



ANNUAL CONFERENCE
April 26th-28th, 2021
First Virtual Zoom Webinar

Enhancing Professional
Excellence in Misdemeanant
Probation Through Education & Training



MPA 2021 ABOUT US

The Misdemeanant Corrections Association was organized in 1971 by misdemeanant probation directors to increase the quality, continuity, and effectiveness of misdemeanant probation services within Washington State. We changed our name in 2018 to Misdemeanant Probation Association to more accurately reflect our profession.

Goals of the association include:

Enhancement of professional excellence in misdemeanant probation;

Coordination of misdemeanant services statewide;

Collecting data for evaluation and informational purposes;

Development and support of legislation pertaining to misdemeanant probation;

Promoting the development of new misdemeanant probation programs;

Establishing guidelines for misdemeanant probation services;

Providing information to the community about misdemeanant probation services and encouraging the utilization of community resources for offenders;

Working in cooperation with government and private organizations involved in probation services.

WELCOME FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Greetings and welcome to all MPA conference attendees,

On behalf of the Misdemeanant Probation Association's Board of Directors, I would like to welcome you to the 2021 annual MPA Training Conference from wherever you are joining us today. It goes without saying that the last year has been a challenging one and I join you in disappointment that we cannot all meet in person. We will all miss the networking and comradery of an in-person conference, seeing old friends and making new ones. Despite this I want you all to know how hard the board has worked to put together the best conference possible. The presenters and the information they will provide you over the next few days is the same as we would have had in person.

I appreciate the work that all of you do and how we have risen to the challenges of the last year. As probation officers we are Agents of Change. Perhaps now more than ever the people we supervise need our support, guidance, and positive influence. Trainings such as this one will allow us all to hone our skills and to learn new ones. The more we know, the more we can pass on to others.

If you are interested in serving your fellow probation officers, please consider one of the open MPA board positions we have available. This is an awesome opportunity to meet other officers from around the state, make positive changes to our field and have your voice heard in the MPA.

I look forward to seeing all of you (in person!) at the Heathman Lodge in Vancouver next year.

Cathy Oakes, MPA President

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Board meetings are held quarterly and all members are welcome to attend.

Go to <u>www.wa-mpa.org</u> or contact a MPA Board member to learn the date, time, and location of the next meeting.

*Meetings have been held on Zoom since Covid.

GET INVOLVED

Serving on the MPA Board is a great way to network and learn about how probation works in Washington State. Board members meet quarterly at an agreed upon location (recently on Zoom) to discuss items and issues going on in the realm of probation. This is a great opportunity to gain experience with a state organization and insight to the future of probation. Below are the upcoming available positions with the MPA Board. Nominations for these positions will occur at the Business Meeting lunch.

Vice President (3 years total executive board position) – At the request of the President, or in the event of his or her absence or disability, the Vice-President shall perform the duties and possess and exercises the powers of the President. To the extent authorized by law, the Vice-President shall have such powers as given by the Board of Directors, and shall perform such other duties as they may be assigned. The Vice-President will assume the role of President following their first term and a term as Past-President following Presidency.

Treasurer (2 year executive board position) – The Treasurer shall have the custody of all funds, property, and securities of the Corporation. They may endorse on behalf of MPA collection, checks, notes and other obligations and deposit the same to the credit at the bank. They will be responsible for making payments as necessary, keeping regular books, yearly budget, maintaining current membership roster and recording annual dues and shall perform other duties as requested by the Board of Directors.

Education & Training (2 year co-chair position) – The position develops the education and training components of the MPA conference (ex. Securing conference location, catering, vendors, planning the itinerary/speakers, hosting the conference), developing any additional education opportunities for MPA members, providing information on any upcoming education/training from outside agencies to MPA members, and conducting long-range planning to identifying the training needs of members.

Nominations (2 year term) – This position is responsible for managing annual MPA awards and the Nominations Committee who will select award winners. In addition, this position also holds open nominations for board member positions, holds annual elections, certifies results, and reports said results to general membership.

Technology (2 year term) – The Technology chair shall function as the MPA liaison within the JIS IT Governance structure; maintain forums of discussion in regards to technology developments in the court system; maintain or suggest any updates to audio visual and technological equipment needed/owned by MPA; additionally other duties as assigned.

Membership (1 year term) – The position establishes and maintains contact with misdemeanant probation departments throughout the State of Washington, solicits professional and associate membership and makes recommendations for honorary membership, and publishes a statewide directory of probation offices through the State of Washington.

