

SACJJDP Member Profiles

Joe Baca Jr., of Rialto was appointed to the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on November 27, 2024. Baca has been a Supervisor at the San Bernardino Board of Supervisors since 2020. He was a Teacher at Rialto Unified School District from 2009 to 2020. Baca was a Member of the Rialto City Council from 2007 to 2020. He was a Member of the California State Assembly from 2004 to 2006. Baca was a Probation Officer at San Bernardino County from 1995 to 2001. He was a Correctional Officer at the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation from 1994 to 1995. Baca received a Master of Education degree from Azusa Pacific University, a Master of Public Administration from California State University, San Bernardino and a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from California State University, San Bernardino.

The Honorable Brian Back of Camarillo was appointed to the SACJJDP on December 18, 2012. After 20 years on the bench, including serving as Presiding Judge and Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court, he retired from the Ventura County Superior Court in 2018. He was an attorney with Arnold Back Mathews Wojkowski and Zirbel LLP from 1990 to 1997, Arnold and Back from 1989 to 1990, and Nordman Cormany Hair and Compton LLP from 1977 to 1989. He earned a Master of Arts degree in government from Claremont Graduate School and a Juris Doctorate degree from the Santa Clara University School of Law. He has taught numerous courses related to juvenile law and delinquency prevention. He is also a past member of the California Judicial Council as well as the Council's Juvenile & Family Law Advisory Committee.

Isaiah Barber, of Moreno Valley, was appointed to the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on November 27, 2024. Barber has been a Youth Life Coach at the Anti-Recidivism Coalition since 2024.

Carol Biondi of Los Angeles was appointed to the SACJJDP on November 28, 2005. Ms. Biondi has served as a Commissioner on the Los Angeles County Commission for Children and Families since 1999. She also serves as a Board Member for The National Children's Defense Fund, the Anti-Recidivism Coalition and ManifestWorks.

Dr. B.J. Davis of Elk Grove was appointed to the SACJJDP on November 9, 2016. Dr. Davis is the owner of Davis Consulting, and the Senior Manager of Training and Clinical Quality at WellSpace Health. He recently served as the Executive Director of Strategies for Change Substance Abuse and Co-occurring Mental Health Treatment Agency. In addition to his work at WellSpace Health, Dr. Davis is an Adjunct Professor in the Forensic and Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program at Alliant International University, is a consultant to the Sacramento Aids Housing Alliance, and is the past vice chair of the CAADAC Counselor Certification Board.

Dr. Davis is active in conducting research that focuses on treatment effectiveness and outcomes and is recognized for his innovative work in treatment approaches based on Choice Theory and Motivational Interviewing. Recently, Dr. Davis has facilitated several workshops related to the psychology of the Black Lives Matter (BLM) movement and its impact on providing recovery related services for African-American clients. Dr. Davis holds a doctor of psychology in Clinical Psychology, a masters of arts in Psychology, a masters of science in Community Counseling,

and is licensed by the California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPPP)

Carly B. Dierkhising, PhD, was appointed to the SACJJDP on May 11, 2016. Dr. Dierkhising is an Associate Professor at Cal State LA in the School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics. She holds a doctorate in Developmental Psychology and a masters in Clinical Psychology. Dr. Dierkhising is committed to developing actionable research and translating research to practice and policy in order to improve the lives of trauma-exposed and system-involved youth. Prior to coming to Cal State LA, she worked for the National Center for Child Traumatic Stress on various initiatives to create trauma-informed child welfare and juvenile justice systems. Clinically trained, Dr. Dierkhising has also worked at a Los Angeles County Probation Camp as a clinical intern. Her publications and research grants are on topics related to trauma-informed gang intervention, trauma and delinquency, crossover or dual system youth, commercial sexual exploitation of youth, and creating trauma-informed systems.

Michael Duncan, of Woodland, was appointed to the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on November 27, 2024. Duncan has been Executive Director at Native Dads Network Inc. since 2014. He was a Substance Abuse Counselor at Northern Valley Indian Health Inc. from 2016 to 2021.

