



OSPD & MPDA SPRING PUBLIC DEFENDERS CONFERENCE

Virtual 

Sessions Live on Zoom
April 26, 2021 - April 30, 2021

Agenda

Monday, April 26, 2021

9:45am – 10:00am

Welcome

*André de Gruy, State Public Defender
Office of State Public Defender
Jackson, Mississippi*

10:00am – 11:30am

Dueling Sovereigns: Fighting the State and the Federal Government at the Same Time

*Andrew R. Szekely, Assistant Federal Public Defender
Office of the Federal Public Defender for the District of Maryland
Baltimore, Maryland*

11:30am – 12:00pm

Introduction of Federal/ State Public Defenders Working Group

*Andre' de Gruy, State Public Defender
Omodare Jupiter, Federal Public Defender*

1:30pm – 2:00pm

Mississippi Revocations Project

*Michael Kane, Deputy Director
Crime and Justice Institute,
A Division of Community Resources for Justice*

2:00pm – 3:30pm

Cruel and Unusual Punishment in Mississippi Prisons

*Greta Martin, Litigation Director
Disability Rights Mississippi
Jackson, Mississippi*

3:30pm – 5:00pm

MPDA Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

10:00am – 12:00pm

Viewpoint From the Bench

*Honorable Carlton W. Reeves, District Judge
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Mississippi
Jackson, Mississippi*

1:00pm - 2:30pm

Client Centered Representation (Ethics Hour)

*Jon Rapping, President / Founder
Gideon's Promise
Atlanta, Georgia*

3:30pm – until

MPDA Business Meeting

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

10:00am – 11:00am

Caselaw Update

*Justin Cook, Assistant State Public Defender
Office of State Public Defender, Indigent Appeals Division
Jackson, Mississippi*

1:00pm – 4:00pm

Mental Health Issues in the Criminal Trial Process: The Basic Concepts and More

*Michael L. Perlin
Mental Disability Law and Policy Associates
New York, New York*

6:30pm – 8:00pm

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The Juror Project:

A Community Discussion About Jury Service

*Ashley Perkins, Mitigation Specialist
Office of State Public Defender, Capital Division
Jackson, Mississippi*

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Registration
Required

*William C. Snowden, Founder
The Juror Project
New Orleans, Louisiana*

Thursday, April 29, 2021

10:00am – 11:00am

A Judge's Perspective on Pretrial Motions
*Honorable Lisa Dodson, Circuit Court Judge
Harrison County Circuit Court, Second District
Gulfport, Mississippi*

1:00pm – 2:00pm

**Creating a Diversion: Interrupting the Jail
to Deportation Pipeline**
*Glenda McGraw Regnart, Attorney
Regnart Immigration
Alexandria, Louisiana*

2:30pm – 4:00pm

A Holistic View from Someone Close to the Issue
*Tino Negron, Research Assistance Aide
Yale's Health Justice Lab
New Haven, Connecticut*

Friday, April 30, 2021

10:00am – 11:30am

PD Leaders Meeting

Resilient Leadership

*Gail Wright Lowery, Public Defender
Hinds County Public Defender's Office
Jackson, Mississippi*

*Matthew Busby, Public Defender
Pearl River County Public Defender's Office
Poplarville, Mississippi*

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