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**REWRITING
THE
SENTENCE**

**Rewriting the Sentence 2019
Summit on Alternatives to Incarceration
June 17-18, 2019
Columbia Law School, New York, NY
Program**

MONDAY, June 17

MORNING PLENARY

8:00 – 8:45 Breakfast and Registration

8:45 – 9:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Rabbi Sholom Lipskar, Founder, The Aleph Institute

Hon. Bernice Donald, U.S. Circuit Court Judge, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals and
Rewriting the Sentence 2019 Summit Chair

Master of Ceremonies: Gary Apfel, Special Counsel, Pepper Hamilton LLP

9:00 – 9:25 Keynote Address: In One Sitting: Reflections on 37 Years on the Bench

Hon. Jeremy Fogel, first Executive Director of the Berkeley Judicial
Institute and former Director of the Federal Judicial Center

9:30 – 10:45 A New Wave of Prosecutorial Thinking: Views of Recently Elected District Attorneys

Moderator: Lucy Lang, Executive Director, Institute for Innovation in Prosecution,
John Jay College of Criminal Justice

John Cruzot, District Attorney, Dallas County, TX

Eric Gonzalez, District Attorney, Brooklyn, NY (confirm)

Lawrence Krasner, District Attorney, Philadelphia, PA

Rachael Rollins, District Attorney, Suffolk County, MA

10:45 – 11:00 Morning Break

11:00 – 12:00 Judicial Practices: Creative Approaches to Sentencing

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Moderator: Rabbi Yossi Bryski, Director, Alternative Sentencing Division, The Aleph Institute

Hon. Frederic Block, U.S. District Judge, Eastern District of New York

Hon. Virginia Phillips, Chief U.S. District Judge, Central District of California

Hon. Esther Salas, U.S. District Judge, District of New Jersey

Hon. Brooke Wells, United States Magistrate Judge, District of Utah

12:00 – 12:45 Interactive Mock Sentencing Workshop with Judge Nancy Gertner

Hon. Nancy Gertner, former U.S. District Judge, District of Massachusetts and Professor of Law, Harvard Law School

12:45 – 1:30 Lunch

AFTERNOON PLENARY 1

1:30 – 2:30 Systemic Reform and the Role of Advocacy

Moderator: Michael Troncoso, Director of Criminal Justice, Chan Zuckerberg Initiative

Kara Gotsch, Director of Strategic Initiatives, The Sentencing Project

Jessica Jackson, National Director, DreamCorps #cut50 Initiative (confirm)

Marc Levin, Vice President of Criminal Justice, Texas Public Policy Foundation and Right on Crime

Udi Ofer, Director, Campaign for Smart Justice, American Civil Liberties Union

2:30 – 3:30 A Federal Legislative Look: The First Step Act, and the Next Steps

Moderator: Holly Harris, Executive Director, Justice Action Network

Matthew Charles, FAMM Criminal Justice Fellow

Rep. Doug Collins, U.S. House of Representatives, 9th Congressional District of Georgia (confirm)

Rep. Hakeem Jeffries, Chair of the House Democratic Caucus and Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from New York (confirm)

3:30 – 3:45 Afternoon Break

3:45 – 4:45 BREAKOUTS 1

What Works? Best Practices in Program Implementation

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Moderator: Rabbi Zvi Boyarsky, Director of Advocacy, Advocacy Department,
The Aleph Institute

Raul Ayala, Supervising Deputy Federal Public Defender for Collaborative Courts,
Central District of California

Colleen Smith, Clinical Director, Newark Community Solutions

Hon. Ted McKee, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (confirm)

Hon. Ursula Ungaro, U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida and
CARE Court

Pocketbook Justice: Bail, Fines, and Fees

Moderator: Jeff Cook-McCormac, Head of Public Affairs, Third Point, LPPE LLC
and The Margaret and Daniel Loeb Foundation

Matthew Alsdorf, Founder and President, Pretrial Advisors LLC

Adam Foss, Founder and President, Prosecutor Impact (confirm)

Joanna Weiss, co-Founder and co-Director of the Fines and Fees Justice Center
(confirm)

Michael Williams, Senior Manager for Adult Policy, Public Safety Performance
Project, The Pew Charitable Trusts (confirm)

AFTERNOON PLENARY 2

5:00 – 6:00 Risk Assessment: A Feature or a Bug? Perspectives on A Complex Debate

Moderator: Julian Adler, Director of Policy and Research, Center for Court
Innovation

Dr. Jennifer Eberhardt, Professor of Psychology, Stanford University and
co-director of SPARQ

Insha Rahman, Program Director, Vera Institute

Dr. Marie VanNostrand, Director of Data Analytics, Luminosity, Inc.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

MORNING PLENARY

9:00 – 10:10 The Future of Alternatives—What Does This Culture Shift Portend?

