



CHAIRMAN'S MEMORANDUM

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TO: SHERIFFS, JAIL ADMINISTRATORS, COMMISSIONERS OF CORRECTION, SUPERINTENDENTS, WARDENS

RE: New Additions to the Commission's Field Staff

The Commission is pleased to announce the appointment of several new staff members to the Bureau of Field Operations. All were carefully recruited and screened for their wealth of relevant experience, their exceptional skills and their ability to work smoothly with correctional and juvenile justice executives and staff throughout New York State. The Commission believes each of them will be an excellent resource for New York's correctional and juvenile justice establishments for many years to come.

Paul Annetts

Paul Annetts began his criminal justice career in the Department of Correctional Services where he served as a Correctional Counselor, managing, evaluating and improving facility-based correctional work release and drug and alcohol abuse programs. He also has extensive experience as an addiction counselor and case manager. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice. Paul will be assigned to the Central New York Regional Unit and will also work extensively in Department of Correctional Services facilities.

Michelle Cramer

A former Montgomery County correction officer, Michelle Cramer holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Utica College of Syracuse University. In 1996 Michelle was appointed to the Transition Team responsible for opening the new Montgomery County Correctional Facility, an enormously complex area of expertise of vital interest to the Commission. Michelle is assigned to the Western Regional Unit and will work in facilities development as part of the Commission's New Institutions Transition Assistance Program (NITAP).

Micheal Crowley

Micheal Crowley has held several positions in the NYS Department of Correctional Services beginning with correction officer in 1982. Micheal holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration from SUNY, Empire State College. He most recently served as manager of a regional work release program for the Department. Micheal also developed and implemented the Department of Correctional Services' automated Correction Work Release Program for 14 upstate Community Correction Centers (work release, day reporting). Micheal has developed and improved several

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community correction programs for the Department. Micheal is assigned to the Western Regional Unit and will also be a New Institutions Transition Assistance Program (NITAP) resource.

Richard Kinney

Rich Kinney brings a wide range of correctional and criminal justice experience to the Commission. He started with the NYS Department of Correctional Services in 1982, serving as coordinator of temporary release programs. This brought him in close working contact with the management teams of State correctional facilities throughout New York State, and afforded him valuable program development and evaluation experience. Rich then moved on to the Division of Criminal Justice Services where he worked for eight years in the development and continuing evaluation of law enforcement organizations in every region of New York State. Rich holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and Psychology from SUNY, Empire State College. Rich is a seasoned criminal justice professional who is already a valuable asset to the Commission. He is assigned to the Central New York Regional Unit.

Peggy Loffredo

Peggy Loffredo is a registered professional nurse with nine years of facility-based experience in the NYS Department of Correctional Services. Peggy is an expert in standards and quality of care issues, inter-agency health services liaison, infectious disease, in particular HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis, and occupational health, all areas of vital concern to the Commission. Peggy has extensive experience in treating inmates, health education of inmates and in supportive group care of chronically ill inmates. The Commission is fortunate to have this veteran correctional and health care professional working in the agency's Forensic Medical Unit in association with the Correction Medical Review Board.

Donald Nadler

Well known to nearly all upstate New York correctional professionals, Don Nadler comes to the Commission after a long and distinguished career in corrections. After earning a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and Sociology from Hope College, Don began as a correction officer in Montgomery County in 1975, became a Lieutenant in that department in 1987, then progressed through the ranks to shift sergeant (1992), and Jail Administrator of the Fulton County Correctional Facility for the past three years. Don's career speaks for itself and we at the Commission are fortunate that he elected to continue it with us. Don will begin work in the Western Regional Unit and will be transitioning into a leading role in the Commission's Training Program.

Kathleen Stack

Kathleen Stack brings a wealth of experience to Commission field operations, beginning with her service as a correction officer at Albany County Correctional Facility in 1988. Kathleen went on to serve as a correction counselor in the Inmate Service Unit at Albany County in 1991. She has big-jail security know-how and a proven record of dealing effectively with inmates. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from SUNY, Empire State College. Kathleen is presently assigned to the Eastern Regional Unit of the Bureau of Field Operations.

Keith Zobel

Keith Zobel comes to the Commission with experience in juvenile justice, the Commission's newest field of endeavor. Keith's service as a Youth Division Aide at Brookwood Secure Center in Columbia County provides the Commission with depth in the oversight of facilities housing the most violent and dangerous juvenile offenders, a major segment of the Commission's mandate since 1996. Keith will be assigned to the Central Regional Unit and will work extensively in secure residential centers operated by the Office of Children and Family Services, formerly the Division for Youth.

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