CONFERENCE AGENGA

Monday April 26, 2021

Time	CEU's	Topic	Speaker
8:30-9a		Opening Remarks Cathy Oakes	, Bryan Farrell, Omar Gamez
9-9:30a	.5	Opening Address	Judge Kristen Parcher
9:30-9:45a		Break/LifeSafer Presentation	Zac Johannas
9:45-11:30a	1.75	WA State Probation Database Demonstration	n Jennifer Burnam
11:30-12p		Vendor Presentation - Smart Start	Pamela Young
12p to 1p		Lunch	
1-2:30p 1.5		After the Conviction	Mark Stodola, Chris Konschak
2:30-2:45p		Break/Track Group Presentation	Miranda Follis
2:45-4:30p	1.75	One Million DUI's	Mark Stodola, Chris Konschak
4:30p		Closing Remarks/Giveaway	Omar & Bryan

Tuesday April 27, 2021

Time	CEU's	Topic	Speaker
8:30a		Opening Remarks	Omar & Bryan
8:30-10a	1.5	DV Moral Reconation Therapy	Mindy Breiner
10-10:15a		Break/Moon Security Presentation	Sara McDaniel
10:15-11:30a	1.75	Interstate Compact	Tanja Gilmore
11:30-12p		MPA Awards Ceremony	
12-1p		Lunch	
1-2:30p	1.5	The Risk Principle & Following the Research	Kathy Waters
2:30-2:45p		Break/ WASPC Presentation	Raeanne Myers
2:45-4:30p	1.75	The Risk Principle & Following the Research	Kathy Waters
4:30p		Closing Remarks/Giveaways	Omar & Bryan

Wednesday April 28, 2021

Time	CEU's	Topic	Speaker
8:30- 9:15a	.75	Comings and Goings	James Henderson
9:15-10a	.75	Offender Accountability 1	James Henderson
10-10:15a		Break	Omar & Bryan
10:15-11:15a	1	Offender Accountability 2	James Henderson
11:15-12:15pm	1	MPA Business Meeting via Zoom Meeting	7
12:15 to 12:30ր	om	Closing Remarks	Omar & Bryan

Jennifer Burnam – Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts

Jenn Burnam started with the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) in May 2014 as a Court Technology Educator and later moved to the CLJ-CMS team as a business analyst in August 2019. She is experienced in many aspects of court business including criminal and infraction, probation services, civil and small claims and vehicle related violations. In addition, she is skilled in the Judicial Information System (JIS), Judicial Access Browser System (JABS), Electronic Ticket Processing (ETP) and the data warehouse query tool, Business Intelligence Tool (BIT).

During her five years as an educator she was responsible for teaching court staff how to use these systems and work with various court and probation associations to provide user support. Now as a business analyst she is responsible for gathering, reviewing and aligning business needs with a new statewide case management systems for courts and probation services.

Prior to joining the team at the AOC she worked for Mason County District Court for fourteen years. There she covered a wide range of duties from answering phones to courtroom clerk. However, her primary role was a probation clerk where she managed the unsupervised/bench probation caseload as well as having worked closely with the Probation Officer at the active probation level.

Mark Stodola - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

As National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Probation Fellow, Mark Stodola brings over 30 years of experience working in the field of court management and adult probation in Arizona. Mark worked at the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department for 18 years serving in a number of capacities including division director overseeing drug and alcohol treatment programs, problem solving courts and services for the mentally ill. Mark later became the Court Administrator of the Tempe Municipal Court where he served for eight years managing the day to day activities of the court. Most recently Mark served as Program Services Manager in the Adult Probation Services Division of the Arizona Supreme Court where he had oversight of treatment programs for Arizona's Adult Probation Departments. Mark has presented training on topics surrounding high risk drunk drivers at national, regional and state conferences throughout the country. Mark also is an adjunct instructor at Arizona State University.

Mark received his undergraduate degree in History from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and his Master's Degree in Education from Northern Arizona University. Mark became a Graduate Fellow through the National Council of State Courts Institute of Court Management.



Chris Konschak

Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility

Senior Director Traffic Safety and Government Relations

Chris is an impaired driving/traffic safety professional and lawyer with over 30 years' experience. He joined Responsibility.org as Senior Director of Traffic Safety and Government Relations in 2020. He spent the last 17 years as Director of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Virginia. Chris began his career as a Congressional Aide with US Senator Alan Cranston. He has also worked as the Director of the Virginia Federation of Communities for Drug-Free Youth, the Director of Offender Aid and Restoration, the Public Safety Planner for the City of Richmond, VA, and an Administrator with Virginia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Services. He has devoted his career to serving others and working to prevent impaired driving. Chris earned his JD from Howard University School of Law and his BA in Political Science and Speech Communications from the University of Richmond.

Mindy Breiner

Case Manager, Tukwila Municipal Court

Mindy is the sole Case Manager for Tukwila Municipal Court and oversees their Jail Alternative Programs. Prior to joining Tukwila in 2000, she worked for the King County Jail for 9 years in various positions including Corrections Officer and Personal Recognizance Screener.

Mindy is actively involved in the Washington State Misdemeanant Probation Association and currently serves as Treasurer. She has represented MPA on the CLJ-CMS Court User Work Group since 2014 and participated in developing the Misdemeanant Probation Association's Core Probation Guidelines and DUI Supervision Manual. Mindy is the lead facilitator for the Misdemeanant Probation Counselor Academy and restructured the entire curriculum over the last several years.

