#### Linda Baldwin

Director, Sex Offender Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking Office, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice



Prior to joining the U.S. Department of Justice's SMART Office, Ms. Baldwin served as a project manager for the New York State Unified Court System's Office of Court Administration, where she planned and implemented groundbreaking problem-solving court initiatives on behalf of the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for Court Operations and Planning. During her 7-year tenure, Ms. Baldwin implemented and expanded statewide initiatives for New York State's sex offense, mental health, and drug treatment courts.

As part of her work on the New York State Sex Offense Court Initiative, Ms. Baldwin organized training programs designed to teach and promote best practices for managing the high-risk population of sex offenders. She also led an effort to create the Initiative's mission statement and key principles, which were designed to guide and promote uniformity among these courts. Ms.

Baldwin personally provided technical assistance to the first five sex offense courts in New York State.

Prior to joining the New York State Unified Court System, Ms. Baldwin spent 8 years in private practice, concentrating in commercial litigation, real estate, and zoning law. She began her legal career as a law clerk for New Jersey Supreme Court Justice Gary S. Stein after receiving her law degree from Columbia University School of Law in 1993.

Before attending law school, Ms. Baldwin worked for 5 years for the City of New York's Department of Housing Preservation and Development and Department of City Planning. Ms. Baldwin received a master's degree in urban planning from the New York University Wagner School of Public Service in 1989 and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Amherst College in 1985.

# Michael Black Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior



Mr. Black is an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe in South Dakota and his appointment as Director of the BIA became effective on April 25, 2010. As Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), he is responsible for managing the BIA's day-to-day operations through four offices: Indian Services, Justice Services, Trust Services, and Field Operations. These offices administer or fund tribally based infrastructure, law enforcement, social services, tribal governance, natural and energy resources, and trust management programs for 564 federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribes in 33 states through 12 regional offices and 85 agencies.

Prior to becoming BIA director, Mr. Black had served since July 20, 2008, as Regional Director of the BIA's Great Plains Regional Office in Aberdeen, S.D., following an 8 month

appointment starting in June 2007 as the acting regional director. The office oversees 12 agencies serving 16 federally recognized tribes in Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Black began his federal career in 1987 with the BlA's Aberdeen Area Office (now the Great Plains Regional Office) as General Engineer in the Branch of Facilities Management. From 1992 to 2001, he worked in the BlA's Billings Area Office (now the Rocky Mountain Regional Office) as Regional Facility Manager where he was responsible for facilities construction and operations and maintenance programs. In December 2001, he was named Chief of the Office's Division of Engineering, where he was responsible for regional facility management, road construction, and road maintenance and safety programs. In January 2004, Black was promoted to the Rocky Mountain Regional Office's post of Deputy Regional Director-Indian Services, where he was responsible for the management and oversight of Road Construction, Road Maintenance, Tribal Government Services, Credit, Housing, Self-Determination, Social Services, Safety, and Environmental and Cultural Resources Management programs.

Mr. Black received a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in 1986.

# Rodger B. Boyd

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Native American Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development



Mr. Boyd is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Office of Native American Programs (ONAP), Department of Housing and Urban Development. The ONAP provides several programs, including the Indian Housing Block Grant (a formula block grant program providing funds for affordable housing) and two loan guarantee programs for housing development and home ownership. In addition, ONAP administers the Indian Community Development Block Grant Program. Recipients of all these funds include 564 federally recognized Indian Tribes, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians. In addition, ONAP provides home ownership opportunities through Section 184 and 184(A) mortgage guarantees.

Prior to this position, Mr. Boyd was Program Manager in the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of the Treasury. As Manager of the Fund's Native American program,

he designed and directed the Fund's congressionally mandated Native American Lending Study. He also initiated the Fund's Native American Technical Assistance and Training Program to encourage the establishment of Native-owned community development financial institutions (CDFIs) in Indian reservations, Alaska Native villages, and Native Hawaiian communities.

Throughout his career, Mr. Boyd has worked with Indian Tribal governments, Federal agencies, and the private sector in developing economic development opportunities to establish self-sustaining reservation economies. His work has included the development and implementation of Federal Indian policies, economic and community development ventures, housing, and business development. As a private consultant, his professional services included reservation strategic economic development planning and technical assistance in creating commercial businesses, Tribal corporations, and housing development.

