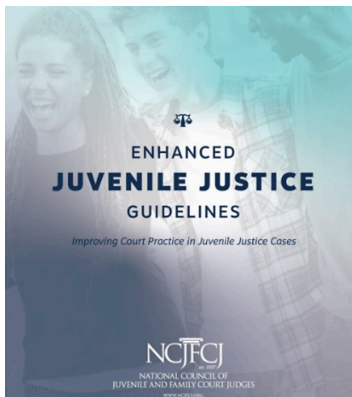




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Grantee Spotlight: Update to the Juvenile Delinquency Guidelines – Processing Delinquency Cases in Juvenile Courts



What works with youth involved in the juvenile justice system? This is a question that has research pointing to some clear answers. Wrap-around services, a focus on youth skill development, and a well-coordinated case plan are all keys to helping youth successfully exit the justice system and become better citizens of their communities. But even though we have a lot of research pointing to what works, it can sometimes be challenging to bridge the gap between theory and practice. Demonstration sites serve as a test laboratory to understand how research can inform practice. The [Enhanced Juvenile Justice Guidelines](#) (EJJG) project of the [National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges](#) (NCJFCJ) currently has six jurisdictions that are serving this critical role. These... [Read more](#)

In the News

President Biden Nominates Bethany Pickett Shah to State Justice Institute Board of Directors

On May 23rd, 2024, President Biden nominated Bethany Pickett Shah to the SJI Board of Directors. She will fill a public member position previously held by Judge John Nalbandian, who resigned after becoming a Circuit Court Judge for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Ms. Shah is an attorney with Jackson Walker LLP, where she specializes in complex commercial litigation, government investigations, and white-collar defense. Prior

to private practice, she served as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Texas, where she represented the United States in criminal prosecutions and civil litigation. Before becoming a prosecutor, she worked at the White House as Deputy Associate Counsel to the President, and at the Department of Justice as a... [Read more](#)

SJI Executive Director, Jonathan Mattiello, Congressional Briefing Panelist on Capitol Hill

The [State Justice Institute](#)'s Executive Director, Jonathan Mattiello, was honored to be on this recent panel on May 22nd, 2024, during a Congressional briefing on Capitol Hill, joined by U.S. Senator Chris Coons, judges, and other justice partners. This briefing was organized by the [National Center for State Courts](#) (NCSC) and co-hosted by U.S. Senator Chris Coons (DE), U.S. Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (TX), and U.S. Representative Michael McCaul (TX). Court leaders discussed the increasing threats and attacks on judges. Delaware Senator Christopher Coons, judges, and other justice partners emphasized the urgency in passing the Countering Threats and Attacks on.... [Read more](#)

SJI Board Awards FY 2024 Third Quarter Grants

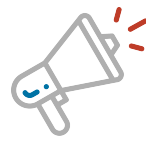
The FY 2024 3rd Quarter [State Justice Institute](#) SJI Board Meeting was held on June 3rd, 2024, at the [Michigan Supreme Court](#) in Lansing, Michigan. Members of the SJI Board, Executive Director, Jonathan Mattiello, and Senior Program Advisor, Michelle White, were joined by Chief Justice Elizabeth Clement and State Court Administrator, Tom Boyd, of the Michigan Supreme Court. SJI received 14 grant applications requesting a total of \$2,169,020 for the 3rd quarter of FY 2024. The Board awarded... [Read more](#)

Announcements



Upcoming Course! The [National Judicial College](#) (NJC) will be hosting: *Steering into the Future:*

Autonomous Vehicles and AI on **June 17th, 2024, at 12:00PM EST**. This course provides an in-depth exploration of the legal implications and challenges that judges may face with the advent of autonomous vehicles (AVs). The integration of AVs represents a significant shift for society and is expected to disrupt a range of social



Upcoming Webinar! The [National Center for State Courts](#) (NCSC) is hosting: *Unlocking the*

Secrets to Employee Success and Engagement with the New Court Employee Viewpoint Survey on **June 20th, 2024, at 3:00PM EST**. Judges and court leaders from three jurisdictions will share how they leveraged the new court employee viewpoint survey to independently learn what's working well, assess areas for ongoing improvement, and weave valuable

and economic systems To register now, click [here](#).

employee perspectives into future planning. Register [here](#).



[SJI Funding Toolkit:](#)

New Weekly Guide to Federal Grant Programs. Access the weekly guide to [Federal Grant](#)

[Programs](#) in one concise document, organized by topic area, and that highlights key information to help jurisdictions make decisions about whether to pursue these open funding opportunities. [The SJI Funding Toolkit](#) is designed to support local courts, state courts, and their justice system partners as they pursue federal and philanthropic funding opportunities. For more information on the toolkit and to access this resource, click [here](#).



Upcoming Conference!

Join the [National Council of Juvenile and Family Court](#)

[Judges](#) (NCJFCJ) in Phoenix, Arizona, for their 87th Annual Conference, from **July 21st - 24th, 2024**, which will feature amazing presentations on current and cutting-edge topics that will inspire and provoke discussions about issues facing the juvenile and family court system. Topic-specific training tracks on family law, juvenile justice, child welfare, and family violence; as well as sessions highlighting innovative solutions and self-care are just the beginning of the educational offerings at the NCJFCJ Annual Conference. Register [here](#).

If you are interested in sharing court related news or announcements in the SJI newsletter, please send all content to contact@sjj.gov by the 10th of the month.

Are you a SJI grantee interested in being featured in our monthly newsletter and on our website? Follow the instructions on our [Grantee Spotlight Submission Instructions page](#).



The next deadline to submit a grant application to SJI is **Aug 1, 2024**.

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