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AGENDA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

L.61 Conference Room

8:00 – 8:30am
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:30 – 10:30am
**PANEL 1: AFTER FERGUSON:
LESSONS FROM A TRAGEDY**

Darryl Forte, Police Chief, Kansas City Missouri Police Department

David Kennedy, Director, Center for Crime Prevention and Control, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Iris Roley, Community leader, Black United Front, Cincinnati

Sam Walker, Emeritus Professor of Criminal Justice at the University of Nebraska at Omaha

Moderator: William Freivogel, Director of the School of Journalism, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

10:30 – 10:45am
BREAK

10:45am – 12:15pm
**PANEL 2: CRIMINAL JUSTICE
TRENDS & NEW RESEARCH**

Al Blumstein, Professor, Carnegie Mellon

Karin Martin, Assistant Professor, John Jay College

Rick Rosenfeld, Curators' Professor, University of Missouri at St. Louis

Moderator: Stephen Handelman, Director, Center on Media Crime and Justice

12:15 – 1:30 pm
**WORKING LUNCH: DISCUSSION
OF YEAR IN CRIME COVERAGE**
For fellows and invited guests

Ted Gest, President, Criminal Justice Journalists annual media crime coverage review

1:30 – 3:00pm
**PANEL 3: JAILS AND THE
MENTALLY ILL: ILL PREPARED
AND ILL-SUITED?**

Terri McDonald, Assistant Sheriff, Los Angeles Sheriff Department

Bob McCabe, Sheriff, Norfolk County, Virginia

Joe Ponte, New York City Department of Correction

Cara Smith, Executive Director, Cook County Department of Corrections

Moderator: Martin Horn, Distinguished Lecturer, John Jay College

3:00 – 3:15 pm
BREAK

3:15 – 4:45pm
**PANEL 4: RE-THINKING
PUNISHMENT**

**PART ONE: SENTENCING AND PUBLIC
SAFETY: THE STATES' PERSPECTIVE**

Mark Earley, former Virginia Attorney General (R-VA)

Adam Gelb, The Pew Charitable Trusts

Michael Jacobson, Director, CUNY Institute for State and Local Governance

Nancy LaVigne, Director, Justice Policy Center at the Urban Institute

Moderator: John Gramlich, The Pew Charitable Trusts

4:45 – 5:00 pm
BREAK

5:00 – 6:15pm
**PART TWO: SENTENCING AND
PUBLIC SAFETY: THE DEBATE ON
RISK-BASED ASSESSMENT**

Anne Milgram, Vice President of Criminal Justice, Arnold Foundation

Sonja B. Starr, Professor of Law, University of Michigan

Moderator: Eileen Sullivan, Reporter, Associated Press

6:30 – 8:30 PM
**JOHN JAY/HF GUGGENHEIM
EXCELLENCE IN CRIMINAL
JUSTICE REPORTING
AWARDS DINNER**

**2015 JUSTICE
TRAILBLAZER HONOREE:**
MARIA HINOJOSA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10
9th Floor Conference Room

7:45 – 8:15am
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:15 – 9:00am
KEYNOTE:

Kenneth Thompson, District Attorney, Kings County

9:00 – 9:15am
BREAK

9:15 – 10:45am
**PANEL 5: A SYSTEMS
APPROACH TO MENDING
JUSTICE: CAN CRIMINAL
JUSTICE LEARN FROM
ITS MISTAKES?**

John Chisholm, District Attorney, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

John Hollway, Director, Quattrone Center for Fair Administration of Justice

David Krajicek, contributing editor, The Crime Report

Maureen McGough, Policy Advisor, National Institute of Justice

Gordon Schiff, Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Moderator: James Doyle, Attorney, Bassil, Klovee & Budreau

10:45 – 11:00am
BREAK

11:00am – 12:30pm
**PANEL 6 POT POLITICS: THE
NEW MARIJUANA INDUSTRY**

Meg Collins, Executive Director, Cannabis Business Alliance, Colorado

Ari Hoffnung, Founder, Fiorello Pharmaceuticals

Beau Kilmer, Co-director of RAND Drug Policy Research Center

Brian Vicente, Vicente-Sederberg LLC, Executive Director, Sensible Colorado

Moderator: Ricardo Baca, Cannabis Editor, The Denver Post

12:30 – 1:30pm
LUNCH

For fellows and invited guests

1:30 – 2:30pm
**STORY LAB WORKSHOP 1:
UNDERSTANDING (AND
USING) JUSTICE STATISTICS**
For journalism fellows only

Presenter: Bill Sabol, Director Bureau of Justice Statistics

Facilitator: Stephen Handelman, Director, Center on Media, Crime and Justice

2:30 – 2:45pm
BREAK

2:45 – 3:45pm
**STORY LAB WORKSHOP 2:
COVERING GENDER & CRIME
ISSUES: CAMPUS SEX
ASSAULTS**
For journalism fellows only

Samantha Koch, Director of Strategic Initiatives, Clery Center for Security on Campus

Kristen Lombardi, Reporter, Center for Public Integrity

Facilitator: Cara Tabachnick, Deputy Director, Center on Media, Crime and Justice

3:45 – 5:30pm
FINAL WRAP

For journalism fellows only

Facilitator: Joe Domanick, Assistant Director, Center on Media, Crime and Justice

PANELIST BIOGRAPHIES

Ricardo Baca

Ricardo Baca is the founder and editor of *The Cannabist*. After 12 years as *The Denver Post's* music critic and a couple more as the paper's entertainment editor, he was tapped to become *The Post's* first-ever marijuana editor. He created *The Cannabist* in late 2013. Baca also founded music blog Reverb and co-founded the Colorado music festival, The UMS.

Alfred Blumstein

Prof. Blumstein is the J. Erik Jonsson University of Urban Systems and Operations Research Professor of Heinz College of Carnegie Mellon University. His research over the past 20 years has covered many aspects of criminal justice phenomena and policy, including crime measurement, criminal careers, sentencing, deterrence and incapacitation, prison populations, demographic trends, juvenile violence and drug-enforcement. A past president of the American Society of Criminology, he was also director of the National Consortium on Violence Research (NCOVR), a multi-university initiative funded by the National Science Foundation and headquartered at the Heinz College.

