Biographies of Speakers/Panelists

Speakers

Governor Jerry Brown

Edmund G. Brown, Jr., known as Jerry, was born in San Francisco on April 7, 1938. He completed freshman year at the University of Santa Clara before entering Sacred Heart Novitiate, a Jesuit seminary in August 1956. In 1960, he left the Society of Jesus and enrolled at the University of California at Berkeley. He received his B.A. degree in Classics the next year and then entered Yale Law School, where he graduated in 1964. Following law school, Brown worked as a law clerk at the California Supreme Court, traveled and studied in Mexico and Latin America and then took up residence in Los Angeles, working for the prestigious law firm, Tuttle & Taylor. In 1969, Brown was elected to the Los Angeles Community College Board of Trustees. In 1970, he was elected California Secretary of State. He was elected Governor in 1974 and reelected in 1978. After his governorship, Brown lectured widely, led delegations to China and the Soviet Union, studied Spanish in Mexico, spent six months in Japan studying Japanese culture and Buddhist practice, worked with Mother Teresa in India at the Home for the Dying, and traveled to Bangladesh as a CARE ambassador of good will during the devastating floods of 1987. Brown again practiced law in Los Angeles and in 1989 became chairman of the state Democratic Party. He resigned that position in 1991, and sought the 1992 Democratic Presidential nomination, and was the only candidate other than Bill Clinton to receive enough voter support to continue until the Democratic National Convention. In 1998, Brown ran for mayor of Oakland against 11 other candidates and won in the primary with 59% of the vote. Brown was reelected as mayor in 2002, and as California's 31st Attorney General on November 6, 2006. In 2010, he was elected to his third, non-consecutive term as Governor.

Secretary Matthew Cate

Matthew Cate has served as Secretary of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation since May 16, 2008. He also serves as Chairman of both the Corrections Standards Authority and the Prison Industry Authority. In addition, in 2010, Mr. Cate was elected Regional President of the Association of State Correctional Administrators. Prior to his appointment as Secretary, Mr. Cate served for four years as the California Inspector General. As Inspector General, Mr. Cate was responsible for public oversight of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Since 2007, he has also served on the California Rehabilitation Oversight Board and, in that capacity, is responsible for reporting to the state legislature on the progress made by the Department in fulfilling its obligation to provide effective rehabilitative programs to California's inmates and parolees. Prior to becoming California's Inspector General, Mr. Cate served as a state and local prosecutor. From 1996 to 2004, he held the position of Deputy Attorney General at the California Department of Justice. From 1994 to 1996, Mr. Cate was a Deputy District Attorney for Sacramento County, last serving in a special assignment prosecuting juvenile rape and murder cases. Prior to joining the public sector,

Mr. Cate worked as a business litigation attorney with the law firm Downey, Brand, Seymour & Rohwer. He has also held several positions as an instructor of legal and law enforcement-related topics, including standards training for peace officers. Mr. Cate earned his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Oregon School of Law and a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Linfield College, where he was a National Scholar Athlete. He is a member of the California State Bar.

Texas State Representative Jerry Madden

First elected to the Texas Legislature in November of 1992 and now in his tenth term, Rep. Madden is Chairman of the House Committee on Corrections, which he chaired from 2005-2009, as well as a member of the Select Committee on Election Contest, the Redistricting Committee, and the Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Committee. Prior committee appointments have included Calendars, Public Education, House Select Committee on Public School Finance, State Affairs, Urban Affairs, Public Safety, Elections, State, Federal and International Relations, and Rules and Resolutions. Upon graduation from West Point with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Jerry spent six years in the Army, including one year in Vietnam and two years in Germany, before bringing his family to Richardson, Texas, in 1971. Madden worked 11 years for Texas Instruments, 8 years for Teledyne Geotech, and in 2000 formed Jerry Madden Insurance to offer group health plan coverage options to small businesses out of his independent agency's Plano offices. In July of 2008, he sold his company and retired from the insurance business. He obtained a Master of Science in Management and Administration Sciences from the University of Texas at Dallas in 1979. Different legislative initiatives for which he has been commended range from the highly successful 2007 criminal justice system reforms which sought to divert individuals from prison through mental health and substance abuse treatment programs, provide more opportunities in prison for rehabilitation, and properly utilize probation and parole mechanisms to avoid greater costs if new prisons were built.

