

Speaker Biographies

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Kathy Barbini



Kathy Barbini, founder of Big Voice Pictures, and producer/director, is an award-winning independent documentary and television producer. Prior to founding Big Voice Pictures, she worked as a producer for The Discovery Channel's multi-award winning educational documentary series *Assignment Discovery*. She was nominated for an ACE-Award for MTV Networks for a year-end special featuring socially conscious entertainers and music artists making an impact in the world. Ms. Barbini also produced media for political media consultants, and was an associate producer on a prime-time Presidential election-eve special broadcast on ABC, NBC and CBS. Additionally, as Project Director for HBO's national screening tour of the Emmy Award-winning documentary *Dear America: Letters Home From Vietnam*, she organized national fundraising screenings to benefit the Vietnam Veterans of America. Ms. Barbini started her early career working on leading magazine programs for ABC and NBC News.

Her independent documentaries are distributed internationally and were funded by leading foundations including The Eastman Kodak Foundation, The Global Ministries Foundation, and the Pioneer Fund. She is producer/director of Big Voice Pictures' recent film, *Boys and Men Healing* produced in association with The International Documentary Association. The film was broadcast on PBS stations nationwide, and is currently being utilized for education, training and prevention by thousands of organizations internationally in the United States, Canada, England, Cambodia, Israel, Spain, Argentina, and other countries. The film is being screened internationally in hundreds of communities and universities, along with panel discussions with leaders in the field. Ms. Barbini recently produced *Pursuit of Truth*, an educational documentary for Vertigo Charitable Foundation, which has received recognition and won awards in numerous film festivals.

Ms. Barbini's first independent documentary, *The Healing Years*, became an acclaimed film in the field of women's issues and child abuse prevention, and has been utilized for training and education in thousands of organizations internationally. The film has been broadcast on PBS

stations nationwide, screened in international film festivals and leading conferences and endorsed by leaders in the field. Lifetime Television and The Times Square Project awarded her with recognition for helping end violence against women. Her films illustrate her commitment to bringing hope to challenging issues.

Eric Barreras



Eric Barreras is currently serving as the lead Sexual Assault Response Coordinator for the 11th Coast Guard District, Base Alameda, CA, with the responsibility of managing the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) program for all Coast Guard personnel in Arizona, Nevada, Utah, and California. He is the recipient of the DoD Exceptional SARC Award for 2018. In addition, he recently created Difference Makers (10 Strong), which is an LLC that was created to provide sexual harassment and assault prevention training (bystander intervention and culture change) to communities, organizations and corporations.

Mr. Barreras entered the NM Army National Guard in the mid-90s, and subsequently enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1998. In 2001, he participated in the investigative internship program with the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command (USACIDC) and was subsequently selected to become a CID Special Agent. During his career with CID, Mr. Barreras conducted and/or supervised a wide variety of sexual assault investigations in multiple jurisdictions across the nation. In 2013, following retirement from military service he briefly served as a subject matter expert for sexual assault, domestic violence, and child abuse investigations, while working for the Monterey County Public Defender's Office. In 2014, Mr. Barreras transitioned back into USACIDC as a civilian Supervisory Special Agent, where he was responsible for managing the Special Victims Unit at Fort Sill, OK. During that span, Mr. Barreras also served as 1 of 24 civilian sexual assault/domestic violence investigative subject matter experts for USACIDC. In 2015, he left criminal investigations for a career in victim advocacy. Mr. Barreras accepted a position with the U.S. Air Force as a SAPR Victim Advocate at the Presidio of Monterey, CA, where his team managed to earn the 2015 DoD Innovation Award, and 2017 Air Education and Training Command SAPR Team Award. In addition, he was hand selected by the Headquarters Air Force SAPR Operations Staff to assist with the restructuring of the Air Force's SAPR training curriculum. Mr. Barreras has an undergraduate degree in Sociology. He also served as a volunteer victim advocate/sexual assault counselor for the Monterey County Rape Crisis Center, and proudly served as a key member on their Board of Directors. He is currently serving as an Advisory Board Member for End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI). Mr. Barreras strongly believes in strong community partnerships between civilian and military

advocacy organizations and has made improving collaborative efforts among these organizations one of his highest priorities.

Anton Bell



Anton A. Bell is a career prosecutor who has devoted his legal career to public safety throughout the Hampton Roads area. As a native and lifelong resident of Hampton Roads, Bell was reared by a single mother in the urban settings of Norfolk. Overcoming many challenges, Bell went on to graduate from Norfolk Catholic High School (now Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School). Following high school, Bell attended Norfolk State University and North Carolina Central University School of Law, where he graduated with Honors.

Once admitted to the Virginia State Bar, Bell soon began his public service as a prosecutor, starting in the City of Portsmouth. This service would later extend to the City of Hampton, where Bell has served in various positions in the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office for more than a decade.

Bell began his service in Hampton in 2000, specializing in the prosecution of child molestation cases. Bell soon broadened his sphere of prosecutions to all violent crimes, in particular – murders. During this time, Bell was cross-designated as a Special Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia. As a Special Assistant, Bell was assigned to the Peninsula Drug Task Force, where he tenaciously combated drug trafficking in both federal and state courts.

In 2012, Anton Bell was elected as Commonwealth's Attorney for the City of Hampton. During his short tenure, Bell has aggressively embraced the role as the Chief Law Enforcement Officer through both tough prosecution and prevention mechanisms. Armed with such tools as the Multi-jurisdictional Grand Jury, Bell created a new five (7) attorneys Gang/Drug Prosecutorial Team within the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office to combat the recent spike in violent crimes. Moreover, Bell secured a new prosecutor under a grant through the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to combat violent crimes committed primarily against women.

In his preventative role, Bell has served as a mentor to youths throughout Hampton Roads, speaking to "at risk" youth in Hampton Public Schools (all high school and most middle schools), churches and civic organizations. Through such initiatives as the Anti-Gang and Anti-Bullying collaborations, Bell has encouraged youth citywide to end gun violence and eliminate bullying

in our schools. Above all, Bell has stressed to our youth the need to make positive choices in their lives, inspiring them to dream big and remain focused on their goals.