John T. Chisholm

John T. Chisholm is the District Attorney of Milwaukee County. He began his career as an assistant district attorney in 1994, later heading that office's firearm prosecution unit.

He was first elected Milwaukee County DA in 2006, and has been reelected by voters in 2008 and 2012. In that position, he expanded his office's Community Prosecution Program, placing prosecutors in all Milwaukee Police Department Districts. He designed a Child Protection Advocacy Unit, formed a Public Integrity Unit, and created a Witness Protection Unit to combat crime victim and witness intimidation. He received a BA in English Literature from Marquette University and his law degree at the University of Wisconsin Law School.

Meg Collins

Meg Collins is the Executive Director of the Cannabis Business Alliance (CBA). As Executive Director, Collins steers the organization through the development of the legislative and regulatory framework implementing Colorado's recreational marijuana market envisioned by the voters' passage of Amendment 64. She is a public policy and strategic communications authority who has led lobbying, public affairs and public relations efforts on behalf of energy, environmental and agriculture clients at the federal and state level. Prior to CBA, she was President of the Colorado Oil & Gas Association. A native Coloradan, she is a long-time resident of Boulder.

Joe Domanick

Joe Domanick is an award-winning investigative journalist and author. He is Associate

Director of the CMCJ and West Coast Bureau Chief of The Crime Report. His latest book is *Cruel Justice: Three Strikes and the Politics of Crime in America's Golden State*. His previous book, *To Protect and Serve: The LAPD's Century of War in the City of Dreams*, won the 1995 Edgar Allan Poe Award for Best Non-Fiction Book. Domanick has contributed articles and essays to magazines and newspapers across the U.S., including over 50 criminal-justice related op-ed pieces for the Los Angeles Times. From 1999-2012 he taught journalism at the School of Journalism at USC Annenberg's School for Communication and continues to freelance. He is currently working on his latest book, *Road to Reckoning: The Collapse and Reformation of the LAPD*, to be published by Simon & Schuster in the Summer of 2015. Based in Los Angeles, CA, he served as a judge in this year's John Jay/HF Guggenheim Awards for Excellence in Criminal Justice Reporting.

James Doyle

James Doyle practices law in Boston as counsel to the firm of Bassil, Klovee & Budreau, concentrating on defending indigent defendants in homicide cases, crime victims' compensation, and civil rights cases. A veteran litigator and writer, he is the former head of the statewide Public Defender Division of the Committee for Public Counsel Services in Massachusetts, and the author of *True Witness*, (2005) the history of the collision between the science of memory and the legal system; and the co-author (with Elizabeth Loftus) of *Eyewitness Testimony: Civil and Criminal*, a treatise for lawyers in eyewitness cases. He was the founding Director of The Center For Modern Forensic Practice at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice and its Arson Screening Project. During 2012-2014 he was a Visiting Fellow at the National Institute of Justice, where he devised and helped to launch NIJ's Sentinel Events Initiative.

Mark Earley

Mark Earley served as Attorney General of Virginia from 1998 to 2001. A member of the Republican Party, he served in the Virginia State Senate (1988-1998). In 2001, he resigned as Attorney General to focus on the 2001 campaign for Governor of Virginia, which he lost to businessman and Democratic Party leader Mark Warner. From 2002 to 2011, Earley was president of Prison Fellowship, a

prominent Christian organization dedicated to ministry to prison inmates and their families.

Darryl Forte

Darryl Forte was appointed as the 44th Chief of the Kansas City Missouri Police Department on October 13, 2011. He oversees a department that employs about 1,400 police officers, 600 non-sworn staff and serves nearly half a million residents across 319 square miles. He is the first African-American Chief in the city's history. Forte began his career with the Kansas City Missouri Police Department in August 1985. Since that time, he has held every rank on the department. His diverse assignment history has included positions in patrol, investigations, human resources and budgeting.

William H. Freivogel

William H. Freivogel is a professor in the School of Journalism at Southern Illinois University, publisher of the Gateway Journalism Review, and a contributor to St. Louis Public Radio. He worked for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* for 34 years, where his assignments included assistant Washington Bureau Chief, Supreme Court reporter and deputy editorial editor. He was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in 2002, for his editorials about civil liberties abuses. Freivogel's honors include: the Sigma Delta Chi Distinguished Service Medal, the ABA Silver Gavel and the Benjamin Franklin awards for stories on the Constitution. He also won the IRE, Sidney Hillman and Washington Correspondence awards. He graduated from Stanford University and Washington University Law School.

Adam Gelb

Adam Gelb is director of the Pew Charitable Trust's Public Safety Performance Project, which helps states advance policies and practices in adult and juvenile sentencing and corrections that protect public safety, hold offenders accountable, and control corrections costs. Gelb has been involved in crime control and prevention issues for the past 25 years as a journalist, congressional aide and senior state government official. He began his career as a reporter at the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, and staffed the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee during negotiations and final passage of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994. From 1995-2000, as policy director for the lieutenant governor of

Maryland, Gelb was instrumental in developing several nationally recognized anti-crime initiatives. He served as executive director of the Georgia Sentencing Commission from 2001 to 2003. Before joining Pew, he was vice president for programs at the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse. Gelb graduated from the University of Virginia, and holds a master's degree from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

Ted Gest

Since 1998, Ted Gest has been president of Criminal Justice Journalists, a national organization of reporters, writers, and broadcasters who cover criminal justice. He is Washington DC bureau chief of *The Crime Report*, and author of *Crime and Politics: Big Government's Erratic Campaign for Law and Order* (2001), a book on anticrime policy in the U.S. since the late 1960s. Gest was a writer and editor at *U.S. News & World Report* from 1977 to 2000. After covering the Carter White House, he was the magazine's chief legal affairs writer for 15 years, covering the Justice Department, the Supreme Court, and crime and justice issues nationally. After 1996, he served as national news editor and as a writer on law schools and other education issues. Before joining *U.S. News*, Gest was a reporter and editor at the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. He is a graduate of Oberlin College and the Graduate School of Journalism at Columbia University, and served as a judge in this year's John Jay/HF Guggenheim Awards for Excellence in Criminal Justice Reporting.