Mindy holds a bachelor's degree in Speech Communication from the University of Washington. She became certified to facilitate Domestic Violence Moral Reconation Therapy in 2015 and is currently offering four classes a week to participants from 11 different courts.





Tanja Gilmore

Interstate Compact

Ms. Gilmore graduated Southeast Missouri State University in 1990 with a B.S. in Criminal Justice and minor in Psychology. Upon graduation she became employed in her native Missouri Bootheel with the Missouri Department of Corrections as a Probation & Parole Officer before transitioning into the substance abuse field where she was a counselor and program facility manager. Ms. Gilmore returned to the Missouri Department of Corrections in 1995 as a PPO Sex Offender Specialist until 2001. While employed as a PPO Sex Offender Specialist, Ms. Gilmore was a staff trainer for Missouri DOC's CBT Program. During her years of employment in Missouri State Government, Ms. Gilmore was employed by the Division of Family Services and the Department of Rehabilitation. She has several years of experience as a substitute school teacher and became involved with Kids Across America during the summers of 2007, 2008 and 2009. In 2009, she moved to Virginia where she became employed with the Virginia Department of Corrections as a Probation Parole Officer from 2010 through 2015 and held the positions of an ICOTS Officer and a Gang Specialist/Intensive Supervision Officer. During her time with VA DOC, she was a T4C facilitator, completed EPICS, MI and Dialogue training. She is also a graduate from the VA Corridors Program. Ms. Gilmore moved to Walla Walla, Washington in October 2015 where she held the position of CCO2. She accepted the promotion for WA DCA in May, 2016.

Kathy Waters

Ms. Waters has over 37 years of criminal justice experience. She began her career with the Oklahoma Department of Corrections in 1984 as a Probation and Parole Officer. In 1989, she served the Department in the capacity of Training Coordinator of CLEET (The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training). From December of 1989 until September of 1994, she was the District Supervisor of Probation and Parole, District V, in Enid. In September 1994, she was appointed the Deputy Director of Offender Services. Ms. Waters was named the Deputy Director of Probation and Parole/Community Corrections on March 17, 1997. She served in this capacity until January 2001, at which time she became the Division Director of the Adult Probation Services Division for the Administrative Office of the Courts, Arizona Supreme Court. Ms. Waters has led the initiative of Evidence Based Practices in Probation and Pretrial in the state as outlined in the Supreme Court's Strategic Agendas with outstanding and promising results. In 2015 she received the Supreme Court's Strategic Agenda Award for her efforts in implementing Evidence Based Pretrial Services in Arizona. In June 2016, she was awarded the Courts Administration of Justice Award recognizing her contributions and impacts to Arizona Probation and the Courts over a long period of time. In 2017, Ms. Waters was the recipient of the George M. Keiser Award for exceptional leadership from the National Association of Probation Executives. In 2018 she received the Susan Hunter Award from the Association of Women Executives of Corrections. Ms. Waters recently retired from the Supreme Court AOC after 19.5 years of service.

James Henderson

Jim is a technical assistance provider for the US Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women through the Battered Women's Justice Project. From 1991-2008 Jim was a probation officer responsible for overseeing the policies and practices of Intensive Probation for Domestic Violence offenders in Ann Arbor MI. He was assigned to the Washtenaw County Domestic Violence Unit as part of the Judicial Oversight Demonstration Initiative from 1999 to 2005 and works from a system perspective to enhance victim's safety and defendant accountability. He has provided batterer intervention within the Detroit metropolitan area since 1995. Before joining the criminal justice system in 1993, he worked as the clinical director of Straight, Inc., a family oriented substance abuse program for drug using young people and their families.

In 1998, Jim was appointed by the Mayor of Ann Arbor to serve on the Ann Arbor Domestic Violence Coordinating Board. He has served two terms as a Regional Representative for the Batterer Intervention Services Coalition of Michigan and has been active with them since 1997. He has also been an active member of the Arab American Domestic Violence Coalition from 2001-2006. In 2002 he received a certificate of appreciation for outstanding service on behalf of crime victims from the Washtenaw County Prosecutors office.

Jim has designed and conducted training's, on the effective interviewing of domestic violence offenders and victims. He has endeavored to change the focus of the victim interview from that of "information gatherer" to that of "information provider". Jim trains on the utilization of probation group reporting to gain better compliance, using the community to assist in the monitoring of batterers, thus enhancing the safety of those victimized by the violence. Jim has been faculty for several organizations including the multiple probation and parole associations, The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges Association, VERA institute of Justice, the Michigan Judicial Institute, Batterer Intervention Services Coalition of Michigan, Greenbook, The Battered Women's Justice Project, American Probation & Parole Association, The National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies, the American Prosecutors Research Institutes National Institute on the Prosecution of Domestic Violence., The National Collage of District Court Attorneys Domestic Violence Conference, Praxis International, and The Presidents Family Justice Centers.





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