

City University of New York School of Law
presents the
First Biennial
Haywood Burns Conference on Law and Policy

*Critical Consequences of Criminalization
on Communities of Color*

A day of workshops to formulate a plan of action for addressing the direct and collateral effects of criminalization and incarceration on communities of color

Friday, March 24, 2006

At the CUNY School of Law
65-21 Main St.
Flushing, NY 11367

~Free Admission~

The Conference is free to all participants and open to the public ~ 6.5 CLE Credits Offered

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Program Information

Friday, March 24, 2006 ~ 8:00 am – 5:30 pm

This event is free and open to the public. Registration is required for CLE credits. There is no registration fee for the CLE credits. There will be six workshops, three of which can be attended throughout the day, plus the plenary session for a total of 6.5 CLE credits. The conference will provide a continental breakfast and lunch ending the day-long event with a reception of food, beverages & conversation. Keynote speaker: Paula C. Johnson, Burns Chair. The Haywood Burns and Shanara Gilbert Award to Luis DeGraffe, Recipient, in memoriam. Please RSVP to burns2006@mail.law.cuny.edu for catering purposes.

A Short List of Speakers:

Florence Morgan, Senior Staff Attorney, Legal Aid Society
Glenn Martin, Co-Director, Legal Action Network, National H.I.R.E. Network
Anthony Papa, Author - *15 Years to Life*, Rockefeller Drug Laws
Rickke Mananzala, Campaign Coordinator, FIERCE
Juan Cartagena, General Counsel, Community Service Society
Maggie Williams, Voter Enfranchisement Project, Bronx Defenders
Hon. Ronald L. Ellis, United States Magistrate Judge, SDNY
Jeffrion L. Aubry, New York State Assemblyman, 35th A.D. of Queens County
Raquel Batista, Director, Northern Manhattan Coalition of Immigrant Rights
Annette Dickerson, Director, Prison Telephone Justice Campaign
Donna Hae Kyun Lee, Professor, Resentencing, CUNY School of Law
Jaya Vasandani, Associate Director, Women's Prison Project

Paula C. Johnson, Haywood Burns Chair, CUNY School of Law
Kathy O'Boyle, Deputy Director, Center for Community Alternatives
Christina Voight, Prison Expansion/Sentencing Reform, Soros Foundation
Marsha Weissman, Executive Director, Center for Community Alternatives
Ann Cammett, Reentry Policy Fellow, New Jersey Public Policy Institute
Magalie Laguerre, Producer, 60 Minutes, CBS
Vivian Nixon, Soros Fellow, Project ReEnter Grace
Gail Gray, Professor, Criminal Defenders Clinic, CUNY School of Law
Davim Horowitz, Social Justice Fellow, Sylvia Rivera Law Project
Angela Burton, Professor, Juvenile Rights, CUNY School of Law
Katya Plotnik, Lawyer, Immigration & Criminal Convictions

The Workshop Panels:

(1) Ethics and Discretion in the Criminal Justice System: Focusing on ethical considerations of authority and discretionary decision making by judges, prosecutors and defense attorneys.

(2) State and National Consequences of the Prison Industrial Complex: Focusing on the growth and conditions of adult and juvenile prisons in the U.S., as well as the impact of the Rockefeller Drug Laws and its current state of law.

(3) Diversity, Intersectionality and Effects of the CJS on Communities of Color: Focusing on concerns of women, youth, members of disability communities, and LGBT communities with regard to their experiences in the criminal justice system.

4) Consequences on Families, Spouses/Significant Others and Support Systems: Focusing on impact of criminalization on incarcerated persons and their families, including custody issues, social services and economic needs/concerns.

(5) Civil Liberties and International Human Rights: Focusing on the national and international consequences of the PATRIOT Act and related legislation.

(6) Social Services and Community-Based Activism: Focusing on the social justice activism of community-based organizations and the responsibilities of social services agencies.

Plenary session participants will share their respective perspectives from their involvement and experiences in the criminal justice system regarding decision making, advocacy, adjudication and supportive systems. In addition, during the Plenary Session, all conference attendees will participate in developing an action plan to address the concerns identified as priorities in the earlier workshop sessions.

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Friday, March 24, 2006 ~ 8:00 am – 5:30 pm

- 8:00am – 8:45am **Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 8:45am – 9:15am **Welcome & Introduction**
- Mary Lu Bilek, Dean, CUNY School of Law
 - Paula C. Johnson, Haywood Burns Chair
- 9:15am – 10:45am **Concurrent Workshops I & II**
- ◇ Ethics & Discretion in the Criminal Justice System
 - ◇ State and National Consequences of the Prison Industrial Complex
- 11:00am – 12:30pm **Concurrent Workshops III & IV**
- ◇ Diversity, Intersectionality & Effects of the Criminal Justice System on Communities of Color
 - ◇ Consequences on Families & Support Systems
- 12:30pm – 1:45pm **LUNCH**
- **KEYNOTE ADDRESS** ~ Prof. Paula C. Johnson,
CUNY School of Law, Haywood Burns Chair 2005-2006
 - **HAYWOOD BURNS AND SHANARA GILBERT AWARD**
~Prof. Luis DeGraffe, Recipient, in memoriam
- 2:00pm – 3:30pm **Concurrent Workshops V & VI**
- ◇ Civil Liberties & International Human Rights
 - ◇ Social Services & Community-Based Activism
- 3:30pm – 5:30pm **Plenary Session & Development of Action Plan**
- Victor Goode, Moderator
 - Jenny Rivera, Moderator
- 5:30pm – 7:30pm **Reception** ~ food, beverages & conversation

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