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Speaker Biographies

Catherine Cortez Masto, Moderator

Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto took the oath as Nevada's Attorney General in January 2007.

Prior to her service at the Attorney General's Office, General Masto worked as Assistant County Manager for Clark County beginning in January of 2002. This involved working with the County's agencies to improve children's services including foster care, adoption services, child welfare services and juvenile justice programs. She assisted in the creation of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative to build a better legal system for juveniles that would ensure youth accountability and the use of appropriate community-based alternatives.

As Assistant County Manager, General Masto also participated on the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Court Task Force to explore the creation of a unified domestic violence court. In addition to her role on the task force, she worked with various community partners to seek federal funding to create a Family Justice Center to provide services and support to domestic violence victims.

General Masto worked on the development and implementation of the Criminal Justice Advisory Counsel. The Advisory Counsel's mission is to produce an efficient working relationship, promote the use of best practices and improve communication among the departments within the criminal justice system.

Prior to working at Clark County, General Masto served two years as a federal criminal prosecutor for the United States Attorney's Office in Washington, D.C. During her tenure as an Assistant United States Attorney, she prosecuted criminals for felony possession and distribution of drugs.

In September 1995, General Masto was appointed to work in Governor Bob Miller's administration. During her initial years in Miller's administration she ran his southern Nevada office, provided supporting legal counsel, organized legislation for new state programs, facilitated public policy and managed intergovernmental affairs for various state agencies and commissions.

In July 1998, Governor Miller appointed General Masto to be his Chief of Staff.

General Masto is a native Nevadan. She attended the University of Nevada Reno, graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1986 with a major in Finance. She graduated Cum Laude from Gonzaga University School of Law, in Spokane, Washington in 1990.

Vincente Anchondo

Vincente Anchondo is the Supervisory Corrections Specialist for District III, Office of Justice Services, in the Western Regional Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Patricia Broken Leg-Brill

Patricia Broken Leg-Brill is the Chief of Corrections for District III, Office of Justice Services, in the Western Regional Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Matthew Dale

Matthew Dale is a Senior Consultant for the National Domestic Violence Fatality Review Initiative. He has given numerous presentations across the country on fatality review and has published in the *Fatality Review Bulletin* and the journal *Violence Against Women*. In 2001 Montana Attorney General Mike McGrath appointed him as the first-ever Director of the Department of Justice's Office of Consumer Protection and Victim Services. Dale coordinates work around the state in the areas of restorative justice, consumer protection, sexual assault and domestic violence. Dale is also the Coordinator for the Montana Domestic Violence Fatality Review Commission. Dale earned a BA in psychology from the University of Minnesota and holds a MA in social sciences from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, WA.

Traci Dory

Traci Dory is a native Nevadan born and raised in Elko, Nevada. After high school, she attended the Utah Valley College in Orem, Utah, and obtained an Associates degree as a Paralegal.

After working for a local law firm in Elko, Traci moved to Carson City to work in the Criminal Justice Division of the Attorney General's Office. In May of 2000 she was promoted to the Supervising Legal Secretary position of the Litigation Division at the Attorney General's Office.

In September of 2001, Traci became the Executive Assistant to the Director at the Nevada Department of Corrections. In January of 2003, she became the Victim Services Officer for the Department and began developing and expanding the services provided to victims of crime. In addition to victim services, she also provides training to NDOC's staff regarding victims' issues in Pre-Service Training, Correctional Employee Refresher and Non-Custody Basic training. Traci belongs to numerous local, state and national organizations and boards.

Tom Gede

Tom Gede is a principal at Bingham Consulting Group LLC and of counsel at Bingham McCutchen LLP, in San Francisco and Sacramento, California, providing legal and strategic planning for businesses working with state attorneys general and state government. Until October 2006, he served as the Executive Director of the Conference of Western Attorneys General (CWAG), coordinating the policy, litigation and legislative initiatives of 18 Western state Attorneys General, particularly focusing on water law, natural resources, Federal Indian

law, environment and energy law. Previously, Gede was a Special Assistant and Deputy Attorney General in the California Attorney General's Office.

