

SJ47 Joint Subcommittee to Study Mental Health Services in Virginia in the 21st Century
Expert Advisory Panel on Housing

Christie Marra

Since September, 2004, Christie Marra has been a staff attorney with the Virginia Poverty Law Center, Inc. specializing in family law, children's rights and legal issues related to rental housing. Prior to coming to the Virginia Poverty Law Center, Inc. she worked as a family and housing law attorney for Central Virginia Legal Aid Society, Inc. in Richmond for thirteen years and before that worked briefly as a staff attorney for the local legal aid program serving the seven counties in far southwest Virginia. Ms. Marra earned her J.D. from the T.C. Williams School of Law at the University of Richmond in 1991 and earned a B.A. from the University of Virginia in 1988. Ms. Marra was a member of the former First Lady's *For Keeps* advisory panel and is an *ad hoc* member of the Virginia League of Social Services Executive's Child and Family Services committee. She also recently joined the Board of Directors of Housing Opportunities Made Equal. Ms. Marra was the recipient of the Family Law Service Award by the Family Law Section of the Virginia State Bar in 2010 and received the Virginia Legal Aid Award from the VSB in 2014.

Mira Signer

Mira Signer has served as NAMI Virginia's Executive Director since July 2007. Along with public policy, grassroots advocacy, program development, and nonprofit expertise, Mira brings her personal experiences, challenges, and lessons learned of friends and loved ones' with mental illness, which is part of her motivation to reduce stigma of mental illness and improve Virginia's mental health system. In her role as Executive Director, Mira provides direction and leadership toward the achievement of NAMI Virginia's mission and philosophy. Mira has served on the Governor's Coordinating Council on Homelessness, the Virginia Coalition to End Homelessness's Permanent Supportive Housing Advisory Council, the Ongoing Treatment & Supports Workgroup of the Governor's Task Force on Mental Health Services and Crisis Response, the Virginia Public Guardian and Conservatorship Board, and NAMI's national State Advocacy Advisory Team. Mira received her Masters in Social Work-Administration, Planning, and Policy Practice from Virginia Commonwealth University and a Certificate in Nonprofit Management from VCU. In 2011 Ms. Signer was recognized as one of *Style Weekly's Top 40 Under 40*. Mira received her undergraduate degree from James Madison University where she was a varsity student-athlete and active in JMU's Community Service-Learning program.

Alice Tousignant

Alice Tousignant began working with HD Advisors after retiring as the executive director of Virginia Supportive Housing. Alice provides advocacy related to State and national affordable housing and homelessness policy and funding. She also provides technical assistance to non-profit organizations on fundraising, including grant-writing and Board development, and on homelessness policy and programs. Alice also provides administrative support to HDAdvisors.

Alice holds a Masters of Social Work in Administration and Planning from VCU and a Bachelors degree in Sociology from the University of R. I. She was the executive director of Virginia Supportive Housing, a statewide non-profit that ends homelessness by providing permanent housing and supportive services. Alice was also the director of the Virginia Housing Coalition, was a Planning and Facilitation Consultant and served as the Associate Director of Housing at the VA Department of Housing and Community Development where she was responsible for implementing the state and federal homeless programs.

Kristin Yavorsky

Kristin Yavorsky, MSW, Homeless Projects Coordinator at Virginia DBHDS, has more than twenty years' experience in developing and managing community mental health services, including more than fifteen years' experience leading innovative supportive housing initiatives in Virginia and New York City. She has additional expertise in PACT (Programs of Assertive Community Treatment); mainstream and homelessness housing resources; and the use of Medicaid funding to support adults with serious mental illness in the community. She is currently the Co-Chair of the Virginia Healthcare and Housing Leadership Team whose activities fall under the activities of the Governor's Coordinating Council on Homelessness.

