

**ASSOCIATION FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE RESEARCH (CALIFORNIA)**

**STATEMENTS FROM NEW MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**RUDY HAAPANEN**, Ph.D., is Research Director at the Center for Public Policy Research, University of California at Davis. The Center focuses on youth as victims of abuse and neglect and youth who have entered the juvenile justice system. Major projects include a large longitudinal study of youth ageing out of foster care, establishing adequate financial support of foster care providers, and risk/needs assessment at the local (Probation) level. Before moving to UCD, Dr. Haapanen served as Chief of Research for the Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. That unit's research focused on classification of DJJ youth for special program needs, potential institutional violence, and risk of recidivism; performance measures for safety and programming; and evaluation of programs and services in DJJ institutions and parole. Rudy received his Ph.D. from the University of California at Davis. Over the years, his research has focused on the characteristics of serious juvenile offenders and factors that affect outcomes and long-term careers. He has published on persistent criminality, the effectiveness of drug testing of juvenile parolees, criminal careers of serious juvenile offenders, and mental health among juvenile correctional populations .

**JIM HESS** is an analyst with the Center for Evidence Based Corrections at the University of California, Irvine. He received his Ph.D. from the University of California Irvine School of Social Science. His dissertation focused on migration, economic development, and globalization, using diverse kinds of quantitative data along with ethnographic field research in two communities. This project showed the linkage between the dynamics of migration systems and phases of globalization, broadened the concept of sustainable development to include political economy.

At the CEBC he played a key role in developing the California Static Risk Assessment and provided statistical support in a study on GPS monitoring of high risk sex offenders. He is developing projects in applying Classification and Regression Tree analysis to risk analysis, and studying parole officer knowledge of recidivism factors. He has also participated in research projects in epidemiology, public health, and library services, and has provided consulting on advanced statistical analysis. He has methodological interests in social networks, and cognitive and ethnographic research.

**JULIA JIM** works for the Superior Court of California, County of Orange. Originally assigned to the Planning and Research Division at the Court, Julia has since moved to the Finance Division. However, Julia's role as the Court's grants manager allows her to remain involved in, and be aware of, grant-funded criminal justice research projects. An example of such projects at the Court includes the piloting and implementation of Dependency and Delinquency court performance measures. Julia has been involved with ACJRC since 2000, and she has served several terms on the ACJRA Board of Directors, including Vice President-South and Secretary/Treasurer. Prior to her employment at the Superior Court,

Julia worked for 7 years as the Director of Research and Planning at the Westminster Police Department. Julia received her bachelor's from the University of California, Berkeley, and went on to receive her master's from Claremont Graduate University. She is still working towards a doctorate degree. Julia lives with her husband, daughter, and their dog in Irvine.

### **MARK NEITHERCUTT** Biographical Statement

#### Education:

BA, 1961 – psychology, minors in English and sociology  
Baylor University, Waco, Texas

MCrim, 1964 – corrections  
UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

DCrim, 1968 – corrections, corrections research/counseling  
UC Berkeley, Berkeley CA

Assorted postgrad courses in contracting, contracts management, statistics, etc

#### Experience: (sample)

1963-64 – intern, Alameda County, CA Probation Department  
1964-69 – U.S, Probation & Parole Officer, San Francisco, CA  
1969-77 – associate project director thru consortium Center director, NCCD  
Research Center, Davis, CA  
1977-2004 – adjunct thru full professor, Department of Criminal Justice  
Administration, Cal State, Hayward  
2004 – present – Professor of Criminal Justice Administration emeritus

#### Interests:

Corrections (especially probation & parole), research, and anything having  
to do with effectiveness

#### ACJR(CA) portfolio:

Founding member (1972) with unbroken annual membership to date.

My primary contribution would be institutional memory (something in increasingly  
short supply in virtually all walks these days).

I would hope to bring a little curiosity and creativity.

**CARRIE PETRUCCI**, MSW, Ph.D. has been a member of ACJR since 1999. Since 2007, she has been a Senior Research Associate at EMT Associates, Inc., in Encino, California, specializing in criminal justice and social welfare programs. Her prior experience includes serving as a faculty member at California State University, and conducting statewide evaluation for the California Office of Criminal Justice Planning. She has 10 years' experience in evaluation with local, state, and federal agencies. Dr. Petrucci's areas of expertise include program development, collaborative/participatory evaluation, mixed methods, dosage and fidelity, and evaluation of substance abuse treatment programs for disadvantaged populations. She has conducted evaluations for

several SAMHSA CSAT/CMHS local grants. She is also part of a team evaluating 20 SAMHSA CSAT-funded drug courts. Her most recent publications include an evaluation of a domestic violence court in *Victims & Offenders*, and two articles in *Journal of Social Service Research*, one on multinomial logistic regression and the other on concept mapping. She has also published several chapters on therapeutic jurisprudence, most recently in David Springer and Al Roberts' *Juvenile Justice and Delinquency*. Prior to her academic and research career, Dr. Petrucci was a children's social worker in South Los Angeles and a program director in community corrections in San Francisco.

**JASON VAN COURT**, MPH, has been a Senior Policy Analyst with the California Research Bureau of the state library since 2009. Before that, he was a Research Scientist in the Injury Control Branch of the California Department of Public Health for twelve years. There he coordinated the branch's Violent Injury Surveillance Program (VISP) and California's Electronic Violent Death Reporting System (CalEVDRS). CalEVDRS collects detailed and timely information on homicides and suicides using death certificates, coroner records, and police reports. Jason is excited to bring a public health perspective to the Board of Directors of the Association for Criminal Justice Research (CA), as well as collaborating with criminal justice researchers and learning more about that perspective. He sees that there is a connection between all elements of society in creating human behavior and the need for a wider perspective than just one of these elements to help solve our societal problems.