Moderator: Jeremy Travis, Senior Vice President of Criminal Justice, Laura and
John Arnold Foundation (confirm)

Hon. Paul Fishman, former U.S. Attorney, District of New Jersey

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Hon. John Gleeson, former U.S. District Judge, Eastern District of New York
Doris Randle-Holt, Federal Defender, Western District of Tennessee
Hon. Brett Tolman, former U.S. Attorney, District of Utah
Cyrus Vance, District Attorney, Manhattan, New York

10:10 – 11:10 BREAKOUTS 2

What Do You Know? The Challenges of Data in the Complex Criminal Justice Operating Environment

Moderator: John Pfaff, Professor of Law, Fordham Law School
Lauren-Brooke Eisen, Senior Fellow, Brennan Center's Justice Program
Dr. Gipsy Escobar, Director of Research Innovation, Measures for Justice

Alternative Approaches in the Mental Health Arena

Moderator: Louis Reed, National Organizer, DreamCorps #cut50 Initiative
Russell Brand, Actor and Activist (confirm)
Hon. Matthew D'Emic, Presiding Judge of the Brooklyn Mental Health Court
Hon. Steven Leifman, Special Advisor on Criminal Justice and Mental Health for the Supreme Court of Florida (confirm)
Cheryl Roberts, Executive Director, Greenburger Center for Social and Criminal Justice

11:10 – 11:15 Morning Break

11:15 – 12:15 This is Our Life: Perspectives From Directly Affected Individuals

Moderator: Bernard Kerik, former New York City Police Commissioner
Matthew Charles, FAMM Criminal Justice Fellow
Topeka Sam, Founder and Executive Director, The Ladies of Hope Ministries
Aleph Client TBA

12:15 – 1:00 Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

1:00 – 1:50 BREAKOUTS 3

View from the States: Laboratories of Reform

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Moderator: Hanna Liebman Dershowitz, Director of Special Projects, Alternative Sentencing Division, The Aleph Institute

Rodney Ellis, Commissioner, Harris County, Texas, Precinct One

Rep. Roger Goodman, Washington House of Representatives

Letitia James, Attorney General, State of New York (confirm)

Sentencing Second Chances: Addressing Excessive Sentencing With Escape Valves

Moderator: Professor Douglas Berman, Newton D. Baker-Baker & Hostetler Chair in Law, Moritz College of Law, The Ohio State University

Elizabeth Glazer, Director, NYC Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice (confirm)

Marilyn Mosby, State's Attorney, Baltimore, MD

AFTERNOON PLENARY

1:50 – 2:05 Video – Celebrities and Directly Affected Individuals on Mercy and Announcement of Center for Fair Sentencing

Hanna Liebman Dershowitz, Director of Special Projects, Alternative Sentencing Division, The Aleph Institute

2:05 – 3:20 Pretrial and Probation Professionals: Evidence-Based Sentencing Alternatives

Moderator: Chief Christine Dozier, Chief U.S. Pretrial Services Officer, District of New Jersey

Mark Gjelaj, Deputy Chief U.S. Probation Officer, Eastern District of New York
Vincent Schiraldi, Senior Research Scientist, Columbia School of Social Work and co-Director, Columbia Justice Lab

Katherine Tahja, Assistant Deputy Chief U.S. Pretrial & Probation Officer, Southern District of Iowa

Dr. Kevin T. Wolff, Program of Doctor Studies in Criminal Justice, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

3:20 – 3:30 Afternoon Break

3:30 – 4:30 The Role of Mercy and Dignity in Criminal Justice: From Restoration to Clemency

Moderator: Norm Reimer, Executive Director, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

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Prof. Rachel Barkow, Professor of Law, New York University School of Law and
Faculty Director, Center on the Administration of Criminal Law

Julio Medina, Founder, Executive Director, & CEO, Exodus Transitional
Community

Hon. Leo Sorokin, U.S. District Judge, District of Massachusetts

4:30 – 5:30 The International Landscape of Alternatives

Moderator: Miriam Krinsky, Founder and Executive Director, Fair and Just
Prosecution

Lindsay LaSalle, Director of Public Health Law and Policy, Drug Policy Alliance

Michael Jacobson, Executive Director, CUNY Institute for State and Local
Governance

Rebecca Shaeffer, Senior Lawyer, Fair Trials

CLOSING REMARKS

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