John Gramlich

John is a research officer at The Pew Charitable Trusts, where he develops and edits national publications about the U.S. prison system. He previously worked as a legal affairs reporter with *CQ Roll Call*, a Capitol Hill publication, and with *Stateline*, an online news service covering policy trends in the 50 state capitols. Earlier, he worked as a news producer with *The Baltimore Sun* and as a reporter with *The Express-Times* in his home town of Easton, Pa.

Stephen Handelman

Stephen Handelman is Director of the Center on Media, Crime and Justice (CMCJ) at John Jay College, and Executive Editor of *The Crime Report*, the nation's most comprehensive daily news and resource service

on criminal justice. He also serves as host of "Criminal Justice Matters," a monthly TV show at CUNY-TV; and as consulting managing editor of *Americas Quarterly*, a journal on hemisphere affairs. An award-winning veteran journalist, columnist and foreign correspondent with over 30 years' experience in reporting and editing (most recently *TIME* Magazine), he has been a consultant to U.S. law enforcement agencies and the United Nations, and has lectured and taught at universities around the U.S. His book, *Comrade Criminal: Russia's New Mafiya* (Yale: 1995) was on The New York Times Notable Books of the Year list. His most recent book is *How They Got Away With It: White-Collar Criminals and the Financial Meltdown*, (Columbia University Press: 2012). He earned his Masters in Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and a BA in English and Philosophy from the City College of New York (CUNY).

John F. Hollway

John F. Hollway is Associate Dean and Executive Director of the Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. The Quattrone Center is a national research and policy hub created to catalyze long term structural improvements to the US criminal justice system. Hollway is the author of *Killing Time: An 18-Year Odyssey from Death Row to Freedom*, which covered the case of John Thompson, a Louisiana Death Row inmate who was exonerated and freed after 18 years in prison. Hollway graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1992, and received his JD with honors from the George Washington University Law School.

Martin Horn

Martin Horn joined the John Jay faculty in the fall of 2009 as Distinguished Lecturer in the Department of Law & Police Science. Currently, executive director of the New York State Sentencing Commission, he served as Commissioner of the New York City Department of Correction and Department of Probation from 2003 to 2009. As a result of his leadership, the City dramatically changed the way the family court system responds to juvenile delinquents, replacing destructive institutionalization with com-

munity based supervision demonstrated to obtain better outcomes. He was a member of then-Governor Tom Ridge's Senior Staff as Secretary of Administration for the State of Pennsylvania, as Pennsylvania's Secretary of Corrections (1995-2000), and as executive director and chief operating officer for the New York State Division of Parole. Horn began his career as a New York State Parole Officer in 1969, and went on to become assistant commissioner of corrections for New York State and Superintendent of Hudson Correctional Facility. He earned a bachelor's degree in government from Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania in 1969, and a master's degree in criminal justice from John Jay College.

Ari Hoffnung

Ari Hoffnung is the Founder & CEO of Fiorello Pharmaceuticals, Inc. He is a fifth-generation New Yorker with two decades of experience on Wall Street and in City Hall. Hoffnung previously served as New York City's Deputy Comptroller for Budget & Public Affairs, where he oversaw the City's \$70 billion budget and led a research team composed of economists and policy experts that published two ground-breaking and widely-cited reports on the public-health and economic impacts of reforming cannabis policies: *100,000 Reasons: Medical Marijuana In The Big Apple*; and *Regulating and Taxing Marijuana: The Fiscal Impact on NYC*.

Michael Jacobson

Michael Jacobson joined the City University of New York (CUNY) in May 2013 to help create the Institute for State and Local Government. Prior to this he was president of the Vera Institute of Justice (2005-2013). He is the author of *Downsizing Prisons: How to Reduce Crime and End Mass Incarceration* (New York University Press 2005). Holding a PhD in sociology, he has had an ongoing academic career coupled with more than 20 years of government service. From 1998 to 2005 he was a professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice and the Graduate Center of CUNY. He was New York City Correction Commissioner from 1995 to 1998; New York City Probation Commissioner from 1992 to 1996; and worked in the New York City Office of Management and Budget from 1984 to 1992, where he was a Deputy Budget Director. In

2010 to 2012, Jacobson served as the chair of Altus – a global alliance working across continents and from a multicultural perspective to improve public safety and justice. He earned his PhD in sociology from the CUNY Graduate Center.

David M. Kennedy

David M. Kennedy is director of the National Network for Safe Communities at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City. His work focuses on reducing violence, minimizing arrest and incarceration, and strengthening relationships between law enforcement and distressed communities. He developed the Group Violence Intervention strategy, first implemented as "Operation Ceasefire" in Boston, which is a proven model for reducing homicide, and has been used to address drug markets, domestic violence and other public safety issues. He has won two Ford Foundation Innovations in Government awards, among many other distinctions. His latest book is *Don't Shoot, One Man, a Street Fellowship, and the End of Violence in Inner-City America*.

Samantha Koch

Samantha Koch is the Director of Strategic Initiatives for the Clery Center, focusing on partnerships, member services, and organizational strategy. In this role, Samantha leads the Collaborative Program, and also presents nationally on campus safety issues and Clery Act compliance. Prior to her work at the Clery Center, Koch served as a Member Services & Outreach Associate at The Investment Fund for Foundations, a cooperative-style investment firm serving endowed nonprofit organizations. A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Saint Joseph's University, where she earned her degree in Political Science, Koch's student journalism was recognized by the Pennsylvania Newspaper Association for her coverage of campus crime. Koch is pleased to use her experiences and passion to advance the Clery Center's mission of making campuses safe and healthy.

David J. Krajicek

David J. Krajicek is an author, journalist and former Columbia University professor whose work focuses on justice, history and the media. He is cofounder of Criminal Justice Journalists and a contributing editor with *The Crime Report*. He writes "The Justice Story"

for the *New York Daily News*. His books include *Scooped*, a critical analysis of how the media covers crime. He has written for the *New York Times*, *Boston Magazine*, *Salon*, *Village Voice* and the *Guardian*, among many others. He was a 2014 fellow with the Fund for Investigative Journalism. A native Nebraskan, he lives in New York and Alabama.

Beau Kilmer

Dr. Beau Kilmer is co-director of the RAND Drug Policy Research Center. Some of his current projects include estimating the size of illegal drug markets and evaluating innovative programs intended to reduce crime and violence. Dr. Kilmer's research has appeared in leading journals such as *Addiction*, *American Journal of Public Health*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, and his commentaries have been published by CNN, *Los Angeles Times*, *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, and other outlets. His co-authored book on marijuana legalization was published by Oxford University Press and the second edition will be released in 2016.