Mr. Boyd is an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation and holds a Bachelor of Architecture from the University of New Mexico and a Master of City and Regional Planning degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

# Susan B. Carbon Director, Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice



Judge Carbon is the Director of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women (OVW). She was nominated to this position by President Barack Obama on October 1, 2009 and confirmed by the U.S. Senate on February 11, 2010. As OVW Director, she serves as the liaison between the Department of Justice and federal, state, tribal, and international governments on crimes of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. In this role, she is responsible for developing the Department's legal and policy positions regarding the implementation of the Violence Against Women Act and oversees an annual budget of nearly \$400 million.

Judge Carbon was first appointed to the bench in 1991, and served as Supervisory Judge of the New Hampshire Judicial Branch Family Division from 1996 until 2010. She was a member of the Governor's

Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence and chaired New Hampshire's Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee. She was Chair of the Grafton County, NH Greenbook Project, a collaborative effort between the U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to improve practice where child protection cases intersect with domestic violence. She was also Lead Model Court Judge in New Hampshire for the nationwide initiative of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) to improve court practice surrounding child protection cases, focusing on foster care and adoption. Judge Carbon also served as President of NCJFCJ from 2007 to 2008, and was President of the New Hampshire State Bar Association from 1993 to 1994. Judge Carbon has worked with the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts on two of their major initiatives conducted at the Wingspread Conference Center, the Family Law Education Reform Project (FLER Project), and Domestic Violence and Family Courts, dealing with differentiation of domestic violence in cases of child custody.

Judge Carbon has trained judges and other professionals across the country and internationally on topics related to family violence, firearms, child custody, and child protection. She has published extensively on these and other topics, including on judicial selection and retention and judicial administration. Judge Carbon served as faculty for the National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence—a partnership of OVW, the Family Violence Prevention Fund, and NCJFCJ. In September 2006, she chaired "Firearms and Domestic Violence: A National Summit for Community Safety," an initiative funded by the U.S. Department of Justice. She also chaired the project which produced the multidisciplinary Effective Issuance and Enforcement of Orders of Protection in Domestic Violence Cases (The Burgundy Book), a document used throughout the U.S. and its territories to guide professionals in their work around civil protection orders.

Judge Carbon is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the DePaul University College of Law. Prior to becoming a judge, she was in private practice for a decade, and previously worked at the American Judicature Society in Chicago on a number of national court reform initiatives.

### Garth Graham, MD

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Minority Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services



Dr. Garth N. Graham is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health in the Office of Minority Health at the Department of Health and Human Services. The Office of Minority Health develops and coordinates Federal health policy that addresses minority health concerns and ensures that Federal, State and local health programs take into account the needs of disadvantaged, racial and ethnic populations. The Office of Minority Health (OMH) was created by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in 1986 as a result of the Report of the Secretary's Task Force on Black and Minority Health.

Dr. Graham was previously appointed a White House Fellow and special assistant to former Secretary Tommy G. Thompson at the Department of Health and Human Services. He founded the Boston Men's Cardiovascular Health Project, a project designed to identify

behavioral explanations for decreased adherence to adequate diet and exercise by African American men. Dr. Graham was the Founding Senior Editorial Board Member of the Yale Journal of Health, Law, Policy, and Ethics, served on the Editorial Board of the Yale Journal of Biology and Science, Public Health Reports and a number of other guest editorial boards. He also served on the Public Health Executive Council of the Massachusetts Medical Society, the Board of Directors of Physicians for Human Rights, Chairman of the American Medical Association/MSS National Minority Issues Committee and on the Steering Committee of the Boston Men's Health Coalition. Dr. Graham is currently on the faculty of Harvard Medical School where he trained in Internal Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital and serves as a visiting scientist at the Harvard School of Public Health. He has authored scientific articles and presentations on cardiovascular disease, HIV/AIDS, and community medicine.

Dr. Graham earned a MD from the Yale School of Medicine, where he graduated cum laude. He was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha medical honor society and named a Yale President Public Service Fellow. Dr. Graham also earned an MPH from the Yale School of Epidemiology and Public Health with a focus in health policy administration. Dr. Graham obtained his Bachelor of Science degree from Florida International University, Miami. He has received numerous accolades for his leadership and service in promoting health, including the 2002 American Medical Association Leadership Award, the Partners in Excellence Award, the Miriam Kathleen Dasey Award from Yale Medical School, and the 2005 Reginald Hawkins award. The Business Network Journal also named him one of the Forty Leaders Under Forty.

### Pamela S. Hyde, JD

Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services



Pamela Hyde was nominated by President Barack, Obama and confirmed by the U.S. Senate in November 2009, as Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), a public health agency within the Department of Health and Human Services. The agency's mission is to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on America's communities.

