

**Blueprint for the States
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Witness Biographies**

Arthur T. Dean, chairman and CEO, CADCA

Arthur T. Dean's responsibilities as chairman and CEO include providing strategic direction, diversifying and increasing funding, leading the board, being the primary spokesman for the organization and overseeing the operations and personnel of CADCA. Before joining CADCA, he spent 31 years in the U.S. Army, during which time he saw combat in the Republic of Vietnam and Saudi Arabia; served 6 years at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and Germany; commanded Army units from Company to Brigade; and served 10 years at Headquarters, Department of the Army in Washington, DC.

Beverly Watts Davis, senior advisor to the administrator for substance abuse, SAMHSA

Before this appointment, Beverly Watts Davis was director of SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP). CSAP works in partnership with Federal agencies, state and local government, and both public and private sector organizations to prevent the onset of illegal drug use, alcohol abuse, and tobacco use. Prior to her appointment at CSAP, Ms. Davis was the executive director of San Antonio Fighting Back and the senior vice president with the San Antonio United Way.

Diane Galloway, Ph.D., CDM group, Inc; former administrator, Department of Health Substance Abuse Division, Wyoming

Diane Galloway was with the SSA for Wyoming from 2000 to 2004. During her administration there were a number of initiatives that placed drug treatment as a high priority in the state. The impact of change in the state came from legislation which provided the funds and directed interagency collaboration. A comprehensive year long study assessed substance abuse impacts in the state and utilized experts to advise innovative and science-based approaches. This study resulted in the hallmark passage of the Comprehensive Substance Abuse Plan for Treatment, Intervention and Prevention. The \$25 million plan funded additional adult and juvenile drug courts, significantly increased outpatient drug treatment, and established an Addiction Severity Index conducted on ALL felony offenders.

Kathy Jett, director, California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

In this role, Kathy Jett directs and coordinates the state's efforts to prevent or minimize the effects of alcohol-related problems, narcotic addiction, and drug abuse. She is responsible for the implementation of the Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act of 2000 (Proposition 36) and administration of the federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment block grant. Prior to her current position, she was appointed director of the Attorney General's Crime and Violence Prevention Center in May 1999. In this role, Ms. Jett assisted the Attorney General in advocating effective crime prevention policies and strategies. During her term with the Attorney General's Office, Ms. Jett launched *California Safe from the Start*, a comprehensive strategy to bring community leaders from throughout the State together to address the impact of violence on children. Ms. Jett also serves as chair of the Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council for the Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug Problems. She will coordinate the state's strategic efforts to achieve measurable reductions in the inappropriate use of alcohol and other drugs by

youths and adults. Ms. Jett began her career as a counselor in an adolescent alcohol and drug program in Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

James McDonough, director, Florida Department of Drug Control

James McDonough is the director of the Florida Office of Drug Control. Appointed by the Governor, he is responsible for the coordination of all state efforts to decrease drug abuse and its consequences in Florida. From 1996-1999, he was director of Strategy for the Office of National Drug Control Policy, the White House agency that leads the nation's efforts to reduce drug abuse and its consequences on the American people. He was a key player in the conceptualization, planning, and execution of national drug policies to reduce the demand for and cut the supply of illegal drugs in America. He also served a full career as a United States Army officer before assuming his current position. During his active military service, he held a number of key assignments, that included command at every level from platoon (in Viet Nam) through brigade. He is the author of a number of professional articles and has published three books: *Platoon Leader* (also a movie), *The Defense of Hill 781*, and *The Limits of Glory*.

Luceille Fleming, former director of the Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services, Ohio

Luceille Fleming retired in July 2003 after more than 14 years as director of the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services (ODADAS). In Ohio, she built a cabinet-level alcohol/drug services department from the ground up. With aggressive pursuit of new funding, Fleming was able to increase the ODADAS budget by more than 200 percent in 14 years, and add \$147 million through competitive grants. In the area of criminal justice, Fleming blazed a trail that counts Ohio's Directors of Rehabilitation and Correction, Youth Services, and Criminal Justice Services as strong partners. Before arriving in Ohio, Fleming was the executive director of the Alcoholism and Addiction Association of Pennsylvania from 1977-1982 and deputy secretary of Health for Drug and Alcohol Programs in Pennsylvania from 1982-1987.