Cristian Franco, of Yolo, was appointed to the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on November 27, 2024. Franco has been a Policy and Program Coordinator at Motivating Individual Leadership for Public Advancement since 2017.

Michelle Guymon of West Covina was appointed to the SACJJDP on October 31, 2019. Ms. Guymon has served in multiple positions at the Los Angeles County Probation Department since 1989, including group supervisor, deputy probation officer, supervising deputy probation officer, and probation director. She earned a Master of Social Welfare degree in social work from California State University, San Bernardino

Susan Harbert of Pacific Palisades was appointed to the SACJJDP on January 19, 2007. Ms. Harbert is currently Staff Attorney at the Juvenile Innocence and Fair Sentencing Clinic at Loyola Law School and has served as Special Legislative Counsel to the Center for Juvenile Law and Policy at Loyola Law School since 2006. She previously was Executive Vice President of Series Development for MGM Television from 1989 to 1992 and worked for ABC Entertainment as a Director and Executive Producer from 1986 to 1989.

Monte Magic Mckay, of Los Angeles, was appointed to the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on November 27, 2024. Mckay is a member of Anti-Recidivism Coalition, Healing Dialogue and Action and Underground Scholars Initiative.

Kent Mendoza of Los Angeles was appointed to the SACJJDP on November 9, 2016. Mr. Mendoza is the Manager of Advocacy and Community Organizing at the ARC. Mr. Mendoza is also the Spokespersons for the Campaign For Youth Justice (CFYJ) based out of Washington D.C. Mr. Mendoza was appointed to serve as an at-large community representative for the fifth supervisorial district to the Los Angeles Countywide Juvenile Justice Coordinated Council (JJCC) in 2018 and was re-appointed in 2020. Mr. Mendoza was also selected as

an Aspen Institute Ricardo Salinas Scholar in 2018. He recently served as a lead Youth Justice Work Group consultant under the Burns Institute (BI) in LA County to develop a report with recommendations on moving youth out of the County's probation department completely. Mr. Mendoza previously worked at the LA Area Chamber of Commerce on smart justice issues where he held several positions from 2014 to 2016, including Senior Administrative Assistant, Assistant, and intern. Mr. Mendoza completed the 2015 Commission Training Program offered by the Wally Mark Leadership Institute from the Liberty Hill Foundation.

Dr. Tecoy Porter Sr., of Elk Grove, was appointed to the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on November 27, 2024. Porter has been Senior Pastor at Genesis Missionary Baptist Church, Inc. since 1999 and President and Executive Director at the National Action Network Sacramento Chapter since 2018. He was an Adjunct Professor at William Jessup University School of Business from 2013 to 2018. Porter was an Adjunct Professor at Epic Bible College School of Graduate Studies from 2014 to 2018. He is a Senior Fellow at the American Leadership Forum. Porter earned a Doctor of Business Administration in Strategic Leadership & Leadership Coaching from Regent University, a Master of Business Administration from California State University, Sacramento and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music from California State University, Sacramento.

Tyrique Shipp, of Los Angeles, was appointed to the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on November 27, 2024. Shipp has been an Advocacy and Community Organizing Associate at Anti-Recidivism Coalition since 2024, where he was a Policy and Community Organizing Fellow from 2023 to 2024. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from California State University, Northridge.

Dr. Mimi Silbert of San Francisco was appointed to the SACJJDP on April 19, 2005. Dr. Silbert has served as Chief Executive Officer and President of the Delancey Street Foundation since 1974. She was the Director for the Center for Institutional Change at San Francisco State University from 1973 to 1975. Dr. Silbert earned her Doctorate in Criminology from the University of California, Berkeley.

Dante Williams of Sacramento was appointed to the SACJJDP on November 9, 2016. Mr. Williams has been a youth advocate Manager at Stanford Youth Solutions since 2016, where he was a Lead Youth Advocate from 2011 to 2016. He has been a Volunteer Juvenile Justice Chaplain at the Sacramento County Probation Department since 2010. Mr. Williams is Co-chair of the Sacramento County Mental Health Services Act Steering Committee.