John McGinness (Emcee)

John McGinness spent over 27 years experience with the Sacramento Sheriff's Department before retiring in 2010, and has served in every service area of the Department. He is a highly decorated veteran with a background in many high profile assignments. John McGinness served for many years as a member of the elite Sheriff's Motorcycle Detail where he was a training officer and team leader. He also served as a CSI investigator, homicide detective and department spokesman. John McGinness promoted through the ranks and ultimately commanded the Centralized Investigation Division until he was appointed Undersheriff in March of 2001. Mr. McGinness served as Undersheriff until elected Sheriff in 2006. He is an Adjunct Professor of Criminal Justice, Communications, Leadership and Professional Studies with the California State University. He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Public Administration and a Master of Science Degree in Emergency Services Administration from the California State University, Long Beach, and is a graduate of the prestigious West Point Leadership Institute.

Merced County Sheriff Mark Pazin; California State Sheriffs' Association President

Sheriff Mark Pazin has been the Merced County sheriff-coroner since 2002 and has served in a number of other positions in the Merced County Sheriff's Department since 1981. In August, he was appointed by Governor Brown to the Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Commission. He received a Master of Science in National Security from the American Military University.

Fresno County Chief Probation Officer Linda Penner; Chief Probation Officers of California President

Linda Penner was appointed Chief Probation Officer of Fresno County on April 1, 2005, having served in all capacities both juvenile and adult within the department since 1977. Chief Penner is President Elect for the Chief Probation Officers of California. As Chief Probation Officer, she spearheaded the construction of the new Juvenile Justice Campus, a $146 million dollar project that opened in July of 2006, the largest state-of-art juvenile justice facility in the State of California. Chief Penner is an active participant in numerous civic organizations and was recognized for her outstanding service to the community as one of Fresno County's 10 Business Women of the Year in 2004. She is on the faculty of the National Drug Court Institute and was appointed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in March 2007 to the state of California Corrections Standard Authority and the State Advisory Group on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

Riverside County Supervisor John Tavaglione; California State Association of Counties President

John Tavaglione was elected to represent the Second Supervisorial District on November 7, 1994, and was sworn into office on January 3, 1995. The Second District includes the unincorporated communities of Coronita, El Cerrito, Home Gardens, Jurupa Valley and the cities of Corona, Eastvale, Norco and the western half of the City of Riverside, excluding the La Sierra Area. John is currently Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and has presided as Chairman of the Board three times during his tenure. In 2002, he was Chairman of the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC). In February 2002, he was appointed by State Supreme Court Chief Justice, Ronald George, to the 19 member State of California Probation Services Task Force. He is also in his fifteenth year as a member of Riverside County's Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). Supervisor Tavaglione has been a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) for the past 14 years, recently being elected by the California's 58 counties to serve as their President of the association. Prior to his election to the Board of Supervisors, he served on the Riverside City Council and was a member of the Riverside Public Utilities Commission. His professional career spanned nearly 25 years as a commercial real estate executive. John received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from California Baptist University. Mr. Tavaglione is proud to be a U.S. Army veteran.

Panelists

Shasta County Sheriff Tom Bosenko

Sheriff Bosenko has over 30 years of active, progressive participation and experience with the Shasta County Sheriff's Office. Prior to his election, he was the Patrol Division Captain. Tom received his Bachelor of Science degree in Criminology from California State University Fresno in 2000, graduating with high honors. He attended the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Academy in 2001. His academic emphasis at the academy was leadership and organizational management. He completed the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Law Enforcement Command College in 2004. He completed the POST Basic Law Enforcement Academy in 1979 and received his associate of arts degree in Administration of Justice from Shasta College in 1978. Tom has earned over 2,500 hours of training from POST and other providers throughout his career.