Janet Zwick, deputy director and division director of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Iowa Department of Public Health

Janet Zwick is a chief administrator/health systems advisor with more than 30 years experience in leadership in substance abuse treatment and prevention. Her expertise includes juvenile and adult substance abuse prevention, health care reform, managed care, team building, strategic planning, and inter/intra agency development. In her current position, she has successfully implemented and monitored managed care initiatives. She is responsible for juvenile and adult substance abuse prevention and treatment programs; health promotion programs; administering a state and federal budget of over forty million dollars; and has an active an ongoing interaction with local, state, and federal agencies. Ms. Zwick has received several awards including one from the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention for Outstanding Contribution and Leadership in the Prevention Field.

Jack Kemp, M.S., director of Substance Abuse Services, Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Delaware Health and Social Services

Jack Kemp has over 33 years of experience in the field of addictions, mainly in senior management positions with Substance Abuse Services in Delaware and New York. In addition to his current position in Delaware, he served as the director of the Treatment Access Center (TASC), overseeing a statewide program that provided liaison between the substance abuse treatment and criminal justice systems. In his current position in Delaware, Mr. Kemp redesigned and restructured the statewide substance abuse treatment system, and introduced a performance based contracting model that connects payment to performance. He served as executive leader for the Robert Wood Johnson/CSAT Network for the Improvement of Treatment (NIATx) State Pilot in Delaware to improve access and retention in treatment throughout the state. Mr. Kemp is also the principal investigator, in collaboration with the Treatment Research Institute, for a NIDA grant on Statewide Science-Based Concurrent Recovery Monitoring in Delaware. He is also a board member of the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors (NASADAD) and a member of the Washington Circle Policy and Public Sector committees.

John Daigle, executive director, Florida Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association; consultant, Legal Action Center

John Daigle is the executive director of the Florida Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association, a statewide organization that represents 110 community-based substance abuse treatment and prevention agencies, as well as 1,000 individuals concerned about substance abuse in Florida. John has more than 30 years of experience in the substance abuse treatment and prevention field, both at the community level in program development and administration, as well as at the state and national level, in advocacy, public policy development and association management. He has served on numerous statewide task forces, including the Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, the Florida Drug Abuse and Dropout Prevention Task Force, and the Governor's Substance Abuse Advisory Council. He currently serves on Governor Bush's Drug Control Advisory Council. On a national level, he is a past president of the State Associations of Addiction Services (SAAS), has served on the CSAT National Leadership Institute's Advisory Board and was a member of the CSAT National Treatment Plan Expert Panel on Research to Practice.

Hon. Jamey Weitzman, associate judge, District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City

Formerly, Judge Jamey Weitzman was assistant state's attorney and chief of the Narcotics Unit. Judge Weitzman has been involved in many drug prevention/education task forces and has created and produced a drug education film for students which is used throughout the country. She is the founder and administers Court Watch, a court visitation/student education project, and Teen Court which provides alternative sentencing for troubled youth. Judge Weitzman is the former chair of the Doctor/Lawyer/Student Drug Awareness Program and initiated drug enforcement and community anti-drug nuisance abatement legislation which is used statewide. Judge Weitzman is a nationally recognized expert on the operation of Drug Courts and authored Drug Courts: A Manual for Planning and Implementation. She is also the founder and former officer of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals and is the founder and administrator of the Baltimore City Drug Treatment Court Program. Judge Weitzman currently chairs the Maryland Drug Treatment Court Commission.