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Dean Barker, Hampton/Newport News CSB

Dean Barker is a Certified Substance Abuse Counselor through Virginia Board of Professional Counselors (1997) and has been working in mental health field since 1988. Dean has over 24 years' experience as a Certified Prescriber with the Hampton-Newport News Community Services. He currently serves as CIT Coordinator for the Hampton-Newport News area since forming the program in 2007 and also serves as the CSB's Manager of Forensic Services. The later comprised of restoration to competency efforts, psychiatric operations in local correctional facilities, jail diversion operations, court liaison and the CSBs mental health court docket coordinator. Dean is a member of the Virginia CIT Coalition's Leadership team and chairs the Coalition's CIT Training subcommittee. He has led and participated in over 100 CIT trainings across the Commonwealth of Virginia and Maryland over the past nine years. Honored as Virginia CIT Coordinator of the year 2014; recipient of the Hampton Sheriff's Office Public Service Award 2015, Hampton Citizen of the Year 2008 and recognized by the Hampton City Mayor's office in 2008 for his work with persons suffering with behavioral health disabilities.

Damien Cabezas

Damien Cabezas is currently the Chief Executive Officer at Horizon Behavioral Health. Prior to coming to Horizon, Damien served as the Chief Operating Officer at Catholic Charities, the 9th largest US charity. Damien has twenty plus years of executive management experience in healthcare, behavioral health and reentry. He has spearheaded large-scale medical, mental health, substance abuse, reentry and housing programs, as well as social enterprises within the non-profit sector. He has held oversight responsibilities for alternative to incarceration programs that collaborated with drug courts and mental health courts in New York. Damien's expertise regarding social impact bonds led Santa Clara County in California to issue an RFA that used social impact bonds as a method for financing mental health and housing services. Damien has served as Chair and has been a member of several talent management, health, criminal justice, housing, workforce development and social enterprise committees/taskforces. He currently sits on the Board of Directors and serves as Chair of the Finance Committee of WestCoast Children's Clinic a nonprofit in Oakland, California. In addition, he serves as Board President of Horizon Opportunities, Inc. in Lynchburg, VA. Damien holds a Master of Public Health degree from New York Medical College in Valhalla, NY and a Master of Social Work degree from Fordham University in Manhattan, NY. He is a Licensed Social Worker.

Derek Curran

Derek Curran is currently the Director of Crisis Services at the Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board (HNNCSB). In that capacity he oversees the HNNCSB's continuum of crisis care services: Emergency Services (ES), the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU), the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), Jail Diversion Services, and Reinvestment

Services (which include Eastern State Hospital Discharge Services and a mobile crisis services team, which provide support to fragile clients following hospital discharge). Mr. Curran began work in psychiatric services in 1978, beginning with three years in the inpatient psychiatric unit at Riverside Hospital (1978-81), followed by three years as a crisis counselor in Riverside Hospital Emergency Room and in the community, along with performing jail based mental health assessments for the Newport News courts (1981-84). In 1984 Mr. Curran was recruited and hired by the Chesapeake Community Services Board, where he developed that CSB's jail-based mental health services program. In 1989 he was recruited and hired by the HNNCSB to develop that CSB's Emergency Services program. He has served as the chair of both the HPR 5 regional Emergency Services Council and Virginia's statewide Emergency Services Council, and he has been instrumental in the creation and development of both the CIT program and the CSU at HNNCSB.

Jane Hickey, Esq.

Jane Hickey worked at the Office of the Virginia Attorney General from 1977-2010, serving for 20 years of that time as Section Chief for the Health Services Section providing representation for most of the Commonwealth's health care agencies including the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. She was also a member of the Commonwealth of Virginia's Commission on Mental Health Law Reform and chaired its Commitment Reforms Task Force and Transportation Work Group, which were responsible for many of the recommendations for improving the civil commitment process in Virginia. Following her retirement, Ms. Hickey served as editor of *Developments in Mental Health Law* published by the Institute of Law, Psychiatry and Public Policy at the University of Virginia from December 2010 through June 2014. Ms. Hickey is currently a citizen appointee on the Virginia Board of Medicine.

