, Mr. Abt oversees all criminal justice and homeland security agencies, including the Divisions of Criminal Justice Services, Corrections and Community Supervision, Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Military and Naval Affairs, and the State Police. Additionally, he oversees the Office of Victim Services, the Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence, and the State Commission of Correction.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Abt served as Chief of Staff to the Office of Justice Programs at the U.S. Department of Justice, where he worked with the nation's principal criminal justice grant-making and research agencies to integrate evidence, policy, and practice. Over four years with the Obama Administration, Mr. Abt played a lead role in establishing the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention, a network of federal agencies, local communities, and private partners working together to reduce youth and gang violence. He was a founding member of the Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative, a place-based effort to align federal investments to transform neighborhoods in distress into neighborhoods of opportunity. The Initiative was recently recognized by Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School as one of this year's Top 25 Innovations in Government. Mr. Abt also participated extensively in OJP's Evidence Integration Initiative, which works to improve the quality, quantity, and translation of scientific evidence into criminal justice policy. Additionally, Mr. Abt worked as an associate at the law firm of Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison in New York, and served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office. Mr. Abt received a B.A. in Economics from the University of Michigan and received a law degree with honors from Georgetown University Law Center.

DANA ASHLEY

DANA ASHLEY is the Director of The Institute for Understanding Behavior: A Partnership between The United Federation of Teachers, The NYC Dept. of Education and Cornell University. Dana started her social work career as a therapist and advocate for the mentally ill and under-served populations in a hospital setting in NYC. In 2005, Dana joined the NYC DOE and designed the S.T.O.P.P Program (Strategies, Techniques, and Options Prior to Placement). The S.T.O.P.P initiative provided support for community schools, struggling to support students presenting with challenging behavior in their classrooms. The STOPP model provided intensive professional development and coaching by a behavior specialist to assist schools in developing positive, supportive systems for students and staff. In 2009, Dana won the NASW Emerging Leader Award for "dedication to the social work profession and her unique commitment and contributions to human services in New York City." The success of the STOPP initiative led to the birth of the new Institute for Understanding Behavior Consortium. Dana Ashley was born and raised in New York City and the daughter of a public school teacher.

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.

JONATHAN COHEN, PH.D.

JONATHAN COHEN, PH.D. is the president of the National School Climate Center (NSCC); Adjunct Professor in Psychology and Education at Teachers College, Columbia University; and a practicing clinical psychologist and psychoanalyst. Jonathan has worked in and with K-12 schools for over thirty-five years as a teacher, program developer, school psychologist, consultant, psycho-educational diagnostician and mental health provider. He is the author of many papers and books including *Making your School Safe: Strategies to Protect Children and Promote Learning* (Teachers College Press, 2007). Dr. Cohen has consulted to scores of schools, districts and State Departments of Education, the U.S. Department of Education and the *School Discipline Consensus Project* that is supported by Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center, and the US Justice Department.

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.

MATHEW CREGOR, ESQ.

MATT CREGOR is an education attorney and an expert on school discipline law and policy. Matt recently joined the Lawyers' Committee in Boston, where he handles a variety of education matters including discipline, special education, and student assignment. Before that, Matt worked as a staff attorney for the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF), where he led its federal advocacy on school discipline, partnering with national civil rights groups and parent-led, student-led, and teacher-led organizations in the Dignity in Schools Campaign to secure the issuance and introduction of discipline-related federal policy guidance and legislation. Matt also co-facilitated the School-to-Prison Pipeline Legal Strategies Collaborative, which convened legal organizations from across the country to develop novel legal strategies for improving school discipline. Matt has served on discipline-related advisory boards for the Council of State Governments, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, the Discipline Disparities Research-to-Practice Collaborative, and the School-Justice Partnership Task Force of the New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children. Prior to his time at the Lawyers' Committee and LDF, Matt worked on local, state, and federal education matters as a staff attorney with the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Alabama.

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.

LARA HERSCOVITCH

LARA HERSCOVITCH, deputy director of the Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance, brings extensive experience in nonprofit program and policy development, in the U.S. and overseas. She has been with the Alliance for the past five years, part of the team that successfully advocated for raising the age of the state's juvenile jurisdiction from 16 to 18 and is working with multiple state actors to develop models that reduce school-based arrests. Previously, she oversaw grant-making and nonprofit capacity building for a Connecticut community foundation, and worked in education/literacy and youth development programs for Save the Children/US, primarily focusing on Latin America and Asia. Ms. Herscovitch is also an award-winning and touring singer-songwriter and former Connecticut State Troubadour, blending modern folk with blues, jazz and pop. Her most recent CD weaves in and around themes related to the civil rights crisis of the U.S. prison industrial complex (www.ctjja.org and www.LaraHerscovitch.com).

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 Marshall Award, the National Center for State Courts' William H. Rehnquist 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.

