



What's Next? Supporting Children, Youth, and Families in a Post-Abolition World

Thursday, April 13, 2023 | 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern time)

Baker Trial Courtroom | Center for Law and Justice | 123 Washington Street | Newark, NJ 07102

and

Zoom Webinar

The symposium is about how we can transform our family regulation system. The system has been found to be racist, dysfunctional, and harmful to children and families, especially families of color, so much so that many people have called for its abolition. The symposium is intended to focus on solutions. We will begin with a panel with people with lived experience who are now working to improve the system and then will have three panels focused on how we can break down the current system and what various policies and initiatives might help to transform the system.

Co-sponsored by Rutgers Child Advocacy Clinic; Center for Gender Justice and Law (CGJL); Women's Rights Law Reporter; Rutgers Law School; and Rutgers Institute for Professional Education.

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AGENDA

9:00 a.m. **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**

9:30 a.m. **FEATURED SPEAKER**

[Vivek S. Sankaran](#), Clinical Professor of Law, The University of Michigan Law School

10:15 a.m. **BREAK**

10:30 a.m. **THE IMPACT: VOICES OF YOUTH AND PARENTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

- Alexandra Travis, Parent Ally, Pre-Petition Project, Legal Services of New Jersey
- April Lee, Director of Client Voice, Community Legal Services, Family Advocacy Unit
- Jordan Ivey, Peer to Peer Navigator and Inaugural Member, DCF Youth Council
- Tawanna Brown, Coach and Inaugural Member, DCF Youth Council
- Yalonda Houston, Attorney, Community Legal Services, Family Advocacy Unit

11:45 a.m. **BREAK**

12:00 p.m. **TEARING DOWN THE OLD**

- Erin Miles Cloud, Co-Founder and Director Movement for Family Power
- Jane Spinak, Edward Ross Aranow Clinical Professor Emerita of Law, Columbia Law school
- Kelley Fong, Assistant Professor, Sociology, University of California – Irvine

1:00 p.m. **LUNCH**

2:00 p.m. **CREATING THE NEW: WHAT CAN WE DO NOW?**

- Kathleen Creamer, Managing Attorney, Family Advocacy Unit, Community Legal Services
- Shereen White, Director of Advocacy and Policy, Children's Rights
- Sylvia Thomas, Attorney, Pre-Petition Project, Legal Services of New Jersey

3:15 p.m. **BREAK**

3:30 p.m. **CREATING THE NEW: WHAT SHOULD WE PLAN FOR THE FUTURE?**

- Jey Rajaraman, Attorney and Management Consultant, Family Integrity & Justice Works, Public Knowledge
- Josh Gupta-Kagan, Clinical Professor of Law, Columbia Law School
- Julia Davis, Director of Youth Justice and Welfare, Children's Defense Fund- NY

4:45 p.m. **CLOSING REMARKS**

5:00 p.m. **CONCLUSION**

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