Paul Samuels, Esq, director and president, Legal Action Center

Paul Samuels has participated in ground-breaking litigation defending the rights of people with alcohol and drug histories, HIV disease, and criminal records; worked on and overseen numerous advocacy campaigns to combat discrimination, expand services, reform sentencing laws, and effect other important public policy advances; testified before numerous Congressional and state legislative committees; lectured in more than 25 States; and served on numerous national and state advisory groups. He has received a number of awards, including the Robert Wood Johnson Innovator Award (2002) and the Betty Ford Award, AMERSA (1998). Mr. Samuels joined the staff of the Legal Action Center while a law student in 1976, became a staff attorney upon graduation from Columbia Law School in 1979, executive vice president in 1983, and director/president in 1992. He is a graduate of Harvard College.

Uma Ahluwalia, M.S.W., interim director, D.C. Children and Family Services Agency

During her tenure, Uma Ahluwalia had oversight of direct services to children including CFSA's Clinical Practice; Licensing and Monitoring; and Policy, Planning and Program Support. In 2003, she served as director of External Affairs, a senior management position with responsibility for legislative initiatives, coordination of advisory panels, and leadership of the Interstate Compact for Placement of Children (ICPC). Ms. Ahluwalia was also assistant secretary for the Washington Department of Social and Health Services, Children's Administration--the top child welfare position in that state. Formally, she was the special assistant to the chief of staff, Office of the Governor of Maryland, where she researched and resolved county, inter- and intra-state, and national issues in the areas of adult services, aging, child welfare, disabilities, health, mental health, and welfare. Prior to that appointment, she served as deputy director for the Prince George's County (Maryland) Department of Child, Adult and Family Services. Ms. Ahluwalia directed a staff of 320 in providing child and adult welfare service in a suburban county undergoing rapid demographic and social change. During this time, the Department gained accreditation through the Council on Accreditation and moved to a performance-driven practice framework.

Harry Kressler, director, Pima Prevention Partnership, Arizona

Harry Kressler serves as the executive director of Pima Prevention Partnership (PPP), an agency that develops programs and services for under-served populations in Southern Arizona. This agency has developed collaborations and partnerships with community groups, agencies, and institutions to access funding for meaningful city, county, and statewide projects.

Deacon D. Dzierzawski, MOL, LICDC, chief executive officer, The Community Partnership, Ohio

Since 1996, Deacon D. Dzierzawski has been the executive director of the Lucas County Community Prevention Partnership; a systemic coalition dedicated to the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Prior to coming to Toledo, Mr. Dzierzawski was the community outreach director for the Franklin County Prevention Institute, a federally funded community partnership in Columbus Ohio. Mr. Dzierzawski has been an adult probation officer and a counselor and case manager in an inpatient adolescent treatment center in Southeastern Ohio. Mr. Dzierzawski is recognized as an expert in coalition development and environmental change and has been recognized as such by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention,

National Institute of Drug Abuse and the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America. He holds a Masters Degree in Organizational Leadership from Lourdes College.

Dennis Embry, Ph.D., president and CEO, PAXIS Institute, Arizona

Dennis Embry's work on prevention of substance abuse, violence, and mental illness; and promotion of health and safety among children has been featured in national media such as the Today Show and Good Morning America. Dr. Embry is the author of about 40 books and other training materials for science-based prevention of children's injuries, parenting and family difficulties, violence, substance abuse, and mental health. He is the scientist and creator behind PeaceBuilders, the PAX Good Behavior Game and other "best practices." Dr. Embry and his colleagues have recently completed the first prevention project with a scientific evaluation of success across states. He also gives workshops and presentations on community-based approaches to reducing drug endangerment. He has been a keynote speaker for various national and state organizations across the United States and overseas. Dr. Embry holds a number of honors, including being a National Research Advisory Council Senior Fellow for the New Zealand Government and the British Commonwealth as well as being a reviewer for the National Institutes of Health. He is a developmental and child psychologist, with his degree awarded from the University of Kansas. He is also a licensed psychologist.