In December 2010, then-House Minority Leader John Boehner appointed Tom Gede to the federally-constituted Indian Law and Order Commission, a nine-member panel charged with looking at public safety issues in Indian country. Gede is an adjunct professor for Federal Indian Law at University of the Pacific-McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, and regularly has participated in planning and working groups for the University of New Mexico's Utton Transboundary Resources Center on water resources and Indian law issues. He has served as Vice-Chair of the American Bar Association's Water Law Conference Planning Committee. Gede also has served as Chair of the Criminal Law Practice Group of the Federalist Society of Law and Public Policy Studies, and has authored papers on criminal law, universal jurisdiction, the USA-PATRIOT Act, the International Criminal Court and national security issues. On the 20th anniversary of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), Gede co-authored an article on Indian gaming compacting in the Arizona State Law Journal, Spring 2010.

In October 2008, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger appointed Gede to a 12-year term on the Board of Directors of the University of California-Hastings College of the Law. He earned his J.D. in 1981 from the University of California-Hastings College of the Law, and his B.A. in German language and literature, *with distinction*, in 1970 from Stanford University in 1970, also having attended the University of Hamburg, Germany.

Liz Greb

Elizabeth "Liz" Greb manages the Attorney General's Office Violence Against Women Act Grants Unit. She has worked for the unit since 2003 with various Grant Programs from the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW). Liz and her staff are currently working with the Attorney General's Office to expand upon the OVW grant programs to address issues related to family violence, particularly as it relates to child welfare.

Liz has over twenty years of grant program and administrative experience in fields ranging from medical research and treatment (Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center - Seattle, Washington), non-profit for child sexual abuse diagnosis and treatment (Children's Institute International - Los Angeles, California) and a wide variety of academic disciplines (University of Nevada, Reno) in addition to her current work for the Attorney General.

Wayne Howle

Wayne Howle is the Solicitor General for Nevada Attorney General Catherine Masto. He is responsible for overseeing consistency in legal policy in the Attorney General's Office, in particular in appellate advocacy, opinions, and State amicus appearances.

Wayne has worked for five Nevada Attorneys General since 1990. Over the years, he has represented numerous State agencies. His practice has included experience in natural resource law, federal Indian law and public land law. Most recently he has represented the Secretary of

State in election law and First Amendment cases. He has appeared in tribal, state and federal courts, including appearances in the Nevada and U.S. Supreme Courts.

Wayne received his undergraduate degree in political science from the College of Charleston in Charleston, S.C., in 1978. He worked for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management in Ely, Nevada, from 1979 until 1985, where he was the Ely District wilderness program leader. He then attended law school at the University of Idaho, and graduated magna cum laude in 1988. In his first year of practice, he served as law clerk for the Honorable Charles McGee in the Second Judicial District Court of Nevada in Reno. He has been with the Attorney General's Office for 20 years.

Samantha Ladich

Samantha Ladich is a Deputy Attorney General in the Bureau of Litigation, Public Safety Division. Samantha has been with the office for approximately five years and represents the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Motor Vehicles. Prior to joining the Attorney General's Office in 2005, Samantha worked as an associate at the law firm of Watson Rounds in Reno, Nevada, where she specialized in intellectual property litigation. Samantha is a graduate of Boston College and Pepperdine University, School of Law.

Rod Moore

Rod Moore is a 21 year veteran of the Nevada Department of Corrections. He started his career at the Nevada State Prison in 1990 and became the Facility Investigator in 1994. In 2005 he promoted to the Office of the Inspector General as a Criminal Investigator III. In 2010 he promoted to Supervisory Criminal Investigator within the Inspector Generals office. Rod has been a court certified expert in prison gangs since 1998 and continues to play a role in the management, identification and validation of inmates associated and/or engaged in Security Threat Group activity both inside Nevada's prisons and assisting outside law enforcement.

Kareen Prentice

Kareen Prentice is the Domestic Violence Ombudsman for the State of Nevada Attorney General's Office. She has trained law enforcement, judges, prosecutors, advocates, social workers, medical professionals, mental health counselors, psychologists and teens statewide. Her training experience covers a variety of issues related to sexual violence, child sexual abuse, and domestic violence. Kareen has developed curricula for a statewide child sexual abuse program. She has directed projects and worked with advocates statewide. Kareen has been trained by the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center to instruct others to train on domestic violence issues. She is committed to actively preventing domestic violence through education and social change.