Allison Land, FACHE

Allison Land is the system Vice President of Behavioral Health Services for Sentara Healthcare, responsible for coordinating and implementing initiatives that improve access, quality, and efficiency in both the inpatient and outpatient settings within Behavioral Health. Her responsibilities include strategic and operational oversight of four inpatient units at Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital, Sentara Norfolk General Hospital, Sentara Obici Hospital and Sentara Rockingham Memorial Hospital; as well as outpatient services at Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital. She joined Sentara in July of 2015

Mrs. Land began her healthcare career as the Regional Operations Manager for Medpartners, Inc. in Atlanta, GA where she was the interim Administrator of The Leland Clinic. She has also served as the Vice President of Floyd Health System in Rome, GA where she held responsibility for Floyd Behavioral Health Center, a 53-bed Inpatient Acute Psychiatric Hospital with associated emergency response services and outpatient programming. Her areas of responsibility there also included Quality and Coordinated Care functions, Laboratory Services, Physician Liaisons and Floyd's Centers of Excellence for Stroke, Hip, Knee, Spine, Diabetes and Palliative Care.

Mrs. Land is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and has served on numerous boards including Georgia State University Institute for Health Administration, The Free Clinic of Rome, and Blood Assurance in Rome, GA.

Bruce Lo, MD

Bruce Lo, MD, has been the medical director of the emergency department at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital for the past 8 years. He is the president-elect of the Virginia College of Emergency Physicians. He has served on a number of committees regarding acute psychiatric care including the Sentara healthcare psychiatric workgroup, co-chair Virginia College of Emergency Physicians Committee, and the Virginia Governor's Psychiatric Task Force.

Janet S. Lung, LCSW

Janet Lung, LCSW, is currently Director of Child and Family Services in the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS), and previously has served in a variety of capacities within DBHDS, Director of Planning and Evaluation, Director of Resource Management, Acting Director of Prevention, and System of Care Project Director. Ms. Lung has worked in behavioral health care for most of her career, serving two different community services boards in Virginia and the Roanoke Memorial Carillion Hospital in addition to her time at DBHDS. Her primary focus has been on the development of funding for expanded community-based services. She has worked with federal agencies as a principal investigator, co-principal investigator, grant writer, federal grant reviewer and peer reviewer. She is strongly committed to the involvement of mental health advocates, parent, consumer, and family groups in system planning. Janet holds the Master of Social Work degree, is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a Clinical Member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy.

James M. Martinez, Jr. (Jim)

Jim Martinez served in several positions in the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) Richmond headquarters beginning in 1977. From 1995 until 2015, Mr. Martinez was Director of Mental Health Services where he managed the Department's mental health, substance abuse, criminal justice, and prevention initiatives for adults, youth and families, and supervised various administrative, policy and operational functions of Virginia's public system of behavioral health services. Throughout his tenure at DBHDS, Mr. Martinez focused on developing community services and supports for individuals with serious mental illness and substance use disorders and their families, and on shaping and implementing a person-centered, recovery-oriented behavioral health system for Virginia. Mr. Martinez has been a leader in strengthening the safety net of behavioral health crisis response services in the Commonwealth, and served as an Advisor to the Supreme Court of Virginia's Commission on Mental Health Law Reform from 2006-11. Mr. Martinez is a 2001 graduate of the Virginia Executive Institute, and holds a B.A from Washington and Lee University and a M.Ed. from the University of Virginia.

Bonnie Neighbour

Bonnie Neighbour is the Executive Director of the Virginia Organization of Consumers Asserting Leadership (VOCAL), the Virginia state-wide mental health consumers' network where she has worked since 2007. She is a well-recognized mental health advocate and a change agent for Virginia's mental health system, participating in workgroups with the Commission on Mental Health Law Reform, and serving on the School and Campus Safety Taskforce and on the Crisis Response workgroup for the Taskforce on Improving Mental Health Services and Crisis Response.

Ms. Neighbour's formal education was in music and theology, and she taught music in Nebraska in the early 1980's and has over fifteen years' experience as a youth minister in Georgia and Virginia.