Anton Bell is married to the former Dr. Dawn Yvette Bishop. They have one son, Anton Bell, Jr. Bell is also an ordained and licensed minister at Calvary Revival Church, where he and his wife are active in youth ministries.

Genevieve Brackins, Ph.D.



Genevieve Brackins serves as the University of Virginia's Outreach Coordinator for the Men's Leadership Project and the Gender Violence & Social Change Program at the Maxine Platzer Lynn Women's Center. She comes to UVA from Florida State University where she was involved with Men Advocating Responsible Conduct and taught courses across the Colleges of Arts & Sciences and Social Sciences & Public Policy such as "Gender, Justice, & the Environment," and "Women, Violence, & Culture." This semester Genevieve is co-teaching "Fostering Leadership in Teenage Boys" in the Curry School of Education at UVA.

Genevieve has been passionate about gender justice since kindergarten. Fast-forward and in 2010 Genevieve's work caught the eye of the National Organization for Men Against Sexism. In 2011 NOMAS co-sponsored Genevieve's conference *Breaking Out of the Box: Re-defining Masculinity* which had participants from across the world. Genevieve's gender justice work has been presented at Universities in Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Iceland, and Tunisia as well as a variety of states across the U.S.

Genevieve holds a Ph.D. in the Interdisciplinary Humanities with a focus in Gender and Social Justice from Florida State University. Her M.A., also from Florida State University, is focused in Cultural Studies and Postcolonial Theory. Her B.A. is a double major in Women's Studies and Music from SUNY Oswego. As an undergraduate, Genevieve spent time studying Women's Studies at La Trobe University in Melbourne, Australia.

Jack Brandt

Jack Brandt is the Disability Policy Specialist at the Partnership for People with Disabilities at Virginia Commonwealth University, a position he has held since 2010. At the Partnership, Mr. Brandt works on various projects related to disability leadership. Mr. Brandt was a Disability Rights Advocate at the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy from 2008 to 2010, and a Disability Policy Consultant for the State of Virginia from 2006 to 2008. He was also a Virginia Governor's Fellow at the Office of Community Integration for People with Disabilities in 2006.

Mr. Brandt served on the Virginia Community Integration Advisory Commission and the Virginia Statewide Independent Living Council. He received the Colorado Award from the Virginia Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services in 2013, the Participatory Action Research Award from The Arc of the U.S. in 2012, and the Jackie Crews Award for Excellence in Leadership from the Virginia Board for People with Disabilities in 2006. Mr. Brandt was appointed as a member of the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities in 2010 and was later appointed Chairman in 2016. In 2016, he was elected as Co-Chair of the Association of University Centers on Disabilities' (AUCD) Council on Leadership and Advocacy, a position in which he still serves. He serves on multiple workgroups, including the Inclusive Health Workgroup through a collaboration between AUCD and Special Olympics International. Mr. Brandt received a B.A. from James Madison University and an M.S. from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Patrick Dati

Patrick is an advocate and speaker for several organizations devoted to promoting LGBTQ rights and to preventing childhood abuse and bullying. These organizations include Center on Halsted (Chicago's community center dedicated to advancing the health and well-being of the LGBTQ community); Teach Antibullying, Inc.; Dreamcatchers for Abused Children; The National Association of Adult Survivors of Child Abuse; and RAINN (Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network). Patrick graduated from Columbia College in Chicago with a B.A. in Broadcast Communications. His career spans two decades as a marketing professional in Chicago. He is the proud father of a loving daughter who recently graduated from the University of Illinois.

Molly Dellinger-Wray



Molly Dellinger-Wray, MS Ed. PBSF is part of the Partnership for People with Disabilities, a university center for excellence at VCU. In the last 10 years, she has coordinated and directed three projects that assist children and adults with disabilities with issues surrounding violence, abuse, sexual assault and neglect. She is an endorsed PBS Facilitator and a certified trainer in Person Centered Thinking and Stewards of Children. Molly has been supporting people with disabilities and their families for more than 30 years. With experience as a special educator and the parent of a child who received special education services, she understands the challenges of collaborating from both the view of a family member and professional.

Monica DiGiandomenico



Monica DiGiandomenico is a Program Associate II with the National PREA Resource Center (PRC). She contributes to several areas of the PRC's work, including Audit Quality and Integrity, Field Training Program, and Training and Technical Assistance Program. Prior to joining the PRC, Monica was the PREA Coordinator for the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice. She was responsible for leading the department's efforts toward PREA implementation and compliance. Previously, she was a contracted Investigator/Outreach Specialist for the Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, working to protect the civil rights of people and proactively reform models, practices, and policies for constitutional policing nationwide. In addition, Monica worked to protect the rights of people who are in prisons, jails, and the juvenile justice system run by state and local governments. This work lit a fire and passion to support strategic plans to collaboratively work with communities, judges, court administrators, law enforcement, corrections, legal professionals, inmates, and residents, to develop best practices, legal trainings, and tools to further facilitate local and national partnerships for criminal justice reform.

Monica has had the opportunity to work for both sides of the judicial system as a law enforcement officer and defense criminal investigator. She has nine years of law enforcement and investigative experience.

Originally from Pennsylvania, she graduated cum laude from the University of Dayton (Ohio) in 2009 with a dual degree in Criminal Justice Studies and Sociology. She obtained her Master's in Forensic Science with a concentration in Crime Scene Investigations from George Washington University (DC) in 2012. She earned her Department of Justice PREA Auditor certification for adult and juvenile facilities in May 2018. Monica's passion for social justice continues with her efforts to positively impact criminal justice reform through cultural change.

Rose Durbin

Rose Durbin has been employed with the Virginia Department of Corrections since June 2012. She began as the Central Region PREA/ADA Analyst and was promoted in June 2015, to the Statewide PREA Coordinator and ADA Supervisor. Prior to her employment with the Virginia Department of Corrections, Mrs. Durbin was an Investigations Supervisor for the Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) where she oversaw regulatory and criminal investigations for the boards housed under DPOR. Mrs. Durbin is a

Certified General Instructor and has a Master of Science and a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice, from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia.

