

Washington State Minority and Justice Commission
2024 Supreme Court Symposium

*A Legacy of Harm:
Examining the Impacts of Our Sentencing Paradigm*

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

John A. Cherberg Building
Senate Hearing Room 4 (SHR4)
304 15th Ave. SW
Olympia, WA 98504



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- I. **8:30 Opening Welcome:** Minority and Justice Commission Co-chair Judge Veronica Galván, *King County Superior Court*
- II. **8:45 – 9:45 History of Sentencing Laws in Washington State**
 - ❖ Indeterminate Sentencing Era and Adoption of the Sentencing Reform Act: Judge Wesley St. Clair (ret.)
 - ❖ Post-Sentencing Reform Act Sentencing Policy: Dr. Katherine Beckett and Dr. Heather Evans, *University of Washington*
- III. **9:50 – 10:50 Facts About Sentencing and Safety**
 - ❖ Impacts of Sentencing Law Changes and Life and Long Sentences on Recidivism: Dr. Katherine Beckett, *University of Washington*
 - ❖ Impacts of Juvenile Decline Laws on Recidivism: Dr. Heather Evans and Dr. Emily Knaphus-Soran, *University of Washington*
- IV. **11:00 – 12:00 Panel Discussion: Charting A Better Path Forward**
 - ❖ Moderator: Director Michele Storms, *ACLU-WA*
 - ❖ Judge André Peñalver, *Pierce County Superior Court*
 - ❖ Eugene Youngblood, *Look 2 Justice*
 - ❖ La'Keisha "KeWee" Roselle, *The Black Rose Collective*
 - ❖ Alexis Hale, *Justice for Girls Youth Advocate*
- V. **12:00 – 2:00 Reception with the Washington Supreme Court**
 - ❖ ABC Rooms, John A. Cherberg Building