Karin Martin

Karin Martin, PhD, is an Assistant Professor in John Jay's Department of Public Management. She studied Psychology at Stanford University and worked in a variety of non-profit organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area before attending University of California, Berkeley where she earned an MPP, an MA in Political Science, and a PhD in Public Policy. She was a post-doctoral scholar in the Psychology Department at UCLA where she was also a Fellow with the Consortium for Policing Equity. She has been a Fellow at the Center for Research on Social Change at UC Berkeley, a Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies Fellow, and a National Science Foundation-funded Fellow in the Integrated Graduate Education Research and Training (IGERT) Program in Politics, Economics, Psychology, and Public Policy. Martin was a RAND Summer Associate in 2009.

Anne Milgram

Anne Milgram is the Vice President of Criminal Justice for the Laura and John Arnold Foundation. Prior to joining Foundation, Milgram served as New Jersey's Attorney General, where she headed the 9,000-person Department of Law and Public Safety. As New Jersey's chief law enforcement officer, she

oversaw hundreds of prosecutors and approximately 30,000 law enforcement officers, and implemented a statewide program to improve public safety through prevention of crime, law enforcement reform, and re-entry initiatives. Milgram also served as a member of the U.S. Attorney General's Executive Working Group on Criminal Justice and as a co-chair of the National Association of Attorneys General Criminal Law Committee. Prior to becoming New Jersey Attorney General, she served as First Assistant Attorney General and, before that, was Counsel to a United States Senator. In 2004, she became the leading federal prosecutor in the country for human trafficking crimes. Milgram graduated summa cum laude from Rutgers and holds a masters of philosophy degree in social and political theory from the University of Cambridge in England, as well as a law degree from New York University School of Law. In addition to her work with the Arnold Foundation, she serves as a Senior Fellow at the NYU Law School Center on the Administration of Criminal Law, and is a member of the Covenant House International Board of Directors.

Robert McCabe

Robert McCabe was elected as Norfolk, Virginia's Sheriff in 1993. He has over 33 years of law enforcement and corrections experience. Currently serving his sixth term in office, McCabe is responsible for the largest local corrections program in Virginia, which employs nearly 500 personnel and oversees a \$36 million budget. He is a U.S. Navy veteran, former corrections officer, and police officer. McCabe earned a degree in Criminology from St. Leo University and a Masters of Public Administration from Troy University. McCabe also serves as adjunct professor at Old Dominion University and Tidewater Community College.

Terri McDonald

Terri McDonald, a 24-year veteran of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), was recently appointed to the position of Assistant Sheriff by Sheriff Lee Baca and will oversee the Custody Division of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. She began her career in law enforcement in 1988 as a Correctional Officer with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, and literally worked her way up through the ranks of the Department,

working as an Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, including Captain at Folsom State Prison, Associate Warden, Chief Deputy Warden, Division Chief, Chief Deputy Secretary and Undersecretary. Prior to her employment with CDCR, McDonald oversaw the juvenile justice, gang and fugitive apprehension units in California's state prisons. McDonald holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Leadership in Law Enforcement, graduating with Honors, from the University of San Francisco.

Maureen McGough

Maureen McGough is an attorney and policy advisor in the National Institute of Justice's (NIJ) Office of the Director. She also serves on the NIJ Sentinel Event Initiative team, manages the agency's human trafficking research portfolio, and co-leads a partnership with the State Department to enhance the capabilities of the Kenyan Wildlife Service. She joined the federal government as a Presidential Management Fellow, where she oversaw federal AIDS relief efforts at the U.S. Embassy in Kigali, Rwanda and served as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia. She received her J.D. from the George Washington University Law School.

Nancy La Vigne

Nancy G. La Vigne is director of the Justice Policy Center at the Urban Institute in Wash., DC, where she leads a staff of over three dozen researchers and oversees a research portfolio spanning a wide array of crime, justice, and public safety topics, including prisoner reentry, policing, criminal justice reform, and the evaluation of criminal justice technologies. La Vigne holds a B.A. in Government from Smith College, a Master's Degree in Public Affairs from the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas-Austin, and a Ph.D. from the School of Criminal Justice at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

Kristen Lombardi

Kristen Lombardi is an award-winning journalist who has worked for the Center for Public Integrity since 2007. She has been a journalist for more than 19 years. Her investigation into campus rape cases for the Center won the Robert F. Kennedy Award and the Dart Award in 2011, as well as the Sigma Delta Chi Award for Public Service in 2010, among other recognitions. More recently, Lombardi was a staff writer and investigative

reporter at the *Village Voice*, where she provided groundbreaking coverage of the 9/11 health crisis. Her investigative reports as a staff writer for the *Boston Phoenix* were widely credited with helping to expose the clergy sexual-abuse scandal in that city. Her work for the Center has been honored by the Investigative Reporters and Editors, the National Press Foundation, the Association of Health Care Journalists, the John B. Oakes Environmental Prize, and the Society of Environmental Journalists. She was a Nieman Fellow in Journalism at Harvard University (2011-2012). Lombardi graduated with high honors from the University of California at Berkeley, and has a master's degree in journalism from Boston University.

Joseph Ponte

Joseph Ponte is Commissioner of New York City's Department of Correction. In his 40-year corrections career, Commissioner Ponte has earned a national reputation as a successful reformer. Prior to his appointment, he served as Commissioner of the Maine Department of Corrections since 2011, where he instituted substantial reforms impacting the management of the correctional system there. He has also served as director of the jail in Shelby County, Tennessee (which includes Memphis), where he led one of the largest jails in the country—and eventually led the jail successfully through accreditation by the American Correctional Association. A native of Massachusetts, Ponte has served as a warden in jails and prisons in Nevada, Florida, Tennessee, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Massachusetts. A Marine Corps veteran (1965-1969), he holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Bridgewater State College.

