

# CLAJ Semi-annual Meeting

## November 8-9, 2023

NAS Building (2101 Constitution Ave NW, Washington, DC)

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023**

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### OPEN SESSION

**10:15am – 12:00pm      Futurecasting: New Directions for the Field and How CLAJ Can Contribute (Board Room)**

*Moderator: Sally Simpson, University of Maryland, CLAJ vice-chair*

Nate Balis, Annie E. Casey Foundation

Dara Blachman-Demner, National Institutes of Health

Jennifer Doleac and Jocelyn Fontaine, Arnold Ventures

Adam Gamoran, WT Grant Foundation

Keira Gipson, U.S. Department of State

Nancy La Vigne, National Institute of Justice

Thomas Simon, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**Guiding Questions:**

- What are the most pressing issues facing the criminal/juvenile justice fields?
- Where could the Committee on Law and Justice have the biggest impact?

**12:00pm – 1:00pm      LUNCH (transition to Room 125)**

**1:00pm – 5:00pm      Public Seminar: CrimeSolutions: What Works, What Doesn't, What's Promising: Feedback from the Field (Room 125)**

**1:00pm – 1:05pm      Welcome**

*Robert Crutchfield, University of Washington, CLAJ chair*

**1:05pm – 2:15pm      Perspectives on Evidence Translation**

*Moderator: Cynthia Lum, George Mason University, CLAJ member*

CrimeSolutions: Vision, Purpose, Use

*Phelan Wyrick, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice*

Other Examples of Translation Efforts:

*Brandon Welsh, Northeastern University*

*Mark Lipsey, Vanderbilt University (virtual)*

*Pamela Buckley, University of Colorado, Boulder*

**2:15pm – 2:30pm**

**BREAK**

**2:30pm – 4:00pm**

**Case Studies: Program Rating Discussion**

*Moderator: Vincent Schiraldi, Maryland Department of Juvenile Services,  
CLAJ member*

Case Study 1: [Effects of Prison Video Visitation on Recidivism \(Minnesota\)](#)

Discussant 1: Sarah Tahamont, University of Maryland

Discussant 2: OJ Mitchell, University of California, Irvine (virtual)

Case Study 2: [One Summer Plus—Jobs Only \(Chicago, IL\)](#)

Discussant 1: Charles Loeffler, University of Pennsylvania

Discussant 2: Naomi Goldstein, Drexel University

Case Study 3: [Geographically Based Focused Deterrence Intervention](#)

Discussant 1: Jennifer Doleac, Arnold Ventures

Discussant 2: Greg Midgette, University of Maryland

**4:00pm – 4:15pm**

**BREAK**

**4:15pm – 5:00pm**

**Path Forward: Vision for the Future**

*Facilitator: Nancy La Vigne, National Institute of Justice*

Guiding Questions:

- What are opportunities moving forward to ensure that CrimeSolutions meets its intended vision and purpose?
- What is the goal of translation efforts? How can researchers facilitate evidence translation?
- What information from the review process needs to be communicated? At what level of detail? How does it get communicated in a visually digestible signaling approach?