Ms. Neighbour was diagnosed with a severe mental illness in 1995 after fifteen years of looking to make sense of what was happening to her. Over the next several years, while fully complying with treatment and accepting the messages of disability she received from mental health professionals, her condition continued to deteriorate, to the point that she became unable to work, was homeless, and received Social Security disability payments based on her diagnosed condition. When introduced to the concept and process of mental health recovery in 2005, she changed her life dramatically, and became active in mental health services support, advocacy and reform. She is trained as a Peer Specialist; an Advanced Level WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Plan) facilitator; and an Empowerment and Leadership facilitator for Virginia citizens, including veterans, with mental health concerns. She designs and leads workshops on mental health recovery and advocacy around the state of Virginia and nationally. She has been involved in the leadership of several peer-run groups with connections to DBSA (Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance); WRAP; The Icarus Project; McGuire Veterans Hospital; Friends 4 Recovery; as well as a regional peer connection/action group in central Virginia. She has also served as the Coordinator of Mental Illness Ministries for the United Methodist Church - Virginia Conference and as the Co-Chair for Mental Health for the Coalition for Virginians with Mental Disabilities. Her personal experience of losing a close friend and an extended family member to suicide has given even deeper resolve to her professional and personal efforts to help people with serious mental illness experience recovery.

John Oliver, Esq.

Mr. Oliver served in the Chesapeake City Attorney's office for 31 years, as an Assistant and then Deputy City Attorney. His work there included behavioral health and social services law. He's now in part-time private practice, where he works as guardian ad litem for children and adults, and as legal counsel in involuntary commitments. He's also working with the Institute of Law, Psychiatry and Public Policy on several mental health law and service reform initiatives and in the publication of the Institute's journal, *Developments in Mental Health Law*.

Becky Sterling

Ms. Sterling is the Director of Recovery Services for the Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Services (DBHDS) and is the first person to be selected to that position, which was created during the tenure of Debra Ferguson, Ph.D., as Commissioner of DBHDS. Prior to assuming her position at DBHDS, Ms. Sterling worked as the Consumer Recovery Liaison for the Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Community Services Board. Ms. Sterling has served, and continues to serve, on a number of advisory bodies, including Governor McAuliffe's Taskforce on Mental Health and Safety and Governor Kaine's Community Integration Advisory Commission, and she co-chairs both the DBHDS Adult Behavioral Health Services Transformation Team and the DBHDS Recovery and Support Workgroup. Ms. Sterling received her B.S. in Recreation from Virginia Commonwealth University. She is also a licensed nursing home administrator and certified peer support specialist.

Ted Stryker

Mr. Stryker is President of Mental Health, Senior Care & Rehabilitation Services within Centra, a 627-bed, four hospital system located in Central Virginia. He is responsible for leading the mental health, senior care and rehabilitation business unit, which includes 4 nursing homes, an assisted living facility, 102 independent continuing care retirement community homes, an inpatient acute rehabilitation facility, 9 outpatient rehabilitation centers, 3 PACE (Program of All Inclusive Care of the Elderly) programs, home health, employer health, and the mental health service line. From 2010 through 2015 Mr. Stryker was Centra's Vice President for Mental Health Services, responsible for directing a service array that included 65 child, adult and geriatric acute psychiatric hospital beds, 102 child psychiatric residential treatment beds, 15 residential substance use treatment beds, psychiatric emergency services, autism diagnostic and treatment center, in-home autism services, adolescent group home services, psychiatric and mental health consultation services, outpatient psychiatric and mental health clinics, outpatient substance use treatment services, and 11 special education day schools. Prior to coming to Centra, Mr. Stryker held positions with several hospitals in New Jersey in a professional career that began in 1982. From 1994 to 2001 he was Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of AtlantiCare Behavioral Health, the behavioral health division of AtlantiCare in New Jersey, and from 2001 to 2010 served as President and Chief Executive Officer of AtlantiCare Behavioral Health.