Iris Roley

Iris Roley, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio and a freedom advocate for 14 years, designed and monitored Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) reform. The wrongful death of two unarmed black men by the CPD in November of 2001 compelled the Cincinnati Black United Front (CBUF) to address the 14th and 15th killings in a five year period. She became Project Manager for the CBUF in 2001, helping to produce a document showing over 400 incidents of police brutality and misconduct—which was the catalyst used to file a class action federal lawsuit against the

city of Cincinnati and its police department. Roley worked for the ACLU of Ohio from 2007-2009 as a community organizer, where her duties included monitoring compliance and public awareness of the Citizens Complaint Authority. Roley sits on the external advisory committee of the Police Chief, the City Manager, the board of the Community Police Partnering Center, and the Cincinnati Human Relations Committee. Her numerous awards include: the Cincinnati Branch-NAACP Wright-Overstreet Memorial Award; the 2011 Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency, Bridge Builder Award; Service Coordinator of the year award from Public Housing Residents, 2012; and the *Cincinnati Herald* Nefertiti Award for exceptional community service.

Richard Rosenfeld

Richard Rosenfeld is Founders Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of Missouri - St. Louis. His research focuses on crime trends, crime statistics and policing. Dr. Rosenfeld is a Fellow and past President of the American Society of Criminology. He currently serves on the Science Advisory Board of the Office of Justice Programs, US Department of Justice, and is Principal Investigator of the St. Louis Public Safety Partnership.

William J. Sabol, Ph.D.

William Sabol currently serves as Director for the Bureau of Justice Statistics. He has more than 25 years of research experience on criminal justice and sentencing policy, formal and informal social control in communities, disparities in criminal justice outcomes, and statistical methods. He served in various capacities at the Government Accountability Office, Case Western Reserve University, the Urban Institute, and the University of Maryland. Prior to completing his Ph.D. in 1988 from the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh, he was a Fulbright Scholar at the Institute of Criminology at Cambridge University.

Cara Smith

Cara Smith is Executive Director of the Cook County Department of Corrections, one of the largest single-site jails in the country. Executive Director Smith is also responsible for developing and executing strategies that impact the jail's population with an emphasis on its

vulnerable populations, such as those suffering from mental illness and those charged with crimes of survival. Prior to joining the Cook County Sheriff's Office in 2012, Director Smith served as an Assistant Attorney General, Deputy Chief of Staff and Public Access Counselor for Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan and also served as legal counsel and Chief of Staff to the Illinois Department of Corrections. Director Smith received her law degree in 1992 from Loyola University School of Law in Chicago, Illinois.

Sonia B. Starr

Sonja Starr joined the faculty at the University of Michigan Law School in fall 2009. Her research interests include prosecutorial conduct, sentencing law and policy, remedies for violations of criminal defendants' rights, and re-entry of ex-offenders. Before coming to Michigan Law, Prof. Starr taught at the University of Maryland School of Law and spent two years at Harvard Law School as a Climenko Fellow and Lecturer on Law. Starr has clerked for the Hon. Merrick Garland of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and for the Hon. Mohamed Shahabuddeen of the shared Appeals Chamber of the International Criminal Tribunals for Rwanda and the former Yugoslavia in The Hague. Between these clerkships, she was an associate with Goldstein & Howe, PC, in Washington, D.C., a firm specializing in U.S. Supreme Court litigation. She Starr earned her JD from Yale Law School, where she served as senior editor of the *Yale Law Journal* and was awarded the American Bar Association's annual Ross Student Writing Prize. She received her AB from Harvard, *summa cum laude*, and is also an alumna of the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program in Quantitative Methods.

Gordon Schiff

Gordon Schiff MD is a general internist and Associate Director of Brigham and Women's Center for Patient Safety Research and Practice, and Associate Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. He also serves as Safety Director for the Harvard Center for Primary Care Academic Improvement Collaborative. Dr. Schiff worked for three decades at Chicago's Cook County Hospital, where he directed the general medicine clinic. He is author of numerous articles on patient safety, diagnostic error, test management, lab-

pharmacy linkages, health IT, and medication quality improvement. He is a member of editorial boards of *Medical Care*, *Journal of Public Health Policy* and *BMJ Quality and Safety*.

Eileen Sullivan

Eileen Sullivan is an investigative reporter for The Associated Press, covering law enforcement, corrections and national security issues. Previously, she covered counterterrorism, the Department of Homeland Security for the AP and for *Congressional Quarterly* and *Federal Times*. In 2012, Sullivan and three other AP reporters won the Pulitzer, Goldsmith and Polk awards for a series of stories that revealed the New York Police Department's secret programs to spy on Muslims throughout the Northeast since Sept. 11, 2001. Sullivan began her career with the *Courier-Post* in Cherry Hill, N.J. She graduated from Villanova University.

Cara Tabachnick

For the past decade Cara Tabachnick has been reporting and writing about the American criminal justice system. She is the deputy director of the Center on Media, Crime and Justice at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, where she trains journalists across the country to report on the criminal justice system, as well as edits the daily news service *The Crime Report*. She has written widely on these issues for publications such as *The Christian Science Monitor*, *The Washington Post* magazine, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Guardian*, and *Scientific American Mind*.

Kenneth Thompson

Ken Thompson was sworn in as Brooklyn District Attorney on January 1, 2014. Since his election, the work of his newly-formed Conviction Review Unit has seen ten wrongful convictions vacated. The newly formed Violent Criminal Enterprises Bureau, which was introduced in early October, is designed to combat drug organizations and gangs who use gun violence to further their goals. Within days of its inception, the VCE Bureau dismantled a major narcotics operation at the Tilden Houses in Brownsville. Prior to his election, Thompson served as a former Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Eastern District of New York, where he was a member of the team that successfully prosecuted former New York City Police Officer Justin Volpe in the brutal beating and sodomy of Abner Louima in the 70th

Precinct stationhouse in Brooklyn in 1997. He served as a Special Assistant to the U.S. Treasury Department Undersecretary for Enforcement, and to the department's General Counsel's Office and was on the team of lawyers and federal agents that investigated the fatal raid on the Branch Davidian Compound in Waco, Texas, in 1993. Thompson graduated *magna cum laude* from John Jay College of Criminal Justice, and earned his law degree at New York University Law School, where he was awarded the prestigious Arthur T. Vanderbilt Medal for his outstanding contributions to the law school community.