DEAN ERIC LANE

ERIC LANE is the Dean and Eric J. Schmertz Distinguished Professor of Public Law and Public Service at the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University. Dean Lane has served as the senior fellow at the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law, where he wrote the report (with Meg Barnette) A Report Card on New York's Civic Literacy. From 2002 to 2005, Dean Lane was special counsel to the speaker of the New York City Council. Prior roles include his service as counsel to the New York Commission on Constitutional Revision, which was created in 1993. In 1990 he chaired the New York City Task Force on Charter Implementation, and from 1986 to 1989, he served as executive director/counsel to the historic New York City Charter Revision Commission, which was responsible for the most substantial changes in the institutions and processes of New York City government since its creation. Dean Lane also spent six years (1981-1986) as chief counsel to the New York State Senate Minority.

Dean Lane is the author of three books. His trade book (with Michael Oreskes, senior managing editor of the Associated Press) *The Genius of America: How the Constitution Saved Our Country and Why It Can Again* received favorable reviews throughout the country, and his two textbooks (with the Honorable Abner A. Mikva) on the legislative process and statutory interpretation. Dean Lane serves on the boards of the Vera Institute of Justice, the Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem, GrowNYC and the Columbia Land Conservancy. He is also a member of the American Law Institute and the American Bar Foundation.

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.

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 develop 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.

PROFESSOR ANDREW SCHEPARD

ANDREW SCHEPARD is the Max Schmertz Distinguished Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Children, Families and the Law at the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University. Professor Schepard is the editor of the *Family Court Review* and the author of *Children, Courts and Custody: Interdisciplinary Models for Divorcing Families* (Cambridge University Press 2004). He has written many law review articles in family law and alternative dispute resolution. Professor Schepard writes the Law and Children column for the *New York Law Journal*. He is a member of the New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children and a founding member of the American Bar Association's Commission on Youth at Risk. Professor Schepard has received numerous awards from the American Bar Association and the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts for his work with families and children in conflict. Professor Schepard is an elected member of the American Law Institute and a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. He is a 1972 graduate of Harvard Law School, where he served as Articles Editor of the *Harvard Law Review*, served as a Law Clerk to former Chief Judge James L. Oakes of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

LIZ SULLIVAN-YUKNIS, M.P.P.

LIZ SULLIVAN-YUKNIS is the Human Right to Education Program Director at the National Economic and Social Rights Initiative (NESRI) and is a member of the national Coordinating Committee of the Dignity in Schools Campaign. Ms. Sullivan works with parents, students and advocates to promote policy change in public education to guarantee students' right to dignity and a quality education. She has carried out research projects to document human rights violations in U.S. public schools, and has provided trainings to parents, youth and organizers about how to incorporate human rights standards and strategies into their advocacy. She has worked as a consultant with Human Rights Education Associates and as Project Coordinator at the Center for Economic and Social Rights. She holds a Masters degree in Public Policy from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

HON. STEVEN C. TESKE

STEVEN TESKE was appointed to the bench in 1999. He earned his Bachelors, Masters, and Juris Doctor degrees from Georgia State University. He was Chief Parole Officer in Atlanta, Deputy Director of Field Services for the Board of Pardons and Paroles, and Trial attorney in the law firm of Boswell & Teske LLP. He also served as Special Assistant Attorney General prosecuting child abuse and neglect cases and representing state employees and agencies in state and

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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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LISA H. THURAU, ESQ. is the founder and Executive Director of Strategies for Youth. She is a graduate of Barnard College and holds a Master's degree in Anthropology from Columbia University. She graduated from Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law of Yeshiva University in 1991. Before becoming an attorney, Lisa worked as a researcher and advocate for reform and improvement of the public education system in New York City. She worked as an Associate in the litigation department of Coudert Brothers, an international law firm on copyright and commercial litigation matters.

From 1999 to 2008, Lisa served as policy specialist and then as Managing Director of the Juvenile Justice Center of Suffolk Law School. There, Lisa focused on public policy advocacy on behalf of court-involved teens. She monitored juveniles' civil rights issues regarding police treatment, tracked trends in the Center's cases, monitored and challenged legislation affecting youth in the juvenile justice system. In 2004, Lisa initiated a training with 180 officers in the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority (MBTA) Transit Police to improve police/youth interactions, to increase officers' skills in working with youth, and to support officers' development of innovative approaches to policing large groups of teens in public transit areas. She conducted a training with over 100 officers in the Everett Police Department. Her assessment and training of 235 officers in the Cambridge Police Department led to a reorganization of the way that Department provides services to youth.

In 2009, Lisa founded Strategies for Youth, Inc., a nonprofit advocacy and training organization dedicated to improving police/youth interactions. Working with Dr. Jeff Q. Bostic, Director of School Psychiatry at Massachusetts General Hospital, Lisa built Strategies for Youth from the ground up without formal institutional or foundation support. In its first year, Strategies for Youth worked with police in California, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Ohio, published over 10 articles on police/youth issues in national publications, and presented at more than 5 national police and criminal justice forums. Lisa and Strategies for Youth are now listed as technical advisors for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP).