Expert Advisory Panel on System Structure and Financing

Richard J. Bonnie is Harrison Foundation Professor of Law and Medicine, Professor of Public Policy, Professor of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences, and Director of the Institute of Law, Psychiatry and Public Policy at the University of Virginia. Among other public service positions, he has been Associate Director of the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse (1971-73); Secretary of the first National Advisory Council on Drug Abuse (1975- 80); chair of Virginia's State Human Rights Committee responsible for protecting rights of persons with mental disabilities (1979-85), and chief advisor for the ABA Criminal Justice Mental Health Standards Project (1981-88). He recently chaired a Commission on Mental Health Law Reform at the request of the Chief Justice of Virginia (2006-2011). Professor Bonnie has served as an advisor to the American Psychiatric Association Council on Psychiatry and Law since 1979, received the APA's Isaac Ray Award in 1998 for contributions to the field of forensic psychiatry, and was awarded special presidential commendations in 2003 and 2016 for his contributions to American psychiatry. Professor Bonnie was elected to the National Academy of Medicine in 1991, has chaired numerous studies for the National Academies on subjects ranging from elder mistreatment to underage drinking, and received the Yarmolinsky Medal in 2002 for his contributions to the National Academies. In 2007, Professor Bonnie received the University of Virginia's highest honor, the Thomas Jefferson Award.

Margaret Nimmo Crowe is the executive director of Voices for Virginia's Children. Since 1994 Voices for Virginia's Children – non-partisan, nonprofit, and independent – has been giving kids and families a voice at the state capitol, working for laws that improve early childhood education, mental health care, foster care and help lift kids out of poverty. Margaret has worked at the organization for eleven years, previously serving as policy director. She led the Campaign for Children's Mental Health, a broad-based advocacy initiative that is increasing access to children's mental health services in the Commonwealth. As a result of her advocacy efforts on behalf of children, Margaret was awarded the Joseph V. Gartlan Award, given by the Virginia Association of Community Services Boards. In addition her experience at Voices, Margaret served as the chairperson of the volunteer Board of Directors of the Richmond Behavioral Health Authority and as a member of the Child and Adolescent Task Force of the Chief Justice's Commission on Mental Health Law Reform. She also co-chaired Gov. McAuliffe's transition team on mental health issues. In 2013 Margaret was named a recipient of the Stettinius Award from The Community Foundation of Greater Richmond, and she was named to Style Weekly's "Top 40 Under 40" in 2011. Margaret graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Virginia, with a B.A. in Religious Studies.

Howard N. Cullum has a B.A. in Government from Miami (Ohio) University and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from American University. He has over 30 years' experience in managing health and human services programs. His professional career includes positions as Mental Health Clinic Administrator in Arlington, Human Service Coordinator in Fairfax County, Executive Director of both the Virginia Beach and Hampton-Newport News Community Service Boards, Deputy Commissioner and Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Substance Abuse Services and the Secretary of Health and Human Services for the Commonwealth of Virginia. Mr. Cullum also operated a human services management consulting firm after his state government career.

Patrick Finnerty was appointed by two Governors to serve as Virginia's Medicaid Director from 2002 to 2010 where he directed all aspects of Virginia's Medicaid and children's health insurance programs. At the time of his retirement from state government after a 32-year career, the Virginia Medicaid and CHIP programs served over 820,000 persons and had a total budget of nearly \$7 billion. Prior to his appointment as Medicaid Director, Patrick worked for the Virginia General Assembly's Joint Commission on Health Care. As the Commission's Executive Director, he had overall responsibility for the Commission's health care policy analyses and studies, and directed the Commission's legislative agenda. Before the Joint Commission on Health Care, he was director of the Virginia state employee health benefits program for four years. In this position, he managed two statewide health benefits programs for more than 150,000 persons. His firm, PWF Consulting, provides consulting services to health care organizations and Patrick also serves on several non-profit boards that promote access to care for uninsured and low-income persons. He also volunteers at Mission of Mercy (MOM) Projects which provide free dental care to those in underserved areas of Virginia. Patrick earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Virginia Commonwealth University and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society.

