

MEMORANDUM – COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS BOARD

TO:	City Council
FROM:	Office of Boards & Commissions
DATE:	August 31, 2024
PURPOSE:	Appointment and Reappointments for Community Corrections Board
PROCESS:	City Council Confirmation

CURRENT BOARD STATUS

Staff Liaison: Greg Mauro, Division of Community Corrections | Department of Safety

Scope of Board/Commission: The Denver Community Corrections Board oversees the acceptance and rejection criteria for all offenders considered for placement in the Denver Community Corrections Residential program.

The Board is made up of representatives across the criminal justice spectrum.

- 10 represent criminal justice and human services departments, One represents Victim Services, Two have experience or expertise in criminal justice, Six are citizens of the City and County of Denver, One is a locally elected official, One is a representative of Denver Public Schools

Appointment Process: The Board has 21 members who are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council for 4 year terms.

Appointment Candidate Term: 10/01/2024 - 09/30/2028 or until a successor is duly appointed.



Cari Ladd, (Female, Caucasian) Senior Behavioral Health Consultant, The Steadman Group, LLC. (2024-Present)

Bio: Cari is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with over 15 years' experience working in Community Mental Health Centers in both New York and Colorado. Two years ago, she was selected to spearhead one of the most innovative new programs in Colorado: a low barrier and immediate online therapy service called TherapyDirect, created to address the stark reality that more people are seeking mental health support than there are clinicians providing services. She is currently a Senior Behavioral Health Consultant with The Steadman Group, a woman-owned public and behavioral healthcare consultancy. Cari has made numerous local TV media appearances, created vlogs for local organizations and been interviewed in print and online media discussing a variety of mental health topics including managing stress, compassion fatigue and the impact of trauma. She has created mental health programming presented throughout the business community, offering education about stress and burnout and teaching practical strategies for creating a culture of well-being in the workplace. Cari has a passion for mental healthcare access advocacy, specifically for underserved populations. She is an Alumni of the Leadership Denver class of 2024 and was named to the Denver Business Journal's 2024 40 Under 40 list.

Reappointment Candidates: Term: 07/01/2024 - 06/30/2028 or until a successor is duly appointed.

Sherriff Elias Diggins, (Male, African American) (Rep, Denver Sherriff Dept.)

Lieutenant Michelle Folmar, (Female, Caucasian). (Rep, Denver Office of Safety)

Kimberly Howard (Female, African American) (Rep, Chief Probation Officer)

Chris Meeks (Male, Caucasian) (Rep, Criminal Justice – lived experience)

CURRENT BOARD	TERM END DATE
Chris Meeks, Denver (Male, Caucasian), Criminal Justice Rep.	06-30-24
Kimberly Howard (Female, African American), Rep, Chief Probation Officer	06-30-24
Lt. Michelle Folmar, Denver (Female, Caucasian), Rep. Department of Safety	06-30-24
Sheriff Elias Diggins (Male, African American), Rep Sherriff's Department	06-30-24
Kathrine "Kate" Knowles (Female, Caucasian), Rep District Attorney Office	06-30-25
Jorge Aleman, Denver (Male, Hispanic), Rep. Youth Corrections	06-30-25
DeAnna Maes, (Female, Hispanic), Rep. Citizen Member	06-30-26
Brianne Hanson, (Female, Caucasian), Rep. Citizen Member	06-30-26
Scott Mangino, (Male, Caucasian), Rep. Citizen Member	06-30-26
Blake Renner, (Male, Caucasian), Rep Colorado Public Defender	06-30-26
Michelle Sykes, (Female, African American), Rep. Criminal Justice	06-30-27
Cary Heck, Arvada (Male, Caucasian), Rep. Adult Probabtion	06-30-27
Dana Niemela, (Female, Caucasian), Rep. Human Services	06-30-27
Charlene Emory-Proctor, (Female, Two or More Races), Rep. Citizen Member	06-30-27
Nicole Monroe, (Female, African American), Rep. Department of Safety	06-30-27
Hon. Julie Gonzales (Female, Hispanic), Local Elected Official	02-28-28
Andrew Zavaras (Male, Caucasian)	05-14-28
Tara Reeb (Female, Caucasian)	07-31-28