Anthony Edwards



Anthony Edwards
Actor, Director, 1in6 Board Member

Anthony Edwards is probably best known as Dr. Mark Greene on the series “ER”. Edwards has received four Emmy nominations for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series. Edwards has won three Screen Actor’s Guild Awards (Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Drama Series in 1996 and Best Ensemble Cast in 1998 and 1999.) He won the Golden Globe Award in 1998. In the theater Edwards can currently be seen on Broadway in the revival of “Children of a lesser God”. Previously, he appeared in Classic Stage Company’s *Month in the Country*. WPA Shem Bitterman’s *Frozen*, Williamstown Theater festival *Harvey* and Joyce Carol Oates’s *Black*

Edwards has starred in more than 20 features, including his memorable turn as “Goose” in the blockbuster feature *Top Gun*. Edwards’ recent films include *Consumed*, *Experimenter*, *Big Sur*, *Motherhood* with Uma Thurman, *Flipped* directed by Rob Reiner, and *Zodiac* directed by David Fincher. Other television credits include “Law and Order True Crimes: the Menendez Murders”, “Zero Hour”, “Girls”, “Blue Bloods”, “Billions”, “Northern Exposure”. He also starred in the series, “It Takes Two”, opposite Richard Crenna, Patty Duke, and Helen Hunt as well as the telefilms *In Cold Blood*, *El Diablo*, *Hometown Boy Makes Good*, *Going for the Gold: The Bill Johnson Story*, *High School USA* and *The Killing of Randy Webster*.

Anthony assists in raising awareness about the issue as well as 1in6’s initiatives and services.

Sharon Ellis Davis, M.Div., Ph.D.



Sharon Ellis Davis is an ordained Pastor and Pastor Emeritus and Founder of God Can Ministries, UCC, Chicago, IL. Currently, Dr. Sharon Ellis Davis services as Affiliate Professor at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago teaching courses such as Sexual and Domestic Violence; Pastoral Care in Times of Crisis and Pastoral Care in African American Communities. Other courses she has taught include Christian Ethics, Theological Foundations, and Mass Incarceration and the Criminal Justice System. Dr. Ellis Davis is a trainer with the Faith Trust Institute, Seattle, WA, for faith institutions in the field of domestic violence and clergy healthy boundaries. She is a retired Police Officer of 31 years with the Chicago Police Department where she services as patrol officer, criminalist in the crime laboratory, and upon her retirement she was serving as the Department's first African American woman Chaplain ministering to Police Officers and their families especially in times of crisis or when police officers have been injured or killed in the line of duty. Sharon has earned her Master of Divinity Degree and Ph. D. degree in Theology and Ethics from Chicago Theological Seminary. She earned her Doctor of Ministry Degree in pastoral care from McCormick Theological Seminary. Dr. Ellis Davis is a published author. Her recent book is titled, "Battered African American Women: A Study of Gender Entrapment." Sharon is currently residing in North Carolina. She is married to the Rev. Dr. Edward Smith Davis who services as Conference Minister of the United Church of Christ serving the 200 plus churches located in North Carolina and Eastern Virginia. They share a blended family of 6 children (one deceased) and 14 grandchildren.

Aapta Garg

Aapta Garg is a Program Officer with Promundo. She focuses primarily on Promundo's US programs. She previously worked at Vital Voices Global Partnership as Program Coordinator for Latin America and the Caribbean, coordinating the implementation of trainings, programs, and emergency assistance grants related to gender-based violence and human trafficking. Prior to her time at Vital Voices, she worked for four years as a Community Liaison and Legal Assistant at MFY Legal Services where she oversaw projects related to community development and advocacy on behalf of low-income New Yorkers. Aapta received her Master's Degree in International Development with a focus on Gender and Development from American University's School of International Service. She also has a BA in Political Science and Hispanic Studies from Vassar College.

Tara Graham, MPH

Tara Graham, MPH is a Senior Program Director in JDI's Washington, D.C. office. She provides training and technical assistance to corrections agencies on preventing and responding to sexual abuse in detention. She has been working on the development and implementation of the Prison Rape Elimination Act standards for more than 10 years, including at the National PREA Resource Center. Her research experience includes interviewing homeless and runaway youth and incarcerated women about issues, including drug use, sexual behaviors, and experience with physical and sexual violence. Previously Tara served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Tanzania working on HIV/AIDS prevention with an emphasis on women and youth.

Sherry Hamby, Ph.D.

Sherry Hamby, Ph.D. is Director of the Life Paths Appalachian Research Center, Research Professor of Psychology at the University of the South, and founding editor of the APA journal *Psychology of Violence*. A licensed clinical psychologist, Dr. Hamby has worked for more than 20 years on the problem of violence, including front-line crisis intervention and treatment, involvement in grassroots organizations, and research leading to the publication of more than 150 articles and books. She is best known for her work on poly-victimization and developing measures of violence. Her current work focuses on resilience, especially the under-appreciated strengths of rural Appalachians, where she has multi-generational roots, and other disadvantaged communities. She conducted the largest psychological study ever completed in Appalachia and the first reservation-based study of domestic violence. Her research has been funded by the U.S. Department of Justice, the Digital Trust Foundation, and numerous other agencies. She has served on numerous advisory boards, including the Board of Scientific Counselors at the CDC's National Center for Injury Control & Prevention. Her awards include the 2017 Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Science of Trauma Psychology from the Trauma Psychology Division of the American Psychological Association. Dr. Hamby has appeared in the *New York Times*, CBS News, Washington Post, Huffington Post, USA Today, *Psychology Today*, and hundreds of other media outlets. Her most recent book is *Battered Women's Protective Strategies: Stronger Than You Know* (Oxford University Press, 2014).

Claire N. Kaplan, Ph.D.