Jack O. Lanier is Executive Director of the Quin Rivers, Inc., a Virginia-based non-profit, community action agency (CAA) that provides leadership and support to advance the well-being of residents in ten contiguous jurisdictions in Central Virginia: the counties of Caroline, Charles City, Hanover, New Kent, King and Queen, King William, King George, Stafford, Spotsylvania, and the city of Fredericksburg. From 2009 to 2014, Dr. Lanier served as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Richmond Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA), the statutorily-established local agency responsible for Mental Health, Intellectual Disability, Substance Abuse and Prevention Services in the City of Richmond, Virginia. During this period, Dr. Lanier also served as President of the Richmond Behavioral Health Foundation (RBHF), a not-for-profit arm of RBHA; additionally, he chaired the Health Planning Region IV (HPR-IV) Directors' Forum, and served on the Virginia Association of Community Services Boards (VACSB) Board of Directors, and the VACSB Leadership Council

Deborah D. Oswalt is the Executive Director of the Virginia Health Care Foundation, a position she has held since the organization's founding in 1992. Created as a public-private partnership by the Virginia General Assembly and its Joint Commission on Health Care, VHCF's mission is to increase access to primary and preventive health care for uninsured and medically underserved Virginians via innovative programming and service delivery models. Under Ms. Oswalt's leadership, VHCF has developed several cutting edge products and initiatives, which have been instrumental in significantly expanding the health services and access to treatment for uninsured Virginians. Prior to founding the VHCF, Ms. Oswalt spent seven years serving as Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Resources in the Cabinets of Governors Baliles and Wilder. In this position, she worked closely with state agencies that regulate, deliver and monitor health services, including the Departments of Health, Health Professions, Medical Assistance Services (Medicaid), and Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services; as well as the Health Services Cost Review Council. Ms. Oswalt received her J.D. from Rutgers University. She is a graduate of Leadership Metro Richmond and the Virginia Executive Institute. She received the Outstanding Woman in Health and Science Award from the Richmond YWCA in

2002, and the Child Advocate Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics – Virginia Chapter in 1992.

James Reinhard is a board certified psychiatrist who is currently the medical director and associate director of Virginia Tech's Cook Counseling Center. He received his medical degree from the University of Illinois College of Medicine, completed his psychiatry residency training at Dartmouth Medical School and completed a fellowship at Harvard Medical School's Program in Psychiatry and the Law and has additional board certification in Forensic Psychiatry. Dr. Reinhard's clinical and administrative career has been in public sector psychiatry, academic medicine, correctional settings, university counseling centers, and the Veterans Administration system. Dr. Reinhard came to Virginia in 1994 as Medical Director and then the facility director/CEO of Catawba Hospital. In 2001 he became Assistant Commissioner for Facility Management for the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services overseeing the Commonwealth's sixteen state facilities and was appointed Commissioner of the Department by Governor Mark Warner in 2002 and re-appointed by Governor Tim Kaine in 2006. He is a Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association and has served on the Executive Board (Vice President) of the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors.

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Steve Austin

Steve Austin is the Director of the Office of Criminal Justice Services in Prince William County, Virginia and oversees local probation, pretrial services, and domestic violence services. Steve's current and previous work has included management of community and institutional corrections agencies, program and policy development, and program implementation. He has previously worked as a Correctional Program Specialist at the National Institute of Corrections in Washington, D.C. specializing in community corrections, pretrial justice and criminal justice systems. He has served as a Director in a local jail, managing both jail departments and community corrections departments, drug courts, and he has previously worked as a probation officer. Steve has additionally served as a facilitator for the Bureau of Justice Assistance and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges to support drug treatment courts. He has also served as a cross system mapping facilitator for Virginia, working with communities to improve their response to criminal justice and mental health issues. Steve possesses a B.S. Degree from Old Dominion University.

Pete Earley

Pete Earley is a former reporter who, after a 14-year career in journalism, including six years at *The Washington Post*, became a full-time author. When his life was changed by events concerning his son's struggle with mental illness, he joined the National Alliance on Mental Illness to advocate for strong mental health reform on the public stage. He also wrote a Pulitzer Prize finalist book about his experiences (*Crazy: A Father's Search Through America's Mental Health Madness*). His advocacy around mental illness has taken him to 48 states and multiple countries. Locally, he has been an active member of efforts in Virginia, including most recently, as a member on the Fairfax County Mental Health and CIT Subcommittee.

