



## Right to Counsel National Campaign Quarterly Webinar

The Right to Counsel National Campaign invites you to tune into our upcoming quarterly webinar, "Real Talk with Former Defenders: Continuing to Champion the Right to Counsel in Alternative Justice System Roles", on June 13th from 1:00-2:30 EST. For this webinar, we will launch a new series entitled "Real Talk." This inaugural segment will focus on former public defenders who have gone on to act as champions of the right to counsel in different capacities within the justice system. Moderated by Genevieve Citrin Ray, Project Director of the Right to Counsel National Campaign, the segment will feature Seema Gajwani, Special Counsel for Juvenile Justice Reform at the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia; Judge Betty Moore of Shelby County, TN and Zoë Root, Senior Policy Counsel at the Justice Programs Office at American University.

Click [here](#) to register for the webinar!

## Project Directors Update

The Justice Programs Office is pleased to announce that Preeti Menon (left) will be the new Project Director for the National Drug Court Resource Center. Preeti has been a staple at JPO since 2014, having previously worked at the U.S. Department of Justice as a Policy Advisor on Adjudication for the Bureau of Justice Assistance and as a Social Science Program Specialist for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. She was JPO's Interim Director in the summer of 2016 and now serves the Associate Director of Strategic Partnerships. For more about Preeti, click [here](#).



Zoë Root (right), Senior Policy Counsel at JPO, will be the Project Director for the Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts Training and Technical Assistance Project. Zoë joined JPO in 2016, after five years as a Supervising Attorney and Staff Attorney at the Bronx Defenders. For more about Zoë, click [here](#).

## Join the JDTC Interactive Listserv!

The juvenile drug treatment court (JDTC) interactive listserv is a way for you to connect with other practitioners in the field. If you have an issue that you are struggling to address in your court or program, chances are someone else has dealt with it too. This listserv gives you an opportunity to connect to the nation-wide juvenile drug treatment court community, ask questions of others in the field, assist other juvenile drug treatment courts and programs address their concerns, and share resources on issues unique to the JDTC field. To sign up, send an e-mail to [jdtc@american.edu](mailto:jdtc@american.edu) with "Subscribe to listserv" in the subject line.

For more information on the Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Training and Technical Assistance Project at the Justice Programs Office at American University, go to [www.au-jdte.org](http://www.au-jdte.org).

## Brown Bag Lunches with OSF and JPO

Tuesday June 20th is going to be the first student lunch with the Open Society Foundation (OSF). OSF and JPO will hold monthly lunches with AU students. By pursuing this partnership, OSF and JPO hope to increase engagement with college students, ensure that their voices are represented in criminal justice policy proposals and to spark interest in students to pursue a career in criminal justice reform.

## See the SAA Team this Summer!

This summer, Project Director Genevieve Citrin Ray and JPO staff will be attending the [National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyer's 16th Annual State Criminal Justice Network Conference](#) in San Francisco July 26-27 and the 2017 [National Forum on Criminal Justice](#) in Long Beach July 30-August 1. Look for us and come say hi!

*The Justice Programs Office (JPO), under the School of Public Affairs at American University, is pleased to present its monthly newsletter. Our current initiatives include the National Drug Court Resource, Policy, and Evidence-Based Practice Center, the Right to Counsel (R2C) National Campaign, the Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Training and Technical Assistance Initiative, and Training and Technical Assistance for State Administering Agencies. Please forward this newsletter to your colleagues and partners in the field. If you have been forwarded this email but would like to receive it directly, email [justice@american.edu](mailto:justice@american.edu).*

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