

Name of Panel: A History of Violence: Institutional Racism in Our Criminal Legal System

Date | Time | Location: June 5, 2020 | 1:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. ET | Online

Brief Description:

The killing of George Floyd is not a singular or unique event. Nationally, black people are three times as likely as white people to be killed by police, with even more people of color surviving police violence but suffering grievous physical and emotional injuries that reverberate throughout their communities. This discussion will focus on the institutional and systemic racism within our criminal legal system that leads to disproportionate police violence against black and brown people and against the protesters who take to the streets demanding change, and the ways we can address it.

Panelists' Names and Bios:

- *Russ Feingold*, President, American Constitution Society
- *Alfreda Robinson*, President & CEO, National Bar Association; Associate Dean & Director, Litigation & Dispute Resolution Program, George Washington University Law School
- *Justin Hansford*, Professor of Law and Executive Director, Thurgood Marshall Civil Rights Center, Howard University School of Law
- *Taja-Nia Henderson*, Dean, Rutgers Graduate School – Newark; Professor, Rutgers Law School
- *Teressa Ravenell*, Professor of Law and Associate Dean for Faculty Research and Development, Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law
- *Christopher Wright Durocher*, Senior Director of Policy & Program, American Constitution Society, *Moderator*

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- Introductions / Opening Remarks (5 min)
- Panel Discussion (45 min)
- Q&A (25 min)

Materials for Panel:

- NORA BENAVIDEZ & JAMES TAGER, PEN AMERICA [ARRESTING DISSSENT: LEGISLATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON THE RIGHT TO PROTEST](#) (2020).
- Kami Chavis, [Curbing Excessive Force: A Primer on Barriers to Police Accountability](#), ACS ISSUE BRIEF (2017).
- Justin Hansford, [The Whole System is Guilty as Hell](#), HARV. J. OF AFR. AM. POL'Y (Apr. 26, 2015)
- Taja-Nia Y. Henderson & Jamila Jefferson-Jones, [#LivingWhileBlack: Blackness as Nuisance](#), 69 AM. L. REV. 863 (2020).

- Teresa E. Ravenell & Armando Brigand, [*The Blurred Blue Line: Municipal Liability, Police Indemnification, and Financial Accountability in Section 1983 Litigation*](#), 62 VILL. L. REV. 839 (2017).
- THE POLICING CAMPAIGN, THE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE FOR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS, [NEW ERA OF PUBLIC SAFETY: AN ADVOCACY TOOLKIT FOR FAIR, SAFE, AND EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY POLICING](#) (2019).
- [MAPPING POLICE VIOLENCE](#) (last visited June 1, 2020).