Lori Galbraith

Lori Galbraith is Chief Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney for the City of Chesapeake. She has been with the Chesapeake office since 1994. Lori received her B.A. from Penn State in 1986 and her J.D. from Temple University in 1989. Lori spent four years at the Suffolk Public Defender's Office before coming to the Chesapeake Commonwealth's Attorney's Office. During her tenure at the Chesapeake Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, Lori has tried misdemeanors and felonies including many sexual assaults and murders. In addition to her trial work, Lori is the liaison to Mental Health/Criminal Justice Workgroup since its inception in 2008. Lori has participated in the Governor's Conference for Mental Health and Criminal Justice Transformation in 2008 and then participated in Chesapeake own Cross Systems Mapping Exercises. In addition, Lori attended a Cross Systems Mapping Conference in Williamsburg in 2012.

Lori also administers the Virginia Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Victim Fund Grant and helped implement the Lethality Assessment Protocol in Chesapeake. Lori has presented trainings for the Chesapeake Police Academy, the Advanced Victim Assistance Academy, the Campus Chiefs of Police, the Department of Behavioral Health and Development and the Virginia Association of Commonwealth's Attorneys.

Patrick Halpern

Patrick Halpern works for New River Valley Community Services (NRVCS) as the CIT Coordinator for the New River Valley Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), the nation's first rural, multi-jurisdictional adaptation of the exemplary pre-booking jail diversion program for persons with behavioral health disorders. Patrick has provided considerable leadership to the expansion of CIT across the Commonwealth of Virginia and has been a member of the Virginia CIT Coalition's Leadership Team since its inception in 2009. Mr. Halpern has significant experience with the development and management of programs for justice-involved individuals and training for criminal justice system professionals. He previously was the Executive Director of the Mental Health Association of the New River Valley, where he also served as Project Director for the New River Valley Bridge Program, a therapeutic post-booking, pre-trial jail diversion program for persons with behavioral health disorders, which is now operated by NRVCS. Patrick was enlisted by the Virginia Department of Veterans Services to serve as Project Director for a statewide, multi-year project, the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program's Criminal Justice Partners Training, funded by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. The project's main emphasis was to provide training to law enforcement and criminal justice system personnel on combat stress injuries to veterans and service members; how these injuries may lead to justice system involvement; and the services offered by the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program. He also worked as Operations Manager for a jail and prisoner reentry organization, Offender Aid and Restoration of Richmond, where he worked with the City of Richmond's Commonwealth Attorney on the development of a therapeutic jail diversion program for street walking sex workers. Patrick has a graduate degree from Virginia Tech in Public and International Affairs.

Allison D. Redlich

Allison Redlich is a Professor in the Department of Criminology, Law and Society at George Mason University. To a large degree, her research centers on whether legal decision-making is knowing, intelligent, and voluntary. She often compares such decision-making in vulnerable (juveniles and persons with mental health problems) and non-vulnerable defendants, and in several different contexts—in the interrogation room, during the guilty plea process, and in mental health courts. She was formerly employed at Policy Research Associates, Inc., one of the nation's leading firms in issues related to the nexus of mental health and criminal/juvenile systems involvement. While there, she co-led the first multi-site research project on the effectiveness of mental health courts. Her research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the Brain and Behavior Research Foundation, and other sponsors.

Caitlin Reynolds-Vivanco

Caitlin Reynolds-Vivanco graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2010. She worked for Blue Ridge Legal Services, the legal aid office that serves the Shenandoah Valley, before transitioning to the Martinsville Public Defender's Office. In her current role as Senior Trial Attorney, Ms. Reynolds-Vivanco acts as a point person for cases involving mental health issues and she also supervises and trains the office's new attorneys. She practices in General District, Juvenile and Domestic Relations and the Circuit Court. She also handles appeals before the Virginia Court of Appeals and the Virginia Supreme Court.