Claire Kaplan, Ph.D., is Program Director of Gender Violence and Social Change (GVSC) and the Men's Leadership Project (MLP) at the University of Virginia's Maxine Platzer Lynn Women's Center. She got her start in this work when she trained as a hotline volunteer in 1981 for the Los Angeles-based organization now known as Peace Over Violence, later serving as Director of Training and Outreach, and was in 1991 was hired by UVA to be its first-ever employee to work solely on sexual assault issues. In her position, she serves as a confidential advocate for survivors on grounds, partnering with the Center's trauma counselors to ensure that clients receive the spectrum of services and advocacy that they need. In 2007 she founded and currently directs the Men's Leadership Project, a mentoring program that pairs undergraduate men with middle school boys in a structured setting to promote healthy, non-violent, gender-aware masculinities in both the mentees and mentors. With her team of undergraduate interns, she promotes awareness and intervention on the UVA campus through programs and workshops, including the Traveling Postcards Project and other art therapy projects, and training faculty, staff, and students on the impact of sexual and intimate partner violence on survivors (the neurobiology of trauma), and how to best support students and colleagues who have been victimized.

James Landrith



In 2008, after nearly 20 years of silence James Landrith decided to open up and speak out about his experience as a rape survivor. He was drugged, raped and then blackmailed into silence by a female friend of a friend while on active duty in the United States Marine Corps. As Landrith has been involved in civil liberties work for years, it was a natural progression to add sexual violence work to his agenda. He had already acquired a thick skin from years of publishing *The Multiracial Activist* and *The Abolitionist Examiner* magazines online as well as [participating in multiple civil liberties coalitions](#) and efforts to include a [U.S. Supreme Court case](#). Since then, Landrith has blogged about his own experience and related topics frequently on multiple websites, in addition for writing for online publications. He has been interviewed or quoted online, via podcast and for print publication to include CNN, The Atlantic, Role Reboot, Circa

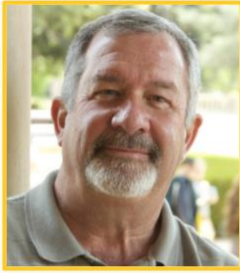
News, To The Contrary with Bonnie Erbe on PBS, and The Huffington Post's HuffPost Live webcast on a few occasions. As a public speaker, Landrith has visited college campuses, youth groups and churches to discuss rape myths, survivor needs and participate in panel discussions on sexual and domestic violence. His story has been adapted for use by the Empowerment Theatre on stage. In addition, Landrith was interviewed for a video segment that is shown during Precious Porter's powerful one-woman performance of "No More Drama: Love Should Not Hurt", which was recently performed/screened for a group of over 3,000 attendees in Atlanta, Georgia and is shown annually at Howard University in Washington, D.C. In 2012, author Susan Mac Nichol used Landrith's survivor experience as source material for the rape of her male protagonist in the novel "[Cassandra by Starlight](#)." In addition, the United States Marine Corps has used his own story for their bystander intervention training program. Online, Landrith is a moderator for the Facebook group associated with the healing handbook [Resurrection After Rape](#). For over 2 years, he served as a Section Moderator at [Pandora's Aquarium](#), one of the largest online mixed gender rape survivor communities, with members on several continents. He has previously served on the Survivors Caucus of the [Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance](#) as well as on a state-wide policy working group examining the impact of pending legislation on the lives of Virginia's survivors. He worked professionally in victim services for several years and serves as Vice President of [Men Recovering from Military Sexual Trauma](#).

Sean Lare, LCSW-C



Sean Lare is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker who is passionate about serving transgender and gender diverse communities. In addition to providing psychotherapy for individuals in transgender communities, Mr. Lare also works as an educator and advocate in Baltimore, Washington, DC and surrounding areas to help increase awareness about the unique needs of transgender, non-binary and gender diverse individuals. His educational work has included providing introductory and specialized trainings on: engaging and retaining transgender talent in the workplace, supporting transgender and non-binary students in K-12 and college/university settings, and guidance for providing affirming services for transgender clients in clinical, behavioral health and medical settings

Steve LePore



Steve LePore

Founder, Executive Director, 1in6

Steve brings over 30 years of experience in nonprofit management and consulting to 1in6, which he founded in January 2007. He originally worked in the private sector as Director of Human Resources for Six Flags Corporation and a Hollywood-based entertainment group. In 1988, Steve co-founded My Friend's Place, a resource center for homeless and runaway youth in Hollywood, California and became its full-time Executive Director in 1990. In June 1999, he left My Friend's Place to found the Santa Clarita Valley Youth Project, a community-based outreach program preventing high-risk behavior among students in his own neighborhood. Steve is a Durfee Foundation Stanton Fellow (having researched effective strategies to address difficult social issues and create change through program and policy development) and a NO MORE campaign board member, and previously served on the board of CALCASA (the California Coalition Against Sexual Assault).

Mike Lew



Mike Lew, M.Ed., a psychotherapist and group therapy leader in Western Massachusetts, is director of The Next Step Counseling and Training Centre. As a cultural anthropologist specializing in the field of Culture and Personality (Psychological Anthropology), he worked with the late Margaret Mead and Colin Turnbull. After further training in Counseling Psychology, he became a leading expert on recovery from sexual child abuse, particularly issues of male survivors.

Mike Lew has worked with thousands of men and women in their healing from the effects of sexual child abuse, rape, physical violence, emotional abuse and neglect. The development of

strategies for recovery from incest and other abuse, particularly for men, has been a major focus of his work as a counselor and group leader.

He conducts public lectures, workshops for survivors, and trainings and consultations for mental health, medical, human service, clergy, law enforcement, and other professionals throughout the United States and Canada and in Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Asia, and Africa.

Mike has taught at The City College of New York, Quinnipiac University, The College of New Rochelle and University of California at Santa Cruz. His publications include *Victims No Longer: The Classic Guide for Men Recovering from Sexual Child Abuse* (Second Edition, Revised and Updated, Quill, 2004). The first book written specifically for men recovering from boyhood sexual abuse, *Victims No Longer* continues to earn praise for both its clinical expertise and compassionate tone, educating survivors and professionals about the recovery process, speaking to the pain, needs, fears, and hopes of the adult male survivor.