Brian Vicente

Brian Vicente is a partner and founding member of Vicente Sederberg, LLC, the country's most recognized marijuana law firm. He served as the co-director of the Amendment 64 campaign and was one of the primary authors of this historic measure, which resulted in Colorado becoming the first state in the nation – and the first geographic area in the world – to make the possession, use, and regulated distribution of marijuana legal for adults. Vicente also serves as executive director of Sensible Colorado, the state's leading non-profit working for medical marijuana patients and providers.

Samuel Walker

Samuel Walker is Professor Emeritus of Criminal Justice at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. His principal area of expertise involves police accountability. He is the author of 14 books on policing, civil liberties, and crime policy. His most recent book is *The New World of Police Accountability*, 2nd ed. (with Carol Archbold, 2014). He is also the author of *Sense and Nonsense About Crime, Drugs, and Communities*, 8th ed. (2015), and *The Police in America*, 8th ed. (with Charles M. Katz, 2013). Last month, Walker testified at the initial hearings of the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing. He also served in 2013 served as an expert witness for the plaintiffs in the New York City stop and frisk trial (*Floyd v. New York City*), and he has been a consultant to the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice in its investigations of the New Jersey State Police and the Metropolitan Police Department of Washington, DC.

John Jay/H.F. Guggenheim Excellence in Criminal Justice Reporting Awards



BEST SINGLE STORY 2015

Winner:

“Before the Law”

Jennifer Gonnerman

The New Yorker

Runner-up:

“The Great American Chain Gang”

Beth Schwartzapfel

The American Prospect

BEST SERIES 2015

Winner:

“Till Death Do Us Part”

The Post and Courier investigative team:

**Doug Pardue, Jennifer Berry Hawkes,
Natalie Caulya Hauff, Glenn Smith**

Co-Runner-up:

“Hard Look at Hard Time”

The Clarion-Ledger investigative team:

**Jerry Mitchell, Jackie Mader, Sarah Butrymowicz,
Kate Royals, Monica Land**

Co-Runner-up:

“Force at the Border”

Arizona Republic

Bob Ortega, Rob O'Dell

John Jay / H.F. Guggenheim Judges:

Rossana Rosado

The Publisher and CEO since 1999 of El Diario La Prensa, the nation's oldest Spanish-language newspaper, Rossana Rosado is a veteran of 25 years in New York media. An Emmy- and Peabody Award-winning journalist, Rosado has also worked for WPIX, WCBS-AM and FM radio, and WNYC-TV 31. For three years she was Vice President for Public Affairs of the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation, serving in both the Dinkins and Giuliani administrations. Prior to becoming El Diario La Prensa's Publisher, Rosado was the newspaper's Editor in Chief, the first woman to hold that position. She maintains active affiliations with many of New York's nonprofit organizations, including the United Way of New York City, the Community Service Society of New York and the New York Women's Foundation, and is a member of the Advisory Board of the City University Graduate School in Journalism.

Megan O'Matz

Megan O'Matz is part of a team of investigative reporters for the *Sun Sentinel*. She and her colleagues have exposed widespread fraud in FEMA's disaster aid program, mismanagement and loopholes in Florida's gun licensing system, and ethical breaches in the governor's use of private jets provided by wealthy businessmen. She's written extensively about corruption in school construction, deadly incompetence in Florida's child welfare agency, and housing woes caused by the foreclosure crisis. Prior to joining the *Sun Sentinel*, Me-

gan worked for *The Pittsburgh Press*, and *The (Allentown) Morning Call*, and the *Chicago Tribune*. She is the recipient of numerous state and national honors and was a 2006 finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in investigative reporting. O'Matz won the 2013-2014 John Jay/HF Guggenheim Award for Excellence in Criminal Justice Reporting in the Series category.

Alexa Capeloto

Alexa Capeloto is Assistant Professor of Journalism, John Jay College of Criminal Justice. Capeloto was a reporter and editor at the *Detroit Free Press* until joining the *San Diego Union-Tribune* as East County bureau chief in 2005. In 2007, she was named the paper's enterprise editor, overseeing explanatory, trend and other enterprise stories. Before arriving at John Jay in 2009, she was an adjunct instructor of journalism at National University, a San Diego-based college aimed at mid-career students. Capeloto, who earned her master's degree in journalism from Columbia University in 2000, also serves as faculty adviser for John Jay's student newspaper, *The John Jay Sentinel*.

Joe Domanick

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Ted Gest

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H.F. GUGGENHEIM FELLOWS BIOGRAPHIES

Carlos Aviles

Carlos Aviles has been a reporter at *La Opinión*, the leading Spanish language paper in California, since 2011. Many of his stories have focused on how crime impacts Latino neighborhoods in Los Angeles and other cities. He has worked for Hoy Publications, a Spanish language newspaper from the Los Angeles Times Media Group, and *The Press Enterprise / La Prensa* in Riverside, covering the stories of the Latino community in the region known as the Inland Empire. Born in El Salvador, Aviles worked as correspondent in Los Angeles for *La Prensa Grafica*, the largest Central America newspaper.

Bethany Barnes

Bethany Barnes is a reporter at the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, where she covers the city of North Las Vegas while pursuing investigative projects. She has been reporting in Las Vegas since June 2013, writing about an inmate who costs taxpayers more than \$400,000 a year in medical expenses, a police-run abstinence class intended to equate premarital sex with death and, most recently, a plagiarism scandal in the agency that oversees higher education in the state. Before moving to Nevada, Bethany covered the Arizona Legislature as the 2013 Don Bolles Fellow. Barnes has a B.A. in creative writing and a master's in journalism from the University of Arizona.

Maria Cramer

For 11 years, Maria Cramer has worked at the *Boston Globe*, where she has broken news on some of the biggest stories in the city. As the *Globe's* police reporter, she covered the Craigslist Killer and Clark Rockefeller, as well as some of the most brutal homicides in Boston in recent history. The *Globe* has sent her to Guatemala, Costa Rica, London and Germany to follow not only crime stories but hot political news. One example is the successful search for undocumented workers hired by Mitt Romney at the same time he was condemning illegal immigration during his presidential run. In 2013, she was part of the team that won the Pulitzer for coverage of the Boston Marathon bombings. In 2014, she was assigned to cover the state's court system and in January will cover the Aaron Hernandez trial. She lives in Boston with her husband and two-year-old son, Gabriel.

