



THE PRETRIAL POST

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Dear Reader,

We ask for feedback and suggestions and welcome ideas if you would like to be featured in the next publishing. If you feel you have an article you would like to submit please let us know!

Thank you,

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Meet Colorado's New NAPSA Southwest Region Director! Domingo Corona

As the new NAPSA (National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies) Southwest Regional Director, I would like to offer my greetings and introduce myself to those of you working in the pretrial field in Colorado.



My day job is in Tucson, Arizona where I am the Director of Pretrial Services in the Arizona Superior Court of Pima County. I have worked in the pretrial field for just under 20 years, and I have served in a leadership role with the agency for 19 of those years. Additionally, I represent Pima County on Arizona's formal Pretrial Services Committee and lead an informal association of Arizona Pretrial Services directors and managers. Alongside my work with NAPSA, I am a member of the National Institute of Corrections' Pretrial Executives Network.

Regarding the Southwest Regional directorship, I am here to support NAPSA's goals of offering networking and training opportunities on a more local level. This will of course supplement the national conference and other, more global strategies. One of my responsibilities is to continue the fine work Mesa County's Joel Bishop accomplished as my predecessor. He worked with NAPSA leadership to establish and implement a Southwest Regional Council and produced a training opportunity for NAPSA members in the Southwest Region. Lastly, I look forward to working with the state associations in both Colorado and California as we move forward with NAPSA's goals.

A little about me, I am a lifelong Arizonan. I grew in a small mining town and completed my undergraduate degree at the University of Arizona. I recently finished up a master's degree through the University of Nevada, Reno, as well. In my free time I enjoy reading books, traveling, good movies, and sports. Though my brother is an avid Denver Broncos fan, I follow the Dallas Cowboys. Having said that, Denver, Colorado is one of my favorite cities to visit, both for business and personal reasons, and I am a huge Colorado Rockies fan. I try to make to Coors Field every other year to catch a couple games.

I look forward to working with my fellow pretrial practitioners in the Southwest and Colorado, and if you have any questions about NAPSA or would like to participate, please reach out to me.

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Meet Our Newest CAPS Members!

Elizabeth Stewart, Vice President-

Elizabeth joins the team from the 9th Judicial district, primarily Garfield County and is supervisor for the Pretrial Program. Elizabeth lives in Rifle, Colorado, home of Rifle Falls with her husband, soon to be son, Saint Bernard Bella and her mini farm. Coming from New York, she has escaped the fast paced life and has enjoyed calling Colorado her home for the last 6 years. Elizabeth obtained her Associates Degree in Criminal Justice Police Science and Bachelors of Human Services with an emphasis on Criminal Justice from Empire State. When she was given the opportunity to help jump start a pretrial program for the 9th Judicial district, she didn't hesitate. Her personal passion is enjoying life in and around the community in which she lives, for which she says pretrial services directly affects. "I live in a good hardworking community, surrounded by opportunity, outdoors and wonderful people. I am so fortunate to be able to grow here, both professional, personally and spiritually. I look forward to growing and learning with our CAPS team as well."



Yasmin Mauricio, Jefferson County Pretrial Services-

My name is Yasmin Mauricio, and I just started my journey on the CAPS Board as a Member-at-Large. A little bit about myself, I am from Arizona (not a native here). I moved to this beautiful State in 2014, and I am not moving back (Sorry AZ)! I am married and have a 2 1/2 year-old toddler that keeps me busy. During my free time I love spending time with my family, being outdoors, and traveling.



Kamie Cooley, Weld County Pretrial Services

Hi CAPS Members! I'm Kamie Cooley. I am a member-at-large on the CAPS Board and have been working at Weld County Pretrial Services since 2012. Pretrial is my passion and I love Weld County (especially our team in the Justice Services Department). I am a Colorado native. I received my bachelor's degree at the University of Northern Colorado and a Master's Degree at the University of Phoenix-Online. When I am not working, I enjoy spending time with my family



“What’s Up” Around Colorado

Boulder County: There have been many new implementations and program changes over the last year and will continue into 2018 as we do our part in trudging forward to a risk-based system. The Intake Unit (Bond Commissioner Office) is now using the Domestic Violence Screening Instrument (DVSI), in addition to the CPAT, to further assess specialized domestic violence populations. There has also been a new supervision matrix implemented which factors the CPAT Category vs. Severity of Charge. This has implemented the Bond Commissioners’ process for structured-decision making in terms of recommendations to the Court as well as helped outline guidelines of supervision for the Pretrial Case Management Unit for defendants to succeed in their pretrial period while still keeping the community safe. In addition to that, we have launched a new case management software system, Automon! Many exciting projects have been successful in 2017 and we will continue to embark on new ones in 2018 as we do our part in improving our system!

Larimer County: In September 2017, our revised Administrative Order and Praxis was released to include the number of PR and CO-PR bond recommendations to the Court and bonds set Pre-Advisement. We also implemented text messaging for Court date reminders in addition to our Court caller position. Finally, we have increased our Electronic Home Detention (EHM) supervision to assist in decreasing the pre-trial jail population.

Weld County: Pretrial Services recently deployed SCRAM Remoted Breath Device technology to strengthen its supervision of certain defendants with a current alcohol related charge, who may live/work out of Colorado or are employed in a rural area (oil rigs, etc.). Weld County Pretrial Services partnered with Intervention, Inc. for initial device hookups and pretrial personnel manage the alerts. So far, use of this technology is proving beneficial and is allowing these defendants the ability to remain at liberty and the opportunity to demonstrate good pretrial conduct.

Douglas County: Douglas County partnered with Arapahoe County in the summer of 2017 to implement Colorado Judicial Management System (CJMS), a new software program used by both counties for managing judicial services clients. Douglas County is excited about how well the implementation went, the capabilities of the new program, and the ability to share data with another county in Colorado. Douglas County is continuing to work with Arapahoe County to make additional enhancements/customizations to the program for future growth.

Garfield County: Pretrial is continuing to grow in Garfield County! With the help of our stakeholders and commissioners, we were approved for our much needed two full-time employees. Garfield County which also services Aspen, now has a Pretrial team of five!

Mesa County: On January 1, 2018, Administrative Order 18-01, 21st Judicial District Pretrial Policies and Guidelines or simply put “Bond Guidelines” went into effect. As a continuing effort to use outcome data to make evidence based decisions a few changes were made to the bond guidelines. One change was a refinement in our crime classifications mostly having to do with drug felonies. The second most important change was to remove any wording of monetary conditions. The new guidelines offer three recommendations based on CPAT risk assessment. 1) Release-PR, 2) No Recommendation (PTS if released), and 3) Release Not Recommended (PTS if released).

Jefferson County: Greetings from Jefferson County! We are looking forward to having another great year in 2018! We have some exciting opportunities on the horizon. We are in the process of implementing a new computer database that allows our agency to supervise those under Pretrial Services supervision most effectively, while also providing us with the capability to track necessary statistics to help measure outcomes. In addition, we are looking at new ways to proactively promote community safety and the court appearance rate by implementing new strategies to remind defendants of their upcoming court date for those involved in the criminal justice system in Jefferson County. We have a few fresh faces to add to our already talented team and we are looking forward to their contributions going forward!