Leaping upon the Mountains: Men Declaring Victory over Sexual Child Abuse (2000, North Atlantic Books and Small Wonder Books), continues to explore and proclaim the reality of recovery. In this second work, Mike Lew presents the triumphs of hundreds of male survivors from over forty countries, providing hope and resources for survivors in each stage of their healing. Mike Lew has consulted to the United Nations, National Institute of Mental Health, National Resource Center on Child Sexual Abuse, Childhelp USA/National Child Abuse Hotline, People Against Sexual Abuse and many other organizations in the United States and abroad. He has been on the editorial board of the *Journal of Child Sexual Abuse* and the review board of the *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*.

Mike has appeared on The Oprah Winfrey Show, Sally Jessy Raphael, People Are Talking and many other television and radio programs.

David Lisak, Ph.D.



Dr. David Lisak is a researcher and forensic consultant who for 30+ years has studied the causes and consequences of interpersonal violence. His work has focused on the long term effects of sexual abuse in men, the relationship between child abuse and violence, and the motives and characteristics of rapists.

Dr. Lisak received his Ph.D. from Duke University and for 23 years served on the faculty of the University of Massachusetts Boston, where he taught and conducted and supervised research. His research has been published in leading scientific journals, and he was the founding editor of the journal, *Psychology of Men and Masculinity*.

Dr. Lisak now serves as a consultant to judicial, prosecutor and law enforcement education programs across the country. He has conducted workshops in all fifty states. He consults widely with universities, the four services of the U.S. Military, the Department of Defense, and other institutions regarding sexual assault prevention and policies, and frequently serves as an expert witness in homicide and sexual assault cases.

Dr. Lisak is a founding member of 1in6, a non-profit agency that serves men who were sexually abused as children.

Himself a survivor of childhood sexual abuse, Dr. Lisak founded the Bristlecone Project (www.bristleconeproject.org) and directed the documentary, *The Bristlecone Project: Men Overcoming Sexual Abuse*.

LaWanda Long

LaWanda Long is the PREA Coordinator for the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice. She has 20 years of correctional experience, most recently serving as the Eastern Region PREA/ADA analyst with the Virginia Department of Corrections since 2012. While at the Virginia DOC, she was responsible for providing leadership in maintaining supportive facility cultures/environments by enforcing policies for the prevention, detection and reduction of prison rape. She supported the objectives of the agency's PREA and ADA program, through policy modification, delivery of training and audit preparation.

Before 2012, she held various administrative positions within DOC and CCA (a private prison in Virginia). She received her bachelor's degree from Saint Paul College and her master's from Central Michigan University. She is a Department of Criminal Justice Services Certified General Instructor, U.S. Department of Justice Certified PREA Auditor, and an American Correction Association Auditor.

Karmen Matusek

Karmen Matusek currently serves as a Prevention Educator with the Sexual Assault Resource Agency (SARA) in Charlottesville, Virginia. In this position, she interfaces with local educational and non-profit leaders and administrators to advance SARA's goals in the areas of prevention, identification and intervention of interpersonal violence and development of positive relationship behaviors primarily focused towards student groups ranging from middle school through graduate studies-aged students. She currently leads the Green Dot bystander intervention training program in Louisa County, Virginia; the first program of its kind to be

integrated into student curriculum in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Additionally, she developed and launched a weekly discussion-based group focused on healthy relationship and development habits amongst incarcerated fathers and the Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail, which she currently facilitates along with additional SARA outreach support. Prior to this position, Karmen served as the Graduate Assistant in the Old Dominion University Women's Center, while she completed her Master of Arts Degree in International Studies with a Certificate in Women's Studies.

Monika Mitra, Ph.D.



Dr. Monika Mitra is Interim Director and Associate Professor at the Lurie Institute for Disability Policy at Brandeis University. She is also Adjunct Associate Professor at the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, University of Massachusetts Medical School. For almost two decades, Dr. Mitra has been conducting research on the healthcare experiences and health outcomes of people with disabilities. Her research focuses on the sexual and reproductive health of women with disabilities, violence victimization against people with disabilities, and disability-related disparities in health and healthcare access. Her research has been supported by a range of federal and state funding sources, including the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Currently, Dr. Mitra is principal investigator on three National Institutes of Health grants on the health needs and barriers to perinatal care among women with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and among Deaf and hard of hearing women. She is also co-PI on a recently established national research center for parents with disabilities funded by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research with the purpose of addressing knowledge gaps regarding the needs of parents with disabilities. Dr. Mitra is a member of the *Disability and Health Journal* editorial board. She received her PhD and MA from Boston University, and her MS from Calcutta University, Kolkata, India.

Mandy Morrill, Ph.D.

Dr. Mandy Morrill joined the faculty at Valparaiso University in 2010, and serves as an associate professor of Psychology in the graduate program for Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Dr. Morrill's primary research interest involves examining long-term consequences of abusive sibling relationships. Within this sphere of research, Dr. Morrill also studies gender issues

related to abuse and has published research regarding male victimization and female perpetration. Additionally, she has engaged in research related to the impact of sibling abuse on interpersonal competencies and self-esteem. Dr. Morrill has presented her research at national conferences and has facilitated a number of workshops for clinicians regarding working with sibling abuse. She serves as the clinical training director for the graduate program at Valparaiso University in addition to her duties as assistant professor. Dr. Morrill has been interviewed regarding her research on abuse in multiple countries and has been a featured guest on Radio Health Journal. Dr. Morrill brings her clinical experience to her teaching, research and supervision as she has practiced in domestic violence shelters, served as a court advocate and rape crisis counselor, and has counseled, as well as advocated, for both men and women recovering from abuse and trauma.