Jerry Seevers

Jerry Seevers retired from the Nevada Department of Public Safety after 28 years of law enforcement. Jerry's last assignment was as the Northern Command Deputy Chief for the Investigation Division. The Investigation Division supervises drug task force operations

throughout rural Nevada. They also have a Major Crimes section that investigates serious crimes in Nevada upon a request for assistance from the local jurisdiction. Jerry also supervised the Nevada Threat Analysis Center (State FUSION Center) that provides a variety of intelligence services and information dissemination as well as the homeland security mission for Nevada's fifteen rural counties.

Jerry spent the majority of his career with the Nevada Highway Patrol Division. He started as a Trooper in Tonopah in 1982 then transferred to Reno in 1984. He was promoted to sergeant in 1988, however, he voluntarily demoted back to Trooper in 1992 to work day shift for family reasons. Later in 1992, he became a motorcycle officer and was certified as a motorcycle training officer by the California Highway Patrol in 1994 and continued as a motorcycle officer until 1998.

In April of 2002, Jerry was reinstated to Sergeant and transferred to the Office of Professional Responsibility (Internal Affairs) as an investigator for the department in Carson City. In December of 2002, Jerry was made the Commander of the unit. In July of 2003, he was promoted to Lieutenant.

In September of 2003, Jerry was transferred back to the Highway Patrol Division and supervised the Carson/Tahoe/Minden area. In 2004, his area of responsibility was increased to include the Fernley and Fallon areas. In December of 2005, he was assigned as the Administrative Lieutenant for the Northern Command. In May of 2007, Jerry was transferred back to Carson City and assigned as the Personnel Commander for the Highway Patrol Division. He remained there until his promotion to Deputy Chief for the Investigation Division in January of 2009.

Jerry is a graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command and holds a Management Certificate from the Nevada Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. He was a member of the Nevada Sheriffs' and Chiefs' Association and the National Alliance of State Drug Enforcement Agencies.

Andrea Sundberg

Andrea Sundberg has been working in the field to end violence against women for the past eighteen years. Ms. Sundberg started as a volunteer on several crisis lines in Arizona and Ohio before attending Kent State University where Ms. Sundberg received her Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice and Sociology. In August 2009, she earned her Master's in Public Administration from University of Nevada Las Vegas. Over the course of her career Ms. Sundberg has worked with more than 4,500 victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, provided training to more than 40,000 people, served as an expert witness on domestic violence cases, and has been selected to serve on the State of Nevada Domestic Violence Prevention Council, the State of Nevada Victims of Crime Sub-Committee, and as President of the Community Coalition for Victims Rights.

Neil Websdale

Neil Websdale, Ph.D. is the Director of the National Domestic Violence Fatality Review Initiative and is a Professor of Criminology at Northern Arizona University. His area of specialty includes Policing, Gender and Crime; Domestic Violence; Criminological Theory; Qualitative Methods and Analysis. Dr. Websdale is the author of *Understanding Domestic Homicide*, *Policing the Poor: From Slave Plantation to Public Housing*, and *Rural Women Battering and the Justice System*, which was awarded the 1999 Outstanding Book Award from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. His latest book, *Familicidal Hearts*, was published by Oxford University Press in 2010.

Dorene Whitworth

Dorene Whitworth is a contracted specialist on the Best Practices Guidelines for the Northern Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence Offices. She has worked to support victims of domestic violence for over 25 years. In 2010, Dorene retired from her position as the Nevada STOP Administrator for the State of Nevada, Attorney General's Office. As the STOP Administrator, Dorene developed and administered the discretionary grants programs. She developed training programs and brought STOP funding to Nevada for the Abuse Against Elders and those with Disabilities Program. She worked closely with the Attorney General to develop VAWA funding for the state, and was on the National Executive Board for the Association of VAWA Administrators.

James Wright

Jim Wright is with the Nevada Department of Public Safety and is currently serving dual roles as the Interim Chief of the Emergency Management/Homeland Security Division and the Chief of the State Fire Marshal Division.

Jim came to Nevada 4 ½ years ago from California where he served 31 years with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and retired at the rank of Deputy Director-Chief of Fire Protection. Jim has a unique and diverse background which includes vast experience not only in fire protection and prevention, but also in law enforcement, emergency management and emergency medical services. In addition, Jim has experience in working at city, county, and state levels of government as well as working with federal and tribal governments.