Penny Dickerson

Penny Dickerson is a Florida-based freelance journalist whose literary approach to news produces engaging narratives across a broad spectrum. Underrepresented populations are the cornerstone of her pursuits and include *Steve Harvey* and *Essence Magazine's Dreamers Academy*, *Kongo Across the Water*, *The Kinsey Collection* and rare celebrity interviews with Frankie Beverly and Sonia Sanchez. A graduate of Leadership Jacksonville, the Freedom Forum Diversity

Institute's Minority Writers Editorial Conference, and recipient of the Four Freedoms Fund Immigration Fellowship. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism from Temple University and Master of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing from Lesley University. She is an adjunct professor of English and contributor to New America Media, EBONY.com, *The Florida Times-Union*, ARBUS, *Orlando Arts Magazine*, and the *Florida Courier*.

Raheem Hosseini

Raheem Hosseini is a staff writer for the *Sacramento News & Review*, and reports on criminal justice issues and underrepresented communities in the Sacramento region. He worked as a print and online journalist and editor in the Bay Area and northern California since 2004. Earlier this year, he was selected by the California Endowment for a week-long health reporting fellowship at the USC Annenberg School of Communications & Journalism. His recently published project concerned the rising rates of mentally ill youth in California's juvenile halls. He won the award for best investigative reporting from the California Newspaper Publishers Association for an April 4, 2013, feature on California's prison realignment plan and how state allocations were misspent locally; and was also part of the writing team that placed second in that category for a cover story on emergency room care.

Mike Kessler

Mike Kessler specializes in longform magazine writing. He is a writer-at-large for *Los Angeles* magazine, where he covers crime and other public-interest issues. His work has appeared in *Backpacker*, *Details*, *Esquire.com*, *GQ*, *Inc.*, *Los Angeles*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Men's Health*, *Men's Journal*, *Mountain Magazine*, *New York*, *The New York Times Magazine*, *Outside*, *Salon.com*, *TakePart.com*, *Wired*, Denver's 5280, and others. Best known for turning complicated crime and public-interest stories and into compelling narratives, Kessler has written about missing persons, law enforcement, nuclear-weapons workers, immigration/border policy, mountain lions, drug policy, prisoner realignment, online privacy, mental and physical health, business, philanthropy, marijuana farming, adventure travel, and a range of people who do, or have done, interesting things. A two-

time finalist for the National Magazine Award and recipient of a grant from The Investigative Fund, his work has been included in the anthology *Best American Magazine Writing*.

Katie Kuntz

Katie Kuntz is an investigative reporter with Rocky Mountain PBS I-News in Denver. Her multi-platform reporting skills include radio, television, documentary filmmaking, and newspaper reporting. Katie's work has been featured regionally in dozens of news outlets and nationally in *USA Today* and on the PBS NewsHour website. Her award-winning report, "Breaking the Cycle: Meth Addiction in Council Bluffs," became a 30-minute documentary as part of her work with the Iowa Center for Public Affairs Journalism and Iowa Public Television. It was scheduled to air Jan. 5, 2015.

Dara Lind

Dara Lind is a staff writer for Vox.com, where she covers immigration and criminal justice. Her mission is to make complex policies and ideas legible to the everyday reader — even in cases where it's hard to tell a story through the eyes of one affected individual — by telling compelling stories where the structure is the protagonist. In Vox's first nine months of existence, her work has followed the Central American migrant crisis of summer 2014; the legal standards about when police can use lethal force; and the effect of the Obama administration's shifting priorities for deporting unauthorized immigrants, among many other topics. Prior to joining Vox, she worked in immigration advocacy, bringing more transparency to immigration enforcement policy by explaining it to the public, and conducting historical and demographic research to put current debates in context.

Chelsea McDougall

Chelsea McDougall has been delving into criminal justice issues for the *Northwest Herald*, a daily newspaper in suburban Chicago for the past two years. She is a 2014 Fellow with the Institute for Justice & Journalism. Prior to reporting on criminal justice issues, McDougall was a municipal and general assignment reporter covering the gamut of local news and politics. She is a five-time Associated Press award winner, and multiple recipient of awards from the

Illinois Press Association's Excellence in news contest. She has a bachelor's degree in journalism from Western Illinois University.

Carla Murphy

Carla Murphy is a contributing editor at The Investigative Fund at The Nation Institute and a staff reporter at *Colorlines*, where she covers low-wage labor organizing, criminal justice issues, and more. She previously was a producer on Brian Lehrer.Tv, a spinoff of WNYC's popular Brian Lehrer Show; deputy research editor at *Glamour*; and editorial assistant at *O, The Oprah Magazine*. Her reporting has appeared in the *Columbia Journalism Review*, the *Christian Science Monitor*, the *American Prospect*, *Glamour*, *O, The Oprah Magazine*, and the *Daily Beast* among others. Murphy is a graduate of the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism and the London School of Economics. She was born in Barbados and raised in New York City.

Nicole Porette

Nicole Porette has been an editor since 2009 on the NY1 News Assignment Desk in New York City, where she has covered news ranging from local, community-based stories to national and international headlines. She has traveled to neighborhoods with high crime rates, interviewed members of the City Council who are dedicated to changing those numbers, and more importantly spoken with the residents and crime victims in those areas. Her role as an Assignment Editor allows her to see every side of a story and to hear firsthand the issues from those involved. She has a strong interest in criminal justice and has been focusing more of her time on these stories over the past few months.

Matt Stroud

Matt Stroud is an investigative journalist with *Bloomberg Businessweek* whose reporting has been published by the Associated Press, Reuters, *The Atlantic*, *The Nation*, *Politico*, and many others. His reporting has led to the release of two people who were wrongfully convicted of homicide. It has also preempted a prison closure, dug into a police algorithm designed to pinpoint the 400 most dangerous people in Chicago, and dug into a massive scheme playing out within a multi-billion dollar NYSE-traded company. That company is now being investigated by the SEC and the FBI. Stroud is deeply familiar with more

online information-gathering tools than he can list, but he is also comfortable scouring criminal, civil and appellate court systems in federal, state, county, and municipal courthouses nationwide.

