

Pretrial Process Considerations for Crime Victims: February 6

On February 6, 2013, at 2 p.m. (eastern time), the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), in coordination with the Bureau of Justice Assistance, will present a Web Forum discussion with Cherise Fanno Burdeen and Jeffrey Dion, Esq., on pretrial process considerations for crime victims. Ms. Burdeen is the Chief Operating Officer for the Pretrial Justice Institute (PJI), a nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring informed pretrial decisionmaking for safe communities. Since joining PJI in 2006, she has developed innovative strategies to raise awareness of pretrial justice issues, worked with a broad constituency of criminal justice stakeholder groups, provided technical assistance and training on policy reforms, and engaged in communications and media efforts. Ms. Burdeen also is the Chief Operating Officer for the Institute for Justice Planning, a subsidiary of PJI that provides planning support to jurisdictions engaged in criminal justice system reform.

Mr. Dion is the Deputy Executive Director for the National Center for Victims of Crime (NCVC), a nonprofit advocacy organization for victims of all types of crime. In this role, Mr. Dion assists with operational management, partnerships, policy and communication strategies, and the development of all financial resources. Previously, as NCVC's Acting Executive Director, Mr. Dion oversaw five program areas—victim services, public policy, public education, training and technical assistance, and civil justice—and served as the point of contact for NCVC's partner agencies within the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs.

Visit the OVC Web Forum now at <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ovcproviderforum> to submit questions for Ms. Burdeen and Mr. Dion and return on February 6 at 2 p.m. (eastern time) for the live discussion. Go to <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ovcproviderforum/asp/participate.asp> for instructions on how to participate.

OVC's Web Forum allows participants to tap into a national network of people with various backgrounds who all face similar challenges and experiences. It is the perfect place for crime victim service providers and allied professionals to gain peer insight and support related to best practices in victim services. **Please be reminded that the Web Forum is a public domain and personal or case information should not be shared.**

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