Napa County Probation Chief Mary Butler

Chief Probation Office Mary Butler has been with the County since 1985, and supervised the adult mental health services and child welfare divisions of the Health and Human Services Department before spending five years managing the entire mental health division and child protective services. She was appointed to the chief probation position in November 2002. Butler is a licensed marriage-family therapist and holds a master's degree in counseling from Sonoma State University.

Judge Richard Couzens, ret.

J. Richard Couzens is a retired Placer County Superior Court Judge. Couzens, a Placer County native, graduated from Sierra College in 1964 with his Associate of Arts degree, where he met his future wife, Sherry Harder. From there, he moved to the University of Washington to complete his undergraduate work and received his Bachelors' degree in 1966. He received his legal degree from U.C. Davis in 1969. He began his legal career in 1969 as a law clerk to Chief Justices Roger Traynor and Donald Wright of the California Supreme Court. Couzens then went on to practice general and criminal law as a sole practitioner and partner in the firm of Couzens and Johanson in Auburn from 1970 to 1978. Couzens' judicial career began in 1977 when he was selected to serve as a Lincoln Justice Court Judge. In 1978, he was selected to serve as Auburn Justice Court Judge. Couzens performed both of these positions until 1980 when he was appointed to the post of Placer County Superior Court Judge. As a Placer County Superior Court Judge, Couzens was re-elected four times before he retired in January of 2005. In 1991 he commenced work on the Placer County Peer Court Project. The Peer Court project was selected by the California Attorney General's Office, the Judicial Council and the California State Bar Foundation as the model for California youth courts. In 1997 the project was honored with the California Judicial Council Ralph N. Klepps Award.

Although he is retired, Couzens still continues his civil service today in the Assigned Judges Program.

East Palo Alto Police Chief Ronald L. Davis

Ronald Davis was appointed Chief of Police for the City of East Palo Alto on May 31, 2005. Prior to his appointment, Chief Davis spent 19 years with the Oakland Police Department where he rose to the rank of Captain and served in assignments including Police Academy Director, Criminal Investigations Commander, Patrol Commander, and Inspector General of the Police Department. In East Palo Alto, Chief Davis has led an organizational reform and community policing effort that has increased public trust and confidence and achieved dramatic crime and violence reductions in a city once dubbed the murder capital of the United States. Since 2006 murders have dropped by over 60% and overall crime is down by over 15%. Chief Davis partnered with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to implement a model parole-reentry program that provides programming and enforcement services, as well as jobs with the California Department of Transportation. The East Palo Alto Police Department was the first and only police agency in the state to operate a CDCR-funded reentry program. Chief Davis serves as a member of the prestigious Harvard University Executive Sessions on Policing and Public Safety. He possesses a Bachelors of Science degree from Southern Illinois University (SIU) and has completed the Senior Executives in State and Local Government Program at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Mesa County, Colorado, Sheriff Stan Hilkey

Sheriff Hilkey is a 25-year veteran of the Mesa County Sheriff's Office, 20 years of that time in leadership roles. Sheriff Hilkey is serving the citizens of Mesa County in his third term since his election in 2003. Sheriff Hilkey participates in many community collaborations that have improved the Mesa County Community such as the Mesa County Methamphetamine Task Force and an executive team of Criminal Justice Leaders to implement Evidence Based Practices into all phases of the criminal justice system in Mesa County. He's provided committed leadership in Drug Law Enforcement through multi-jurisdictional efforts and is also a member and past Chairman of the Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Executive Board. He is also a member of the Colorado Peace Officers Standards and Training Board, The Colorado State Methamphetamine Task Force, and the Board of Directors for the Colorado State Sheriff's Association. Sheriff Hilkey is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, 218th Session, the Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command, 161st Session and Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police.