Ms. Hyde is an attorney and comes to SAMHSA with more than 30 years' experience in management and consulting for public healthcare and human services agencies. She has served as a state mental health director, state human services director, city housing and human services director as well as CEO of a private non-profit managed behavioral healthcare firm. In 2003, she was appointed cabinet secretary of the New Mexico Human Services Department by Gov. Bill Richardson, where she worked effectively to provide

greater access to quality health services for everyone.

Ms. Hyde is a member of or has served as a consultant to many national organizations such as the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, the American College of Mental Health Administration, the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health, and the United States Department of Justice. She has been recognized by many groups, which include the American Medical Association, the National Governor's Association and the Seattle Management Association, for her creativity and leadership in policy and program development and in organizational management issues. Ms. Hyde has received special acknowledgment for her ability to build teams, develop coalitions and consensus, develop strategic plans and form the basis for action, and achieve identified goals in a constantly changing environment.

Ms. Hyde received her J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School (1976) and her B.A. from Southwest Missouri State University (1972).

#### Ron Lessard

## Strategic Advisor for Native American Affairs, Corporation for National and Community Service



Mr. Lessard is an American Indian from the Mohawk and Abenaki Tribes. He is the Strategic Advisor for Native American Affairs for the Corporation for National and Community Service which includes AmeriCorps State and National, VISTA, NCCC, Senior Corps, and Learn & Serve America Programs. He is the agency's primary liaison to American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian tribal communities and the organizations and federal agencies that serve them. He works across all program and support units to increase Native American participation in national service and works to develop and enhance programming to address the unique needs of Native American communities. Reporting directly to the CPO, he promotes coordination among the agency's programs and partners, collects information on challenges facing Native American communities, and evaluates progress. Mr. Lessard chairs the CNCS Committee on Native American Affairs and the education sub-

committee of the Interagency Working Group on Indian Affairs.

Mr. Lessard has a broad background dealing with federal, state, and local programs in partnership with Native American communities. He has worked in support and advocacy roles across a wide range of issues including housing, health, economic development, and cultural competency. Previously, he was the Program Manager for cultural competency for the National Minority Aids Education and Training Center at Howard University College of Medicine where he was responsible for the development HIV/AIDS cultural competency education, training, and capacity building tools for the purpose of educating and training, minority and minority-serving HIV/AIDS clinicians with a major concentration on the American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian populations.

Mr. Lessard was a member of the National Institute of Health's advisory planning committee for the National American Indian/Alaska Native HIV/AIDS 2006 conference and was a member of the National Urban Indian Family Coalition Advisory Board. He serves on the National Planning Committee for Collaborative Regional Trainings for the Indian Health Service. Mr. Lessard received a special appointment by the Governor of Maryland to serve as the Native American Liaison/ Community Development Director for the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. He was the Executive Director for the Baltimore American Indian Center in Baltimore, MD and served on the Baltimore City Crime Victim's Advisory Board and the Governor's Commission Subcommittees on Seniors Issues.

Mr. Lessard has extensive experience working in the nonprofit sector. He was the Technical and Management Assistance Specialist for NCALL Research, Inc., a nonprofit housing organization that provided housing education and technical and management assistance to Native American tribes and Tribal Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) through a contract with USDA's Rural Housing Service.

Mr. Lessard has been the keynote speaker and trainer at various national events, seminars, and conferences related to issues affecting Native American communities.

### Bernard K. Melekian

## Director, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice



Mr. Melekian was announced as the Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) by Attorney General Eric Holder on October 5, 2009. As Director of the COPS Office, Mr. Melekian leads an organization responsible for working closely with the nation's state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies to enhance the safety of communities by advancing community policing. Mr. Melekian is committed to using COPS Office programs and resources to help law enforcement build relationships and solve problems, which he sees as the basic building blocks of community policing.

Mr. Melekian was the Police Chief for the City of Pasadena, CA for more than 13 years before assuming leadership of the COPS Office. He also served with the Santa Monica Police Department for 23 years where he was awarded the Medal of Valor in 1978 and the

Medal of Courage in 1980. Mr. Melekian has been the recipient of numerous other leadership and service awards, and is recognized within the law enforcement field as a leader whose commitment to the advancement of community policing is built equally on years of patrol and SWAT experience, as well as a strong record of incorporating the needs of the community into police operations.

Mr. Melekian has served as the acting Fire Chief and Interim City Manager for the City of Pasadena. He was Chairman of the California Attorney General's Blue Ribbon Committee on SWAT Policy and is the former President of the 2009 Los Angeles County and California Police Chiefs Associations. Mr. Melekian also served on the National Board of Directors of the Police Executive Research Forum.