Ché Nembhard

Ché Nembhard is a Program Assistant at Promundo-US. He supports the team in trainings on Promundo's methodologies to engage young men and women in gender equality in the United States. He works on project implementation, generating new tools centered on the promotion of healthy masculinities, and proposal development. Previously, Ché worked at the Executives' Alliance for Boys & Men of Color, a network of non-profit institutions, where he focused on the development of collective action strategies for foundation executives to contribute to the success and access to equal opportunities for boys and young men of Black, Native, Latino, and API descent. He also worked with the Department of State during the Obama administration, supporting research on violence and conflict resolution domestically and in Central America. Ché received his BA in International Relations from Howard University in Washington, DC.

Brian K. Payne, Ph.D.

Brian K. Payne is the vice provost for academic affairs at Old Dominion University, where he is tenured in the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice. He is a former editor of the American Journal of Criminal Justice and past president of the Southern Criminal Justice Association and the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Payne is the author or co-author of more than 170 journal articles and seven books including *White-Collar Crime: The Essentials* (Sage), *Family Violence and Criminal Justice* (Elsevier, with Randy Gainey), and *Crime and Elder Abuse: An Integrated Perspective* (Charles C Thomas), and *Introduction to Criminal Justice: A Balanced Approach* (Sage, with Will Oliver and Nancy Marion). He has presented widely on topics related to elder abuse and has developed criminal justice and social service training courses on elder abuse, domestic violence, and sex offender supervision

Tal Peretz, Ph.D.

Dr. Tal Peretz has engaged in and studied men's anti-sexist and anti-violence activism for over a decade, and been involved in social justice education for longer. His Ph.D. is in Sociology and Gender Studies, from the University of Southern California. He is the author of "Some Men:

Male Allies and the Movement to End Violence Against Women” (Oxford University Press, www.somemen.org) co-written with Michael Messner and Max Greenberg.

His latest research looks at how intersecting race, class, religious and sexual identities shape the efforts of two grassroots men’s gender justice groups. His scholarship on men, masculinities, and feminism has been published in academic journals, edited volumes, and popular and activist/professional newsletters. Currently a professor of Sociology and Women’s Studies at Auburn University, he teaches classes that focus on intersectional inequality, sex/gender, sexuality, race/ethnicity, and social change. He also contributes to the blog women in working for gender justice. His scholarly work is mirrored in his personal life; when not teaching about social justice, he teaches yoga in hopes of helping create peace and balance within individuals.

Heath Phillips

Heath Phillips joined the Navy when he was 17 years old. He grew up in a military style family; his father was in the Army and had Uncles that served in Vietnam. Heath's stepfather was also in the Army. Being in the Military was all he ever wanted; he wanted to serve his country. At the time in 1988 the only branch that would him at his age with a GED was the Navy. On May 3 1988, exactly one week after his 17th birthday Heath was in boot camp and stationed in Orlando, Florida. From the start it was everything he was told about from his family. He was treated excellent; he even goes on to say "I was kinda babied by the platoon C144" most likely because of his age. Heath was treated like family; everyone was willing to look out for the "kid" (his nickname). Upon graduation Heath was then stationed in Meridian, Miss. He went to school to become a Ships Serviceman. Once again, he was treated like a family member. Upon leaving Meridian, Miss. Heath went home to visit his Mom, Dad and stepfamily where everyone was so proud.

Heath reported to the USS Butte AE 27 on Labor Day weekend per his orders. Upon arriving at the ship, he was greeted to a dirty looking ship which was nothing like he imagined. A group of shipmates were leaving the ship and invited Heath to come hang out with them for the weekend. Heath went with them to a hotel in New York City. Heath had two drinks and really wasn’t much of a drinker and fell asleep. He woke up with his clothes pulled down and guys doing "stuff" to him such as guys masturbating on my face; instantly he was terrified. Crying, he locked himself in the bathroom. His shipmates told him they were only kidding around, it was an initiation and they all went through it. Heath's report of the assault only brought more assaults. After returning to the Butte, he told a senior leader what had happened, and was told he was lying. The assaults just escalated from there; it turned into game to the perpetrators. Heath was terrorized by constant harassment to include pulling him out of bed and rubbing their genitals in his face; but he was always called a liar.

Heath Phillips is originally from Protect Our Defenders, an organization that honors, supports and gives a voice to the brave women and men in uniform who have been raped or sexually assaulted by fellow service members. Heath Phillips has chosen to be a speaker in order to relay his story, the effects it has had on him, the obstacles he had/has to overcome, and most

importantly educate our military with regards to the damage sexual assault and hazing does to anyone (to include males).

www.protectourdefenders.com/survivor-stories-heath/

<https://www.army.mil/e2/c/downloads/437154.pdf>

Steven L. Procopio, ACSW, LICSW

Steven Procopio is a trainer and consultant for males with complex trauma. His expertise is in the area of childhood sexual abuse, sexual assault and commercial sexual exploitation. Steven brings extensive experience in public health, with a focus on HIV/AIDS, homelessness and youth services.

Steven has implemented innovative initiatives supported by demonstration projects on HIV from the Department of Education, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and community-based AIDS service organizations. He has worked with executive directors of AIDS service organizations on the design, implementation and evaluation of a case management system for DPH-funded programs in Massachusetts, developing coordinated services based on a continuum of care.

Steven's experiences in youth services included work as an adolescent therapist and director of a youth shelter for runaway/homeless youth.

His present professional work is with boys, adolescent males and men with a complex trauma, with a focus on childhood sexual abuse and commercial sexual exploitation.

He founded the first free standing program to serve commercially sexually exploited boys and adolescent males in the United States.

He is a trainer/consultant with the Department of Justice - OVC - TTAC, working with grantees on the issue of male victimization over the lifespan as well as the National Human Trafficking Training and Consultation Center through the state department Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons.

Steven has taught and presented on the issues of male victimization on local and national levels, consulting with various groups on the effects male childhood sexual abuse and commercial sexual exploitation, and technical assistance with program development. Steven served on the victim's services sub-committee on the Massachusetts Attorney General's Task Force on Human Trafficking.