Santa Cruz Board Supervisor John Leopold

John Leopold was elected to the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors in November 2008. He represents the First District, which includes Live Oak, Soquel, and the Summit Area. John previously served on the Cabrillo College Governing Board for 8 years,

leading the effort to pass a bond for the college in 2004. As a member of the Board of Supervisors, John serves on the Jail Overcrowding Task Force and is a founding member of Smart On Crime Santa Cruz County. Smart On Crime is leading public forums on the policy changes regarding prison realignment in Santa Cruz County. Last year, he successfully drafted an ordinance on vacation rentals in the county and a new set of water policies for the Santa Cruz County Local Area Formation Commission.

Napa County District Attorney Gary Lieberstein

Gary Lieberstein was first elected Napa County District Attorney in 1998 and was re-elected to his third term in 2006. He attended UCLA and graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in political science in 1976. Lieberstein received his law degree from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law in 1979. Following three years in private practice, Lieberstein began his prosecution career as a deputy district attorney in Napa County in 1985. During his 13 years as a line prosecutor, Lieberstein handled more than 250 jury trials of every nature of crime, from driving under the influence to murder. Lieberstein is the vice-chair of the Napa County Child Abuse Council, past president of the Board of Directors of the Volunteer Center of Napa County and a Board member of If Given A Chance Foundation. Additionally, Lieberstein is a member and officer of the board of directors of the California District Attorneys Association and serves as the chairperson of the state Victims Rights Committee.

Santa Cruz Probation Chief Scott MacDonald

Scott MacDonald is the Probation Chief of the Santa Cruz County Probation Department and is responsible for the juvenile hall and probation services. He has been a Probation Officer with the department since 1984, working equally in the juvenile and adult probation systems. Scott Holds a Master of Science Degree in Administration of Justice from San Jose State University and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from the University of California Santa Cruz. Chief Macdonald has been an instrumental and guiding force in reforming the juvenile justice system in Santa Cruz, which is now a recognized national model. This reform has resulted in nearly a 60 percent reduction in juvenile incarceration, greater use of community programs for youth, and improved public safety outcomes.

Napa Police Chief Richard Melton

Chief Richard Melton attended community college in San Luis Obispo and in 1977 became a reserve Police Officer. Later that same year, he was hired by the Farmington (New Mexico) Police Department, where he was promoted to Police Chief in 1990. In 1998, he left Farmington and moved to Los Alamos County, New Mexico to accept the position of Police Chief where he remained until 2004. Throughout his career he has had the opportunity to work with a variety of community initiatives involving youth, narcotics and leadership development. In August 2004, Rich relocated to Napa and was hired by the City of Napa to replace the outgoing Police Chief. Chief Melton's education

and training include: B.A. in Management, Graduate – FBI National Academy, Northwestern University School of Staff and Command.

Dr. Geraldine Nagy, Director of Travis County, Texas Community Supervision

Dr. Nagy was appointed Director of the Travis County Community Supervision and Corrections Department (Adult Probation) and Pretrial Services on January 1, 2005. Prior to her appointment, Dr. Nagy held the position of Deputy Director for the Community Justice Assistance Division (CJAD) of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) where she focused on bringing evidence-based practices to community corrections programs statewide. Dr. Nagy is a member of several national advisory boards and work groups regarding evidence-based sentencing and local decision-making and has worked with the National Center for State Courts to develop training for the judiciary on these topics. Most recently, she has co-authored A Ten-Step Guide to Transforming Probation Departments to Reduce Recidivism based on her work in Travis County.