Danielle Tcholakian

Danielle Tcholakian is local news reporter at DNAinfo.com, based in New York City, with extensive experience covering criminal justice, the NYPD and politics at the state, city and local level. She's well-sourced within the NYPD and has a good deal of insight into the day-to-day of officers on the ground, both in terms of their lived experience and their perceptions of their position within the communities they police and their institution (the Police Department). She graduated from the University of Chicago with an interdisciplinary degree in political science, social psychology and creative writing, and last year completed a fellowship on the professional ethics of journalism, sponsored by the Museum of Jewish Heritage (called the Fellowship at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics, or FASPE).

Gabriel Tynes

Gabriel Tynes is the assistant managing editor of *Lagniappe*—Mobile, Alabama's 12-year-old news weekly. A graduate of the University of South Alabama with a bachelor's degree in communications and a concentration in print journalism, Tynes has nearly nine years of professional reporting experience including positions as a reporter and an editor. His responsibilities include leading a team of three full-time reporters to provide "a little something extra for Mobile," while also coordinating and editing editorial content from at least 10 regular contributors. Hired as a reporter, he was promoted to his current position in April 2014, where he also continues to write. Tynes has regularly reported on county and local governments, law and courts and breaking news. He is also proficient in basic web development, multimedia and data journalism. *Lagniappe* has a print distribution of 25,000 copies in Mobile and Baldwin counties and counts more than 80,000 monthly readers online.

Beth Walton

Beth Walton is an award winning journalist covering social issues for the Asheville *Citizen-Times* in North Carolina. Walton

has written extensively about justice, crime and social services for more than five years. Her work has been published by *USA Today* and the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, among others. In 2009, she was awarded first place in the large circulation division for short form newswriting by the Association of Alternative Newsweeklies. Walton is also cited in Hillary Clinton's book, "It Takes a Village." Additionally, Walton has worked in the social service and nonprofit sector, giving her a unique perspective on social justice. Walton holds a master's degree from the Department of Political Science at Western Michigan University, where she studied international development. Her research focused on poverty alleviation and the implementation of aid programs in multicultural settings. She spent three years in the U.S. Peace Corps, serving in Rwanda and Kazakhstan.

Kirsten West Savali

Kirsten West Savali is the senior writer for TheRoot.com, where—as both a writer and cultural critic—she explores the intersections of race, social justice, religion, feminism, politics, and pop-culture. Her work has been featured on HuffingtonPost.com, Salon.com, DAME Magazine, ClutchMagOnline.com, EBONY.com, xoJane.com, Alternet.org, TheGrio.com, and more. West Savali's work has been studied in several college courses across the country. She has appeared on Fusion's "Alicia Menendez Tonight" to discuss rampant police brutality against Black women. And as a proud ally of the LGBTQ community, West Savali joined Michael Eric Dyson to speak at Alcorn State University's Diversity & Inclusion Summit. West Savali currently resides in Mississippi with her husband, Savali, and their three sons, Walker, Dash and Reid.

QUATTRONE FELLOWS BIOGRAPHIES

Victoria Bekiempis

Victoria Bekiempis is a senior writer for *Newsweek*. Her coverage of legal issues for the magazine has ranged from data-driven stories to man-bites-dog shorts. In the wake of the Michael Brown shooting, Bekiempis broke the story that traffic-ticketing practices have fueled racial tensions in St. Louis County, Missouri. Before joining *Newsweek*, Bekiempis worked as a reporter/producer for DNAinfo.com New York, an award-winning local news website; before that, she was a Village Voice staff writer. She has written for *The Guardian*; The Associated Press; *The Christian Science Monitor*; *Bitch: Feminist Response to Pop Culture*; the *Tampa Bay Times*; the *Bradenton (Florida) Herald*; and the *Daily Hampshire Gazette* in Massachusetts. She speaks Spanish and French. Bekiempis is from Tampa, Florida. Unsurprisingly, she is a lifelong fan of “Law & Order.”

Emily DePrang

Emily DePrang joined the *Texas Observer* in 2011 after contributing to the magazine for a decade. She specializes in long-form investigative pieces about criminal justice and public health, especially as they intersect or relate to poverty, privatization or abuse, and has received several honors including: a 2014 National Magazine Award nomination for an investigation of police brutality; a 2013 National Health Journalism Fellowship for

coverage of mental health treatment in jails; and a 2012 Public Service award from the Society of Professional Journalists for a story about children on Texas’s sex offender registry. She was also a 2014 Livingston Awards finalist and Pushcart nominee. She holds an M.F.A. in Nonfiction from the University of Arizona, where she taught, and a B. A. in English from the University of Texas. Her freelance reporting and essays have appeared in *The Atlantic*, VICE, Salon.com, and *Fourth Genre*, and have been anthologized. She lives in Houston.

Frank Stoltze

Frank Stoltze is a reporter for KPCC, the National Public Radio affiliate in Los Angeles. He covers the criminal justice system and politics. Stoltze has won numerous awards, including an LA Press Club award for an investigative series on a racist street gang and a Golden Mike for his documentary on the historic recall of California Governor Gray Davis. The LA Press Club twice named him Radio Journalist of the Year. The Society of Professional Journalists named him a Distinguished Journalist. He’s appeared on NPR, PBS, the BBC, the Associated Press Radio Network and The California Report, and serves as well as a fill-in talk show host and news anchor. Previously, Stoltze worked at Pacifica Radio in LA and KKJZ in LA as the morning anchor. He began his career covering the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power plant

and water issues along the Central Coast of California. He enjoys golf, backpacking and body surfing.

Brandt Williams

Brandt Williams has covered the city of Minneapolis for more than 20 years. For the last seven years, Brandt has worked in the Minnesota Public Radio News Minneapolis bureau covering city and county government, public safety, courts and racial disparities. Williams has produced several investigative stories on gun violence in Minneapolis and its disparate impact on the city’s black community. He has also written and produced numerous stories on the historical and ongoing rift between members of the black community and the Minneapolis police department. His regional and national awards include: a Silver Gavel, an Eric Sevareid, a Salute to Excellence Award from the National Association of Black Journalists; and he was named a finalist for the Scripps Howard Foundation’s National Journalism Award. He was also a 2004 Knight Fellow and a 2011 Guggenheim Fellow. Before coming to MPR in 2000, Williams was the executive editor of *Insight News*, the state’s largest African American-owned newspaper. Born in Flint, Michigan he graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in Speech Communications in 1991.

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