



National Criminal Justice Association Elects New Leadership

The National Criminal Justice Association (NCJA) is proud to announce its new leadership for the 2020-2021 term. Members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee were elected on December 9 at a meeting held in conjunction with the 2020 Forum on Criminal Justice

Anne Jordan, manager of criminal process and specialty dockets for the Administrative Office of the Courts in Maine was elected President of the NCJA Board of Directors and will lead the Executive Committee. Andrew LeFevre, executive director of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission was elected Vice President.

"I am both honored and humbled by the confidence placed in me by my peers who chose me to lead our organization," Jordan said. "I look forward to working with my colleagues in both the public and private sectors from across the nation as we work together to improve the criminal justice system during these challenging times."

"I am honored at being elected Vice President of NCJA by my peers around the nation," said LeFevre. "One of the strengths of our organization is the diverse collection of experience, knowledge, and opinions on criminal justice issues that are represented by our members and staff. I look forward to working in my new position to enhance NCJA's leadership role in important criminal justice conversations."

Ms. Jordan succeeds Christian Kervick, executive director of the Delaware Criminal Justice Council who served two years as president. Mr. Kervick will now serve as Immediate Past President and serve on the Executive Committee.

NCJA one of the nation's leading voices in shaping and implementing criminal justice policy. Representing state, tribal and local criminal and juvenile justice practitioners, the NCJA works to promote a balanced approach to communities' complex public safety and criminal justice system problems by coordinating juvenile justice, criminal justice and other federal programs to use limited federal funds most effectively. Its governing body is comprised of high-level state and county officials and regional representatives from across the country.

Joining Jordan, LeFevre and Kervick on the Executive Committee are four Regional Chairs: Michael Green, executive deputy commissioner, NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services; Devon McDonald, executive director, IN Criminal Justice Institute; Jennifer Brinkman, director, TN Office of Criminal Justice Programs; and Joe Thome, director, Division of Criminal Justice, CO Department of Public Safety.

New members of the Board of Directors include those listed above along with: Glenn Fueston, executive director, MD Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victims Services; Ganesha Martin, vice president of public policy and community affairs, Mark 43; Burke Fitzpatrick, director, Crime Victim Services Division, SC Attorney General; Navin Puri, senior criminal justice planner, NC Governors Crime Commission; Kellie Rabenhorst, director of federal grants and programs, NE Crime Commission; Melissa Pierson, interim director, Franklin County (OH) Office of Justice Policy and Programs; Dan Spencer, former director of administrative services, AK Department of Law; and Anthony Vidale, deputy director, AZ Criminal Justice Commission.

James Neal, director, GA Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, Christine Cole, vice president and executive director of the Crime and Justice Institute at Community Resources for Justice; Constance Kostelac, assistant professor, Medical College of Wisconsin; and Elizabeth Dunayski, director of administrative services, AK Department of Public Safety are alternates

The NCJA Board of Directors and the Executive Committee formulate and guide the policy and direction of the association.

Based in Washington, D.C., the NCJA represents state, territorial, tribal and local governments on crime prevention and public safety issues. Its members represent all facets of the criminal and juvenile justice community, from law enforcement, corrections, prosecution, defense, courts, victim-witness services and educational institutions to federal, state and local elected officials. To learn more about NCJA please visit www.ncja.org.