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MIKILA J. THOMPSON is a 3rd year law student at the Maurice A. Deane School of Law, Hofstra University. Her anticipated date of graduation is May 2014. Her areas of interest include education and child advocacy for indigent children in the metropolitan New York. Mikila received her Bachelor of Arts in political science from Barnard College, Columbia University. While at Barnard, Mikila (along a group of fellow classmates) created a special interest group that tutored at risk middle school youth in Harlem, NY. In 2009, Mikila's then 3-year old daughter was diagnosed with a severe speech and language disability. During her daughter's IEP meetings, Mikila realized the importance of legal

assistance for families of special needs children. Mikila continues the important work of securing proper services for her daughter, while encountering many parents who need strong advocates for their children. Mikila is also a crisis advocate for the Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence, where she assists victims of domestic violence or sexual assault while they are being examined in the hospital. Mikila has a background in investment management, real estate and debt management. Mikila is also a partner of a credit counseling company based in Brooklyn, NY. Mikila is the wife of an incredible partner with 2 incredibly intelligent and curious children.

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LUKAS WEINSTEIN is the Director of Special Projects at The Children's Aid Society's National Center for Community Schools, a position he has held since January 2013. Weinstein started his tenure at Children's Aid in 1990, first as a social worker in the Homemaker Service Department and later moving to the Preventive Services program, continuing his work to keep families together. He then worked with the CAS Community Schools as a social worker, helping to develop and implement several community school intervention programs including gang prevention, teen and after-school programs, and an alternative high school. Weinstein also served as the Director of the CAS Wagon Road Camp, a facility in Chappaqua, New York that operates a summer day camp for youth from the communities that we serve throughout New York City as well as a year-round Respite Camp (residential) program for children with developmental disabilities. From 2002 through 2012, Weinstein worked as the Administrative Coordinator of a Nursery-8th grade school, as well as a consultant for several education and youth service organizations, including Children's Aid, before returning to a full-time staff position at the National Center at the beginning of 2013. He holds a Masters in Social Work (MSW) from the Hunter College School of Social Work.

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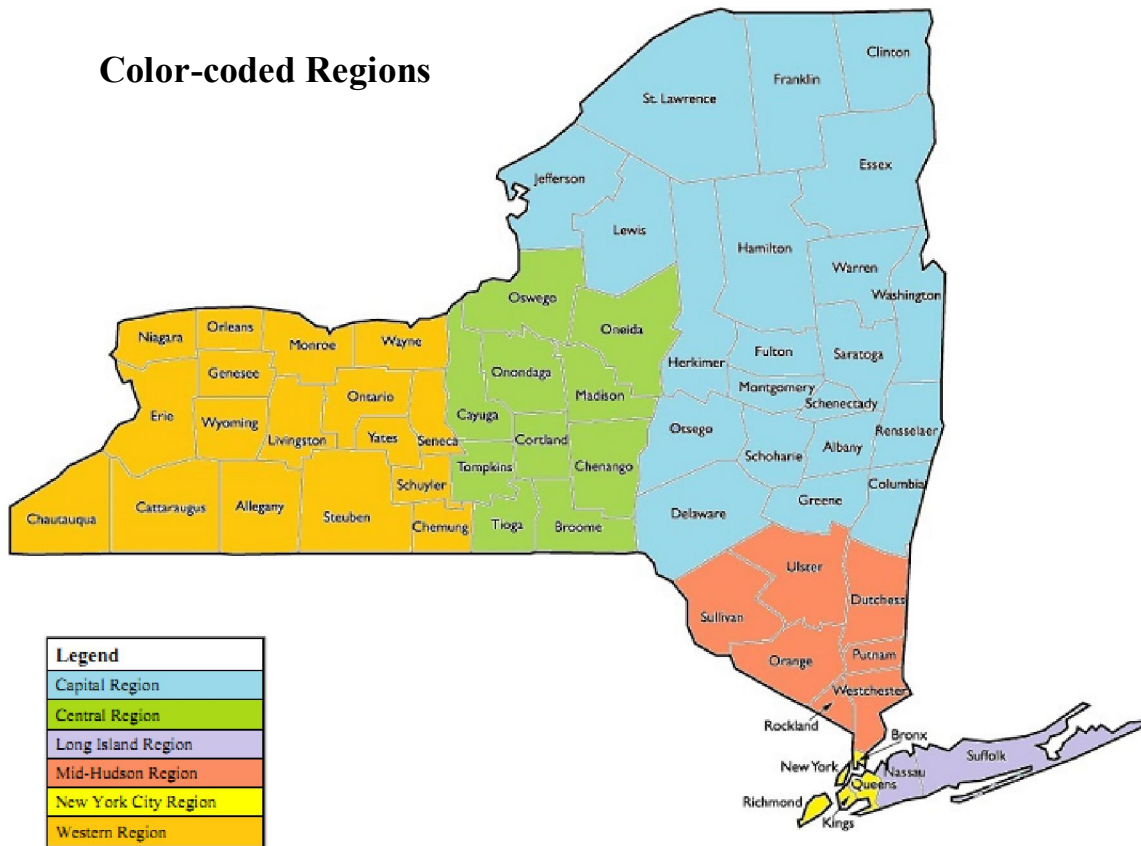
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