John Coppola, executive director, Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers of New York; former president, State Associations of Addiction Services (SAAS)

John Coppola has responsibility for representing the interests of alcoholism and substance abuse treatment, prevention, research, and training providers throughout New York State. Mr. Coppola is past president of State Associations of Addiction Services, the national association of state associations representing chemical dependency programs. Mr. Coppola serves on advisory committees for the SAMHSA/CSAT Partnership for Recovery, CSAT Recovery Month, National Council of State Legislatures, Northeast Addiction Technology Transfer Center, Council on Accreditation, and on numerous committees for federal, regional, and state initiatives. Previously, Mr. Coppola was the executive director for Catholic Charities of Montgomery County. He also served as chairperson of the NYS Catholic Conference Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Committee, as chairperson of the Catholic Charities USA Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Committee, and held leadership positions on a number of other regional, statewide and national committees including an advisory role with the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Mr. Coppola holds a Masters Degree in Social Work from the University at Albany School of Social Welfare and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from Dominican College.

Johnny Allem, president, Johnson Institute, Washington D.C

Johnson Institute promotes policy enhancement by the recovery community through its Recovery Ambassador Program. Through its Faith Partners Team Ministry program, it equips people of faith to respond to problems with alcohol and other drugs in congregations. Johnny Allem brings more than 45 years of experience in journalism, business, government, political consulting, and advocacy. Previously, he served in the government of the District of Columbia as a mental health official. He designed grass roots systems for the Clinton-Gore campaign in 1992, served as president of the Society of Americans For Recovery, was director of communications for the

District Government, and served as director of operations of the Department of Mental Health Services. In 1972, he created the acclaimed PEOPLE political action training program for the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees union (A.F.S.C.M.E.) that has graduated over 40,000 union members. Mr. Allem is author of “Speaking Out for Addiction Recovery,” a text used to train leaders in America’s recovery community, and co-author of *Healing Places*, a book on the Johnson Institute’s acclaimed faith team ministry know as Faith Partners.

Lisa Mojer-Torres, Esq, civil rights attorney, Board of Directors, Faces and Voices of Recovery

Lisa Mojer-Torres is an attorney specializing in civil rights and health law. For the past ten years, she has represented people who experience discrimination because of former substance addiction. She is also an advocate for consumers of substance addiction treatment and recovery services, representing this constituency on multiple councils, committees, and boards. She currently serves as a consultant to the Division of Addiction Services for the State of New Jersey, (Department of Human Services). She is a member of the Board of Directors for Faces and Voices of Recovery, a national organization of people in addiction recovery which seeks to broaden social understanding and increase support for people in or seeking recovery. In 2005, Ms. Mojer-Torres participated on her third Institute of Medicine of the National Academies Committee, the Committee on Crossing the Quality Chasm: Adaptation to Mental Health and Addictive Disorders. In 2002, Ms. Mojer-Torres was a member of a Join Together national policy panel “Ending Discrimination Against People with Alcohol and Drug Problems.” In 2002, she completed a four year appointment to the (SAMHSA’s) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment’s National Advisory Council. In recognition of her leadership in educating the public about substance abuse treatment and research, she received the first Public Service Award presented by the National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA) in 1996.

Cynthia Moreno Tuohy, NCAC II, CCDC III, executive director, National Association of Addiction Counselors (NAADAC)

Cynthia Moreno Tuohy is the acting executive director of NAADAC, the Association of Addiction Professionals Ms. Tuohy also serves as the executive director of Danya Institute and the Central East Addiction Technology Transfer Center. Prior to this, she was the program director for Volunteers of America Western Washington, serving homeless populations and dealing with the co-occurrence of poverty and substance abuse issues. She has been the administrator of multi-county, publicly funded alcohol/drug prevention/ intervention/ treatment centers with services ranging from prenatal care to serving the elderly. Ms. Tuohy also has experience in developing and implementing programs dealing with adolescents, adults, seniors, school intervention, involuntary commitment, community mobilization, intensive outpatient and continuing care, impaired driver’s programs, EAP, and gang intervention/treatment.