Steven is a graduate of the University of Connecticut School of Social Work.

Sarah Raymond, Ph.D.

Dr. Raymond received her PhD from Michigan State University and she completed her pre-doctoral clinical psychology internship at the University of Notre Dame. Dr. Raymond's professional and research interests include sexual violence and trauma. She currently serves as the Military Sexual Trauma Coordinator at the McGuire VA and works with both male and female survivors of sexual violence

C. H. "Chuck" Slemp

C.H. "Chuck" Slemp, III was elected Commonwealth's Attorney for Wise County & the City of Norton on November 3, 2015. As Commonwealth's Attorney, Chuck manages an office of nine attorneys while working with State and local law enforcement officers and the citizens of Wise and Norton in order to prosecute those who choose to break the law. Prior to his service as Commonwealth's Attorney, Slemp served as Commissioner of Accounts for Wise County & the City of Norton, where we supervised the financial activities of court-appointed fiduciaries, and as General Receiver for the Circuit Court of Wise County, managing public funds in excess of \$1.5 million. Additionally, he practiced criminal, domestic relations law, and estate administration in Southwestern Virginia and Northeast Tennessee.

He is a graduate of the University of Virginia's College at Wise with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. He holds a master's degree from Regent University School of Government in Law & Public Policy and a Juris Doctor from Regent University School of Law. He completed postgraduate study at Oxford University Hertford College in the United Kingdom.

Prior to his service as Commonwealth's Attorney, Slemp served in a variety of roles to promote well-being of children, specifically children in foster care. He was appointed by the Governor of Virginia to the Virginia Commission on Youth, a standing bi-partisan legislative commission of the General Assembly which, by mandate, provides a legislative forum in which complex issues related to youth and their families may be explored and resolved. He served on the statewide steering committee for "Virginia Adopts: Campaign for 1,000," an effort to promote foster care adoption in Virginia. Further, Slemp represented the Commonwealth of Virginia at the National Conference of State Legislatures Children & Families Program Three Branch Institute on Children's Wellbeing.

In addition to prosecuting serious crimes, Commonwealth's Attorney Slemp has created various initiatives designed to create greater efficiencies in the criminal justice system and promote

public safety in Southwest Virginia. In 2016, Slemp launched the "Courts to Classrooms" program, which provides educational experiences for area students. In 2017, Slemp created the "Southwest Virginia Joint Senior Abuse Task Force" to address crimes against senior citizens and the "Wise Works" program to provide alternative sentencing options for low-risk offenders. Addressing the region's substance abuse crisis, protecting seniors from financial exploitation, and safeguarding children from abuse & neglect remains among his top priorities. Slemp represents the Ninth Congressional District on the Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys Services Council and is a member of the Virginia Trial Lawyers' Association Virginia Criminal Justice Conference. He also serves on the Board of Directors for Norton Community Hospital.

Anna Smith, MSW, RYT 200



Anna is Co-Founder of Restore One. She is a Master Level Social Worker and a 200 Registered Yoga Teacher. At Restore One, Anna collaborates with leading trauma experts to develop innovative, safe home care for boys who've exited the life of sex trafficking. She enjoys using her knowledge and personal experience to strengthen and stand in freedom with others through speaking, writing, and advocacy.

Journeying through her recovery process, she understands that healing is a painful yet beautiful path we must take to receive freedom. Anna believes restoration is possible for everyone, no matter age, gender or situation - it is possible.

Aside from her work at Restore One, Anna enjoys throwing pottery, writing and teaching yoga. She also loves to adventure outdoors with her husband, Chris, daughter, Asha and play with their dogs Titus, and Moses.

Chris Smith



Chris Smith is the Co-founder and Director of Engagement of Restore One, an antislavery organization and grassroots leader in bringing restoration and healing to boys that have been victims of domestic minor sex trafficking (DMST). Chris and his team are in the post-production

of BOY\$, a documentary that will expose the hidden truths about male victims of DMST in America. He is currently in the process of opening The Anchor House, the first shelter in America for sex trafficked boys ages 12 - 18.

When Chris is not working on Restore One efforts, he enjoys writing and being creative. He digs spending time with his wife, Anna, daughter Asha and their two dogs, Titus and Moses. Chris also loves taking part in many outside activities, including cycling, triathlons, and hiking. He also appreciates a good cup of coffee.

Doug Tinder

Doug Tinder is a dynamic and enthusiastic speaker. Doug speaks about healing and surviving childhood trauma. As a survivor of childhood sexual abuse, Doug speaks about the impact trauma can have on one's life. Doug discusses how resiliency prevailed in his life and how others should have hope for recovery and healing. Doug's healing journey has shown him that there is much personal pain in this world, within ourselves and we all have a capacity to live beyond that and be present today. Doug's faith has called him to embark on a journey to help others that wish and are ready to take their personal road to recovery. Doug's mission now is to raise local awareness to the social issue, and be a light for other individuals in showing that support does exist and healing is possible.

Kaylin Tingle, MSW



Kaylin Tingle, MSW [pronouns: she/they] is an antiviolence educator and advocate living in Richmond, VA [RVA]. Kaylin is a mezzo social worker who received a Master's in Social Work from VCU with certificates in Gender, Sexuality & Women's Studies and Gender Violence Intervention. For over 5 years, Kaylin has worked to prevent and respond to violence, with a focus on LGBTQIA+ [lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and other gender and sexual minority] communities, on VCU's campus and in the surrounding RVA community. Kaylin serves on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Anti-Violence Project. Kaylin has a passion for social justice, healthy relationships and safer communities. In their free time you can often find Kaylin relaxing by a body of water, spending time with family, or loving on their 18-year-old cat JoJo.

Dean Trippe



Dean Trippe is a writer and illustrator from rural North Georgia best known for Something Terrible, a short, true comic book about surviving child abuse. He is also a contributor to the Eisner and Harvey award-winning graphic anthology, Comic Book Tattoo, the creator of a superhero parody webcomic called Butterfly, the co-founder of Project: Rooftop, and illustrator of Power Lunch Vols. 1 & 2 kids' graphic novels.

