

## Purpose

1. This aide memoire provides you with information for your meeting with five international guests from the United States, Canada and Australia who have been invited to the Criminal Justice Summit as part of Hāpaitia te Oranga Tangata, Safe and Effective Justice. The meeting is on 20 August, 3:00pm – 3:30pm at your office.

## Background

2. Five international guests will attend the Criminal Justice Summit:

<b>Adam Mansky</b>	Director of the Center for Court Innovation	United States
<b>Alison MacPhail</b>	A consultant specialising in justice reform and access to justice issues	Canada
<b>Jon Gould</b>	Professor at the School of Public Affairs and College of Law at American University in Washington, D.C.	United States
<b>Elizabeth Grant</b>	Professor at the Aboriginal Environments Research Centre, The University of Queensland and University of Canberra	Australia
<b>Tara Boh Blair</b>	The Executive Officer for the Kentucky Court of Justice, Administrative Office of the Court, Department of Pretrial Services	United States

3. See *appendix 1* for further information about each of the guests.
4. The guests have been selected due to their criminal justice expertise, particularly in criminal justice reform.
5. The guests are undertaking the following roles at the Summit: Adam and Elizabeth are speaking at session 6: *Aspiration*. Alison and Jon are facilitating the breakout session 10: *Leading Change*, and Tara is facilitating the breakout session 10: *Keeping People Safe in Communities*.
6. We have also organised a number of sessions and site visits after the Summit so that the guests can share their knowledge and experiences with officials, and for officials to give them a better understanding of New Zealand's criminal justice system. For example, the guests are visiting Rimutaka Prison and the Wellington District Court (with a morning tea with local District Court Judges), as well as meeting the Sector High Impact Innovation Team (based at Corrections) and participating in a roundtable discussion with justice sector officials.

## **Your initial engagement with the guests**

7. Your meeting is an opportunity for the guests to introduce themselves to you.
8. While the guests have already been briefed about the reform programme, you may wish to share your ideas about reforming New Zealand's criminal justice system. You may also wish to ask the guests about their experiences with reform in their countries.
9. In particular, Adam Mansky and Alison MacPhail have specific expertise in justice reform:
  - Adam helped create and leads the Red Hook Community Justice Center cutting-edge criminal justice programmes involving early diversion, alternatives to pretrial detention, and alternatives to incarceration, throughout New York.
  - Alison has led criminal justice reform at the Canadian federal level and in British Columbia. She is now a consultant specialising in justice reform.

## Appendix 1

### Adam Mansky – Center for Court Innovation – USA



Adam Mansky is director of criminal justice for the Center for Court Innovation, a US-based non-profit dedicated to creating a more humane and effective justice system. He joined the Center to plan the path-breaking Red Hook Community Justice Center, and then served as Red Hook's first project director. Adam has helped create and leads the Center's cutting-edge criminal justice programmes involving early diversion, alternatives to pretrial detention, and alternatives to incarceration, throughout New York.

Before joining the Center for Court Innovation, Adam practiced corporate law and litigation in New York City, and received a B.A. from the University of Michigan and a J.D., *cum laude*, from New York University School of Law. Adam also serves as board chair of Transportation Alternatives, a New York non-profit and advocacy organization dedicated to improving and increasing pedestrian safety, urban bicycling, and public space.

### Alison MacPhail – Criminal Justice Reform – Canada

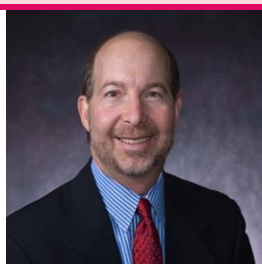


Alison MacPhail is a lawyer with over 35 years of experience in public policy, criminal justice and public safety. She has been responsible for criminal justice policy and legislation for both the federal and British Columbia (BC) governments in Canada, and has led major legislative and programme reforms.

She spent the last nine years of her public service career as the Deputy Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Minister for Children and Family Development BC governments, and as the lead for criminal justice reform.

She is now a consultant specialising in justice reform and access to justice issues, and consults widely on a variety of justice organisational, policy and legislation issues.

### Professor Jon Gould – American University – USA



Professor Jon Gould is an internationally known expert on justice policy, social change, and government reform. He is a professor in the School of Public Affairs and the Washington College of Law at American University in Washington, D.C.

Professor Gould has practiced law with the firm of Mayer Brown and Platt. In addition, he has worked for the International Human Rights Law Institute, served as a U.S. Supreme Court Fellow, and served as a Senior Policy Advisor in the U.S. Department of Justice during the Obama Administration. He is an award-winning author who has written on diverse subjects such as erroneous convictions, police behaviour, hate speech, sexual harassment, and international human rights.

He has a PhD in Political Science from the University of Chicago, and J.D. *cum laude* from Harvard Law School.

**Professor Elizabeth Grant – Aboriginal Environments Research Centre, The University of Queensland and University of Canberra - Australia**



Professor Elizabeth Grant is an architect, anthropologist, criminologist, and academic with a distinguished record in the field of Indigenous architecture, with specialist interests in the design of institutional environments and reform for Indigenous peoples.

She is a Churchill Fellow and holds an adjunct Associate Professorship at the University of Queensland, an Honorary Professorship at the University of Canberra and the position of the Chief Executive Officer of the Aboriginal Prisoners and Offender Support Services. She consults to communities, industry and government on Indigenous architectural projects. Her work has had a major impact on the way prisons and prison housing for indigenous prisoners are designed both in Australia and internationally.

She has published extensively on the topic of prison environments, while tackling issues confronting correctional agencies such as overcrowding, temperature control, conditions for women and children, human rights and other factors affecting the prison experience, and is the lead editor of *The Handbook of Contemporary Indigenous Architecture* (Springer 2018).

**Tara Boh Blair - Department of Pretrial Services - USA**



Tara Boh Blair is the Executive Officer for the Kentucky Court of Justice, Administrative Office of the Court, Department of Pretrial Services, Administrative Office of the Courts, and has worked as a criminal justice consultant for pretrial services for the last ten years.

She has authored the policies and procedures for her agency and developed the training module for new and existing staff as well as interdisciplinary training with the Department of Public Advocacy, State Prosecutors, and the Circuit and District Judicial Colleges. She also led the design and implementation of the pretrial case management system.

Tara has been a member of the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies since 1996 and a member of the National Institute of Corrections Pretrial Network Group.

She holds a BA in Sociology and a BS in Police Administration from Eastern Kentucky University.