Mr. Melekian holds a bachelor's degree in American history and a master's degree in public administration, both from California State University, Northridge, and is a doctoral candidate in public policy at the University of Southern California. He is a graduate of the 150th session of the FBI National Academy and the 20th class of the California Command College.

Mr. Melekian served in the U.S. Army from 1967 to 1970. As a member of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve, he was called to active duty in 1991 during Operation Desert Storm and served in Saudi Arabia. Melekian served a second tour of active duty in 2003. He retired from the Coast Guard Reserves in 2009 after 28 years of service.

### Laurie O. Robinson

## Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice



Ms. Robinson was sworn in as Assistant Attorney General on November 9, 2009. She previously served as Assistant Attorney General at the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) from 1993 to February 2000. During that time, she oversaw the largest increase in federal spending on criminal justice research in the nation's history, and under her leadership the annual appropriations for OJP grew substantially - from \$800 million in 1993 to over \$4 billion in 2000. At the same time, she also spearheaded initiatives in areas ranging from comprehensive community-based crime control to violence against women, law enforcement technology, drug abuse, and corrections.

Ms. Robinson served as Acting Assistant Attorney General and Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General of OJP from January 2009 until nominated by President Obama in September 2009.

Since returning to the Department of Justice, she has overseen the implementation of the \$2.7 billion in programs for which Congress assigned responsibility to OJP under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act; launched a new agency-wide Evidence Integration Initiative to help ensure science-based approaches in OJP-funded programs; and held a series of listening sessions with state and local constituents to learn what OJP can do to better serve the field.

From 2004 until January 2009, Ms. Robinson served as director of the Master of Science Program in the University of Pennsylvania's Department of Criminology. Between 2001 and January 2009, she also served as a Distinguished Senior Scholar in the University's Jerry Lee Center of Criminology and as Executive Director of its Forum on Crime and Justice. Prior to joining the Department of Justice in 1993, Ms. Robinson was the director of the American Bar Association's (ABA) Section of Criminal Justice for 14 years, where she founded the ABA's Juvenile Justice Center.

Ms. Robinson has served on a number of national boards relating to the justice system (including the Board of Trustees of the Vera Institute of Justice (which she chaired), the Board of Directors of the Police Foundation, and the Advisory Board for the George Mason University Administration of Justice Program), has published numerous articles in criminal justice and legal periodicals, and has spoken at hundreds of criminal justice-related conferences and forums. She is a magna cum laude graduate of Brown University and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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### Yvette Roubideaux, MD

### Director, Indian Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services



Yvette Roubideaux, MD, MPH, a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, SD, is the Director of the Indian Health Service (IHS). Dr. Roubideaux was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as IHS Director on May 6, 2009, and she was sworn in on May 12, 2009. The IHS, an agency within the Department of Health and Human Services, is the principal federal health care advocate and provider for American Indians and Alaska Natives.

As the IHS Director, Dr. Roubideaux administers a \$4 billion nationwide health care delivery program composed of 12 administrative Area (regional) Offices. The IHS is responsible for providing preventive, curative, and community health care to approximately 1.9 million of the nation's 3.3 million American Indians and Alaska Natives in hospitals, clinics, and other settings throughout the United States.

Dr. Roubideaux previously worked for IHS for 3 years as a clinical director and medical officer at the San Carlos Service Unit on the San Carlos Apache Indian reservation in AZ, and she worked for 1 year as a medical officer at the Hu Hu Kam Memorial Indian Hospital on the Gila River Indian reservation in Arizona.

Dr. Roubideaux recently served as assistant professor of family and community medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine. Dr. Roubideaux has conducted extensive research on American Indian health issues, with a focus on diabetes in American Indians/Alaska Natives and American Indian health policy. Dr. Roubideaux served as the co-director of the Special Diabetes Program for Indians Demonstration Projects, in which 66 American Indian and Alaska Native communities are implementing diabetes prevention and cardiovascular disease prevention initiatives. She also served as director of two University of Arizona programs designed to recruit American Indian and Alaska Native students into health and research professions.

Dr. Roubideaux received her medical degree from Harvard Medical School in 1989 and completed a residency program in primary care internal medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston in 1992. She completed her Master of Public Health degree at the Harvard School of Public Health in 1997. She also completed the Commonwealth Fund/Harvard University Fellowship in Minority Health Policy before transitioning to a career in academic medicine and public health.

She is a past president of the Association of American Indian Physicians and co-editor of the American Public Health Association's book "Promises to Keep: Public Health Policy for American Indians and Alaska Natives in the 21st Century." She has authored several monographs and peer-reviewed publications on American Indian/Alaska Native health issues, research, and policy.

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