Quentin Walcott



Quentin is an anti-violence activist and educator, specializing in engaging men and boys in ending gender-based violence. He is Co-Executive Director of CONNECT, a New York City nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing interpersonal violence.

Through his bold work, Walcott is pushing communities to redefine manhood and is building a society that embraces equality, mutuality and rejects violence in communities as the status quo. An anti-violence activist and educator, he has spent the last 18 years addressing a critical part of the equation to stopping violence against women: men. Quentin has developed and launched some of New York City's only programs aimed at transforming bystanders, men and boys, and even batterers into allies and activists against all forms of violence. Quentin as CONNECT's Co-Executive Director, along with Sally MacNichol, is an innovative example of shared leadership as men and women as allies in preventing and ending all forms of violence. 2015 Quentin has already lent his expertise in providing training to a global facilitator group in Bangkok, Thailand and has been selected as a J. Walter Thompson 2015 Innovator of Change Honoree. Quentin has demonstrated CONNECT's community empowerment model in Paris, France; and as an invited presenter at the 2014 MenEngage Global Symposium in New Delhi, India. 2013, Quentin's sought after expertise and leadership, lead him to work in Nairobi, Kenya, to train men and women from 11 African countries that do gender based violence work on male accountable practice. Quentin's groundbreaking work, vision, and activism were honored in 2013 with the UN Trust Fund's first ever awards along with UN Women Goodwill Ambassador Nicole Kidman and Founder of the Joyful Heart Foundation actress Mariska Hargitay, for their exemplary contribution to local, national and international efforts. In 2012, Quentin

received NOW – NYC’s Susan B. Anthony Award, the first male to receive the esteemed award. In 2011, Quentin was asked through a special invite by Vice President Joe Biden to facilitate one of ten events that occurred across the country during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Since 1996, Quentin trained, supervised and mentored by Dr. John Aponte, began facilitating Batterer’s Intervention and various other groups for men and youth throughout New York City. For 6 years, Quentin co-chaired the Committee on Working with Abusive Partners (CoWAP), a committee of programs explores best practices and look to transform policies regarding abuse partner intervention services throughout New York City. Quentin has also worked with Eve Ensler to help facilitate and launch V-Men programming in NYC.

Simon Weinberg



As founder of Big Voice Pictures, a leading advocacy documentary production company for the last twenty years, Simon has produced and distributed independent documentaries on challenging social issues funded by leading foundations and distributed internationally. Big Voice Pictures’ films give voice to emerging and cutting-edge issues, with the intention of motivating discussion, creating change, and offering new insights and hope for individuals, families, and communities through strategic outreach and collaboration with communities and organizations.

He is Co-producer of their recent film, *Boys and Men Healing*, produced in association with The International Documentary Association and endorsed by Childhelp USA and leading organizations. The film has been broadcast on PBS stations nationwide and is currently utilized by thousands of organizations in such countries as the United States, Canada, England, Cambodia, Israel, Spain, Africa and Argentina as a tool for education, training and prevention. Simon has initiated and organized screening with community panel discussions at hundreds of universities and conferences nationwide, including recent screenings at Penn State during the Sandusky trial. He is also is a leading inspirational and keynote speaker for the military and other national organizations, and has created and led workshops and trainings on The Hero’s Journey for survivors of abuse, and for professionals in the field.

Simon managed international distribution and outreach for Big Voice Pictures’ earlier film, *The Healing Years*, which become an acclaimed film in the field of women’s issues and child abuse prevention. The film has been broadcast on PBS stations, screened in international film festivals and leading conferences, and was endorsed by leaders in the field. Maya Angelou says the film represents “*abundant courage and great heart*”.

Simon forges collaborative efforts with state coalitions, rape crisis centers, correctional facilities, the military, organizations, universities, and child advocacy centers, to initiate positive and lasting social change, and to create much needed resources in communities.

Simon's early career included marketing, media relations and fundraising for leading environmental organizations. This included creating environmental awareness campaigns through radio, television, events and print, and working collaboratively with leading national organizations.

Giuseppe "Joe" Weller

Giuseppe Weller joined the U.S. Center for SafeSport in March of 2018. Prior to the Center, he spent 20 years working as a Detective Sergeant for the Broward County Sheriff's Office in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He worked as an undercover detective with the Strategic Investigations Division Organized Criminal Activities Assigned to investigate traditional organized crime enterprises against the Mafia in south Florida. Experienced with organizations and indictments with the R.I.C.O. (Racketeering Influence Corrupt Organizations) Law and Money Laundering. From 2007 until 2017, he was the Supervisor and Co-Commander for the South Florida Internet Crimes against Children / Human Trafficking Smuggling Task Force. His daily work activity was conducting undercover Online Traveler and Peer-to-Peer operations targeting Online Predators and hands-on offenders resulting in recoveries of underage children. He was also a sworn Federal Task Force Officer with the Federal Bureau of Investigations (F.B.I.) Child Exploitation Team working online Child Exploitation and operations targeting sex traffickers that use children in the sex trafficking industry. Former Master Speaker for the U.S. Department of Justice, Mental Health Foundation, with S.H.I.F.T. (Supporting Heroes in the Mental Health Foundational Training) guest speaking to law enforcement and criminal justice personnel in mental wellness. Military veteran, who enlisted for nine years with the U.S. Coast Guard and is bilingual and fluent in Italian and Spanish.

Matthew J. Weymouth

Matthew J. Weymouth is the founder of [Hazing Hurts](#). Matthew was a victim of sports hazing at the age of 15 years old at his high school in Massachusetts. Shortly after, he founded Hazing Hurts which is a non-profit organization created to help protect and be a voice for our children against hazing, bullying, and all types of abuse. Hazing Hurts works with local, state, and national government officials to change the laws and processes to help and protect our children. Matthew is passionate about changing legislation around hazing as well as teaching others about hazing and proactive/reactive solutions to hazing.