

NASC 2009 Annual Conference

Fifteen Years of NASC: Looking Back, Moving Forward

August 2-4, 2009
Renaissance Baltimore Harborplace Hotel
Baltimore, Maryland

Sunday, August 2, 2009

- 3:30 p.m. Registration Begins**
Baltimore Ballroom Foyer or Renaissance Lobby
- 1:35 p.m. Baltimore Orioles v. Boston Red Sox**
Join your NASC colleagues for an afternoon of baseball at the beautiful Oriole Park at Camden Yards!
- 6:00 p.m. NASC 2009 Conference Reception**
Watertable Ballroom

Monday, August 3, 2009

- 7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast**
Baltimore Ballroom Foyer
- 8:30 a.m. Welcome Address**
Baltimore Ballroom
- Honorable Anthony G. Brown, *Lieutenant Governor of Maryland*
Honorable Howard S. Chasanow, *Chair, Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy*
- 9:00 a.m. Plenary Session I: The State of Sentencing Research**
Baltimore Ballroom
- Dr. Alfred Blumstein, *Professor, Heinz College, Carnegie Mellon University*
Dr. Charles Wellford, *Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Maryland; Vice-chair, Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy*
Dr. Cassia Spohn, *Professor and Director of Graduate Programs, Arizona State University*
- Moderator:
Meredith Farrar-Owens, *Deputy Director, Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission; NASC President*

Monday, August 3, 2009

10:15 a.m. Morning Break
Baltimore Ballroom Foyer

10:30 a.m. Break Out Sessions:

Risk/Needs Assessment
Baltimore Ballroom A

Dr. James Austin, *President, JFA Institute*

Dr. Avi Bhati, *Senior Research Associate, Justice Policy Center, Urban Institute*

Christopher Baird, *Executive Vice President, National Council on Crime and Delinquency*

Moderator:

Dr. Kim Hunt, *Senior Researcher, United States Sentencing Commission*

Influence of Politics and Media on Criminal Penalty Development
Watertable Ballroom

Byron L. Warnken, *Associate Professor of Law, University of Baltimore School of Law*

Tom Ullmann, *Public Defender, State of Connecticut; Member, Connecticut Sentencing Task Force*

Gabriel Sayegh, *Director, State Organizing and Policy Project, Drug Policy Alliance*

Moderator:

Dr. David A. Soulé, *Executive Director, Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy*

An International Perspective on Sentencing
Baltimore Ballroom B

Hyungkwan Park, *Senior Public Prosecutor & Professor, Legal Research and Training Institute (LRTI) and Special Advisor to the Korean Sentencing Commission*

Kevin McCormac, *Head of Secretariat, Sentencing Guidelines Council for England and Wales*

Timothy Webster, *Fellow, China Law Center, Yale Law School*

Moderator:

Richard Gebelein, *Chief Deputy Attorney General, Delaware Department of Justice*

12:00 p.m. Luncheon
Baltimore Ballroom Foyer

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1:30 p.m. Break Out Sessions:

Sentencing Since *Booker*

Baltimore Ballroom A

Honorable Deborah K. Chasanow, *U.S. District Court for District of Maryland*
Kathleen Grilli, *Deputy General Counsel, United States Sentencing Commission*
Paul Hofer, *Chief Sentencing Policy Analyst, Federal Public Defenders*

Moderator:

Kevin Blackwell, *Senior Research Associate, United States Sentencing Commission*

Evolving Roles of Sentencing Commissions

Baltimore Ballroom B

Kenneth Cowgill, *Attorney Advisor, DC Sentencing and Criminal Code Revision Commission*
Helen Pedigo, *Executive Director, Kansas Sentencing Commission*
Meredith Farrar-Owens, *Deputy Director, Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission*

Moderator:

Barbara Tombs, *Sentencing Consultant*

The Role of Victims in Sentencing Policy

Watertable Ballroom

Russell Butler, *Director, Maryland Crime Victims Resources Center*
Robert Davis, *Senior Research Analyst, RAND*
Danielle Sered, *Director, Common Justice, Vera Institute of Justice*

Moderator:

Kira Antell, *Congressional Liaison, United States Sentencing Commission*

2:45 p.m. Afternoon Break

Baltimore Ballroom Foyer

3:00 p.m. Round Table Discussions:

Forward Thinking in Bureau of Justice Statistics Collections

Watertable Ballroom A

Chairperson: Thomas Cohen, *Statistician, Bureau of Justice Statistics*

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Round Table Discussions (continued):

Practitioner Application of Risk/Needs Assessments

Watertable Ballroom C

Chairperson: Helen Pedigo, *Executive Director, Kansas Sentencing Commission*

Rebuilding Justice in Eastern Europe

Kent (Located on the 6th floor)

Chairperson: Richard Gebelein, *Chief Deputy Attorney General, Delaware Department of Justice*

Restorative Justice Applications

Baltimore Ballroom A

Chairperson: Danielle Sered, *Director, Common Justice, Vera Institute of Justice*

A Review of Federal Sentencing Practices

Baltimore Ballroom B

Chairpersons: Dennis E. Curtis, *Clinical Professor Emeritus of Law and Professorial Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School*

Brent Newton, *Deputy Staff Director, United States Sentencing Commission*

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

Baltimore Ballroom Foyer

9:00 a.m. Plenary Session II: The Consequences of Escalating Incarceration Rates

Baltimore Ballroom

Kent Scheidegger, *Legal Director, Criminal Justice Legal Foundation*

Dr. Michael Jacobson, *Director, Vera Institute of Justice*

Dr. Anne Piehl, *Associate Professor, Department of Economics & Program in Criminal Justice, Rutgers University*

Moderator:

Kara Dansky, *Executive Director, Stanford Criminal Justice Center; NASC Vice-President*

10:15 a.m. Morning Break

Baltimore Ballroom Foyer

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

10:30 a.m. Break Out Sessions:

Shrinking Budgets While Meeting Courts and Corrections Needs

Baltimore Ballroom A

Mark Cohen, *Professor of Management and Law, Vanderbilt University*

Jack O'Connell, Jr., *Director, Delaware Statistical Analysis Center*

J. Michael Brown, *Secretary of Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, Commonwealth of Kentucky*

Moderator:

Gary D. Maynard, *Secretary of Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services*

Release Decisions

Baltimore Ballroom B

Mark Bergstrom, *Executive Director, Pennsylvania Sentencing Commission*

Jacey Skinner, *Director, Utah Sentencing Commission*

Jesse Janetta, *Research Associate, Urban Institute*

Moderator:

Kevin Reitz, *James Annenberg Levee Professor of Law, University of Minnesota School of Law*

The Interdependence of Jail and Prison Populations and Policies

Watetable Ballroom

Dr. Stefan LoBuglio, *Chief, Pre-Release and Reentry Services, Montgomery County (Maryland) Department of Correction and Rehabilitation*

Richard Allen, *Commissioner, Alabama Department of Corrections*

Barry Green, *Deputy Secretary of Public Safety, Commonwealth of Virginia*

Moderator:

Sandy Moll, *Executive Director, Arkansas Sentencing Commission*

12:00 p.m. Luncheon: NASC Annual Business meeting

Baltimore Ballroom Foyer / Baltimore Ballroom