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Panelist Biographies
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**Presenter**
Eric Cadora is a Co-Founder and Director of the Justice Mapping Center which uses computer mapping and other graphical depictions of quantitative data to analyze and communicate social policy information. Mr. Cadora began his career in social and public policy at the Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services (CASES), the nation’s largest and longest running intermediate sanctions program. For fourteen years, he directed the work of CASES’ Research, and Policy, Court Communications, and Information Systems units. Afterwards, he served as Program Officer for The After Prison Initiative at the Open Society Institute Foundation.

In 1996, Mr. Cadora received an Edna McConnell Clarke justice grant to help the North Carolina Division of Adult Probation and Parole implement intermediate sanctions programs under the state’s new structured sentencing guidelines. Additionally, he is co-author of the book, Community Justice, with Dr. Todd Clear, which reviews the emergence of community policing in the 1980’s, community courts in the 1990’s, and the emergence of new community corrections in 2000.

**Moderator**
Errol Louis is a Political Anchor and Host of “Inside City Hall” on NY1, New York City’s only twenty-four-hour cable television channel which features breaking news stories from the worlds of local politics, governance and other city affairs. Prior to this position, Mr. Louis was a Daily News columnist, as well as a leading commentator for "The Morning Show," on the AM radio station of 1600 WWRL. He has been a CNN contributor since 2008, providing poignant commentary on political millstones in America.

Mr. Louis received the Award for Commentary from the New York Association of Black Journalists and was named the City’s best Newspaper Columnist and Radio Show Host by the Village Voice. He is a Harvard graduate with a bachelor’s degree in government, a master’s degree in political science from Yale and a Juris doctorate from Brooklyn Law School.

**Discussants**
Rosanne Haggerty is the President of Common Ground, which creates, and manages affordable, supportive housing and employment programs for homeless, disabled, elderly and
low-income citizens. Ms. Haggerty’s first project was the reconstruction of the formerly impressive Times Square Hotel. By restoring it into low-cost, publicly subsidized housing for the homeless, Common Ground helped reduce homelessness by 87 percent in the 20-block neighborhood. Prior to founding Common Ground in 1990, she was the coordinator of housing development at Brooklyn Catholic Charities.

In 2001, Ms. Haggerty was the recipient of the MacArthur Foundation’s $500,000 no-strings “genius” grant for her work on the problem of homelessness in the U.S. She also won the 1998 Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit Innovation. Her “genius” strategy is pure restorative development: renovating defunct old hotels into low-cost, publicly subsidized housing for the homeless.

Clinton Lacey is currently the Deputy Commissioner of Adult Operations of the New York City Department of Probation. In this role, he is responsible for the supervision of approximately 27,000 clients on probation to ensure a successful extraction from the criminal justice system. Prior to this position, Mr. Clinton was a project manager for the W. Haywood Burns Institute where he was involved in addressing racial disparities in local juvenile justice systems. Additionally, he served as the Associate Executive Director of Friends of Island Academy, and as the Director of the Youth Justice Program at Vera Institute of Justice.

Mr. Clinton has a B.A. in Latin American and Caribbean History from Herbert H. Lehman College, and is a graduate of the Institute for Not-for-Profit Management at Columbia University.

Veronica White is the Executive Director of the City of New York Center for Economic Opportunity (CEO). CEO designs and implements innovative evidence-based initiatives aimed at poverty reduction in New York City. Prior to her appointment to CEO, Ms. White was a consultant specializing in strategic business planning and management for non-profits, real estate development and environmental issues, and public-private partnerships. As well, she has served as Chief Operating Officer of the New York City Partnership, President and CEO of the New York City Housing Partnership, and as the Deputy Commissioner of Planning, Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs at the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development.

Ms. White received a Master of Arts in Law and Diplomacy from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and a Juris Doctorate from the Harvard Law School.