Lisa Naito, Former Multnomah County (Oregon) Commissioner

Lisa Naito is co-owner of the public policy consulting firm of Hooley & Naito in Oregon. Lisa is a former Deputy District Attorney, Oregon State Representative and Multnomah County Commissioner (Portland, Oregon). She was Chair of the National Association of Counties Justice and Public Safety Committee and the Oregon Association of Counties Public Safety Committee. For 8 years, she chaired the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council with membership including the Mayors of Portland and Gresham, Sheriff, Public Defender, District Attorney, County Mental Health and Addictions Director, State Legislators, Chief Criminal Judge, Chief Presiding Judge, County Department of Human Services Director, United States Attorney for Oregon, Health Department Director, Chief of Police for Portland and Gresham, County Chair, Domestic Violence Coordinator and the Director of the Community Justice Department.

Solano County Sheriff Gary R. Stanton

Sheriff Stanton entered law enforcement with the Solano County Sheriff's office on November 1, 1972. He was appointed to the office of Sheriff-Coroner by the Solano County Board of Supervisors on May 7, 2001, and elected to the office of Sheriff-Coroner in March 2002. In June 2006, he was elected to a second term of office, and to a third term in June 2010. He is a graduate of the 190th session of the F.B.I. National Academy in1997.

Ventura County District Attorney Gregory D. Totten; President, California District Attorneys Association

Elected district attorney in March 2002, Greg Totten assumed office on November 1, 2002. He was re-elected to his third term in 2010. A career prosecutor, Mr. Totten joined the Ventura County District Attorney's Office in 1982. After serving trial assignments

and supervisory roles throughout the divisions of the office, he was appointed Chief Assistant District Attorney in 1999. Throughout his professional career, he has worked to protect public safety and to expand the rights of crime victims. He also served as executive director of the California District Attorneys Association from 1993 to 1996, managing the association's training efforts and acting as its chief spokesperson for legislative changes designed to better protect the citizens of California. Mr. Totten was also the founding executive director of the Institute for the Advancement of Criminal Justice.

Dr. Marie VanNostrand

A national expert in pretrial services, risk assessment, alternatives to detention and jail population management, Dr. Marie VanNostrand is a Project Manager with Luminosity, Inc., a criminal justice consulting firm specializing in the pretrial stage of the criminal justice system. Dr. VanNostrand is a consultant for the National Institute of Corrections (NIC), National Institute of Justice (NIJ), and Office of Probation and Pretrial Services (OPPS). She served as the lead researcher for the pretrial release and detention risk prediction study for the federal court and developed the Virginia Pretrial Risk Assessment Instrument. In addition, she is the author of Legal and Evidence Based Practices: Application of Legal Principles, Laws, and Research to the Field of Pretrial Services published by the National Institute of Corrections. Dr. VanNostrand earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Syracuse University, and Masters Degrees in Public Administration and Urban Studies and a Ph.D. in Public Policy from Old Dominion University.

Judge Roger K. Warren, ret.

Judge Roger K. Warren is the President Emeritus of the National Center for State Courts (NCSC). He served as President of the NCSC from 1996 until 2004. He currently serves as Director of the NCSC's national sentencing reform project and as a principal consultant to the NCSC and Pew Charitable Trusts' Public Safety Performance Project. He also serves as Scholar-in-Residence at the Judicial Council of California where he coordinates the California Administrative Office of the Courts' implementation of evidence-based practices to reduce offender recidivism. Previously, Judge Warren served as a trial judge in Sacramento, California for twenty years, serving as the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in 1991 and 1992. He created Sacramento's pre-trial release program, and was the Founder and First Chair of the Sacramento Probation Oversight Committee, the Sacramento Intermediate Punishments Committee, and the Sacramento Criminal Justice Cabinet. As Presiding Judge of the Sacramento Juvenile Court, Judge Warren founded Sacramento's Multi-Disciplinary Child Interview Center, Sacramento Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), and Sacramento Child Advocates, Inc., the non-profit professional corporation responsible for providing legal representation to minors in all Sacramento abuse and neglect proceedings. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Warren was the Executive Director of Northern California Legal Services. He graduated from Williams College and following a Fulbright Fellowship to Iran

received a MA Degree in Political Science and JD degree from the University of Chicago where he served as an editor of the University of Chicago Law Review.