Leslie Weisman

Leslie Weisman is a graduate of Georgetown University School of Languages and Linguistics and Boston College Graduate School of Social Work. She has focused on mental health and criminal justice work for over 25 years. Currently, she is the Client Services Entry Bureau Chief at Arlington County's Behavioral Healthcare Division. She provides direct oversight for Arlington's Crisis Intervention Center which includes Emergency Services, Jail Diversion/Forensic Case Management, Discharge Planning, Homeless Outreach, Intake and Assessment Services; and a county wide domestic violence/sexual assault initiative. Ms. Weisman is the former Arlington Community Services Board (CSB) NGRI (Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity) Coordinator. She chairs the Arlington Mental Health and Criminal Justice Review Committee, a mental health and criminal justice stakeholder group responsible for mental health /forensic initiatives in Arlington and meeting monthly since May 2003. Ms. Weisman is the mental health liaison to the Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) Crisis Negotiation Unit. She has been the mental health liaison to the ACPD since 2003. Ms. Weisman developed Crisis Intervention Team training in Arlington in 2008 partnering with ACPD command staff. Ms. Weisman is trained as a Cross System Mapping Facilitator (for mental health and criminal justice partnering); she spoke on NPR's Diane Rehm Show representing the community mental health perspective on serious mental illness after the Newtown, CT tragedy. Appointed to Virginia Governor's Mental Health Task Group for Campus Safety in 2013 and appointed to Virginia's Forensic Transformation Team in 2014.

Amy Woolard

Amy Woolard is Voices for Virginia's Children's Senior Policy Attorney, focusing on child welfare, foster care, juvenile justice, & youth homelessness policy, as well as broader poverty & safety net issues that Virginia families face. She is a member of the Governor's Advisory Council on Homelessness, and has also contributed extensively to Virginia's implementation of the federal Fostering Connections to Success & Increasing Adoptions Act. In 2015, she was also appointed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe to the Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Prevention. In addition to policy/legal research and writing, administrative and legislative advocacy, and coalition-building, Amy has also written on children's policy for publications such as Slate and the Clearinghouse Review, developed model legislation, & frequently presents

on child welfare and juvenile justice policy topics at the state and national level, including briefings for U.S. Senate committees, conferences such as the ABA National Conference on Children & the Law, and guest lectures at the University of Richmond Law School, Georgetown University, VCU, and elsewhere. Prior to joining Voices, Amy served as the Lewis F. Powell Fellow in Legal Services with the JustChildren program of the Legal Aid Justice Center in both Richmond and Charlottesville, VA. As an education attorney, Amy represented court-involved children in cases involving special education services, enrollment issues, and school discipline. Amy is a member of the Virginia Bar, and received her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law. She also holds an M.F.A. from the University of Iowa (Writers' Workshop) and an M.S. in Communications from the VCU Brandcenter.

Heather Zelle

Heather Zelle is an Assistant Professor of Research with the UVa Department of Public Health Sciences and clinical psychologist with the UVa Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy. She holds a juris doctorate from Villanova University School of Law, and a doctorate in clinical psychology with a forensic concentration from Drexel University. She is licensed as an attorney in Pennsylvania (voluntary inactive status) and as a clinical psychologist in Virginia. Dr. Zelle has coordinated the research and implementation efforts regarding the integration of Advance Directives with Instructions for Mental Health Care into routine care in Virginia for the past several years. Dr. Zelle's previous policy and research experience include work with Dr. Patty Griffin for the Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual disabilities Services, including CIT training for Philadelphia law enforcement, assessment of specialty courts, and Cross Systems Mapping activities. Dr. Zelle's past research has focused on several areas in forensic psychology, including comprehension of *Miranda* rights, judicial interpretation of legal capacities, and forensic assessment in juvenile and adult cases. She has co-authored several publications, including articles on Advance Directives in the journals *Psychiatric Services* and *World Psychiatry*, as well as chapters in the *Handbook of Psychology: Forensic Psychology*; *Forensic Assessment in Criminal and Civil Law: A Handbook for Lawyers*; and the *APA Handbook of Forensic Psychology*.

DBHDS Liaison

Jana Braswell