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CEO/President, Youth and Families in Crisis, LLC

MA'AT Training Institute for Restorative Justice Behavioral Health Alternatives

Dr. Ivy is a Master Restorative Justice Circle Keeper, National Certified Restorative Justice Trainer since 2000, Global Sound Healer, Mindfulness Psychotherapist, Recording Artist, and Soprano Vocalist. She has created a breakthrough concept called Sound Vibronics, the new Medicine for the 21st Century. A mindfulness methodology, teaching and inspiring life transformation, functional wellness, and spiritual enlightenment. A paradigm shift for psychological, physiological, emotional healing and *brainwave circle facilitation*.

Co-founder, CEO and President of Youth and Families in Crisis, LLC - MA'AT Training Institute for Restorative Justice, Prince Georges County Maryland. A family-based consulting firm, who has served as the lead Restorative Justice contractor for the District of Columbia Government, Superior Court Youth Probation. A longtime community activist deeply entrenched in the community for over forty years. Her vision and dedicated contribution to World Peace is the transformative philosophy of Balanced and Restorative Justice, Mindfulness, and Acoustic Physics. Dedicated to continuing finding ways of sustaining the RJ movement throughout the world with BrainWave Wellness.



Dr. Tyreese R. McAllister

Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor, LPC, CSOTP, CCTP

Dr. Tyreese R. McAllister has over 25 years of experience, providing quality mental health services. She specializes in emergency mental health helping individuals experiencing both crisis and/or traumatic events. Tyreese has a Masters of Art in Counseling Psychology and a Post Masters Certificate in Addiction Counseling from Johns Hopkins University. She is licensed in DC, Maryland, and Virginia, and holds the specialized certification that allows her to supervise counselors seeking supervision for licensure. She is a Certified Sex Offender Treatment Provider (CSOTP) and Certified Clinical Trauma Treatment Specialist. Her areas of expertise are crisis, post-traumatic stress disorder, and grief. In addition to counseling individuals experiencing psychiatric disorders and crisis, Tyreese is skilled at helping individuals work through some of life challenges, specifically anger management, conflict resolution, coping skills, stress management.



Vincent Schiraldi

Secretary of the Maryland Department of Juvenile Services

Since 2023, Vincent Schiraldi has been Secretary of the Maryland Department of Juvenile Services.

Vincent Schiraldi is a national leader in criminal/juvenile justice and mass incarceration reform, a field he has worked in for more than four decades. He previously served as Commissioner of New York City's Department of Correction, and before that Columbia University, where he served as Senior Research Scientist at the Columbia School of Social Work and co-Director of the Columbia Justice Lab, working to reduce the footprint and negative impact of community corrections, eliminate youth prisons, and create a developmentally appropriate response to offending by young adults. Mr. Schiraldi went to Columbia from the Harvard Kennedy School Program in Criminal Justice where he was a Senior Researcher. Mr. Schiraldi also has extensive government experience in criminal and juvenile justice. While Commissioner of New York City's Department of Correction, he attempted to close Riker's Island and end the practice of solitary confinement. Mr. Schiraldi also served as director of juvenile corrections in Washington DC, as Commissioner of the New York City Department of Probation, and as Senior Policy Adviser to the NYC Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice. He also pioneered efforts at community-based alternatives to incarceration in NYC and Washington DC as founder and executive director of the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice and Justice Policy Institute, respectively. Schiraldi has lectured at the Columbia University School of Social Work, Harvard Law School, NYU School of Social Work, San Francisco University, and the Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform. Schiraldi received a Master's in Social Work from New York University, and a Bachelor of Arts from Binghamton University.



Natasha M. Dartigue
Maryland State Public Defender

Natasha M. Dartigue is the Maryland State Public Defender, appointed for a six-year term starting July 1, 2022. A 1995 graduate of Howard University School of Law, she clerked for Judge Roger W. Brown before joining the Office of the Public Defender in Baltimore City. Dartigue has held various roles, including trial attorney and felony trial supervisor, before becoming the first person of color to lead the Maryland Office of the Public Defender.

Dartigue, the daughter of Haitian immigrants, emphasizes the significance of her role in inspiring Black, brown, and immigrant children. An alumna of the Greater Baltimore Committee's Leadership Program, she is dedicated to community advocacy and professional leadership, serving in numerous organizations such as the Maryland State Bar Association, Bar Association for Baltimore City, and the Alliance of Black Women Attorneys.

Her board memberships include Maryland Youth and the Law, Innovation Works, and the Loyola Blakefield Board of Trustees. As an executive mentor for Innovation Works, Dartigue supports social enterprise leaders. She also focuses on social equity, conducting workshops on diversity, equity, and inclusion, and providing implicit bias and leadership training.

Dartigue's achievements have earned her numerous awards, including the Government Lawyer of the Year by the Bar Association of Baltimore City, the Leadership in Law Award, and being named one of the Daily Record's 2018 Top 100 Women. In 2022, she was honored as an Influential Marylander and listed among the Baltimore Sun's "25 Black Marylanders to Watch in 2023."



Alex Lambert

Restorative Justice Facilitator and Trainer

Alex L. Lambert III is a restorative justice practitioner and trainer, public speaker, and proud Bowie State University graduate. Though he was born in Washington, D.C., he grew up in Martinsburg, West Virginia where he recognized the need to improve the ways in which communities manage conflict and handle discipline. His training in restorative justice has enabled him to empower the communities of his hometown and the greater DMV metropolitan area. Alex has facilitated restorative circles for local schools and neighborhoods, as well as U.S. government agencies to assist in the implementation of more community-focused practices. Throughout his career, he has helped to create safer, collaborative school environments; repair family relationships; and challenge the American school-to-prison pipeline. Alex is a father of two beautiful daughters and is very passionate about creating a more restorative society for the future of his daughters, the current generation of young people, and the generations to come.