

# SOCIAL SERVICES / ADVOCACY PANELISTS

## Biographies



**Chelsea Richardson**

*Chelsea Richardson is a Mitigation Specialist with the State Appellate Defender Office's Juvenile Lifer Unit in Detroit, where she works primarily with clients sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole for crimes committed as children. She meets regularly with incarcerated clients, interviews witnesses throughout the state and country, obtains documentary evidence, and prepares social history reports for resentencing hearings. Prior to joining SADO, she worked as a Mitigation Specialist at the Northern Virginia Capital Defender Office, working for clients facing the death penalty at the trial level. Chelsea is passionate about conducting high-quality, thorough, and authentic life history investigations that highlight the humanity and complexity of people who have been accused and convicted of crimes. Chelsea received her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a minor in Sociology from Haverford College, where she also completed an award-winning thesis studying the racial, economic, and geographic disparities in the Virginia death penalty. Chelsea lives in Detroit and is currently pursuing her Master of Science in Criminal Justice at Wayne State University as a recipient of the Justice Scholarship.*



**Barbara Hankey**

*Barbara Hankey started her career in criminal justice in 1988 with Oakland County as a pretrial investigator. Today she is the Director of Oakland County Public Services which oversees Community Corrections, Children's Village, Animal Control and the Medical Examiner's Office. Ms. Hankey's experience includes the development, design, and implementation of programs which serve as sentencing options in lieu of incarceration. She has expertise in pretrial services, evidenced based practices and drug testing. She is a member of the National Institute of Corrections Pretrial Executive Network, the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies (NAPSA) and the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA). She has served as faculty for the NIC Pretrial Executives Orientation, is the Past-President of the Michigan Association of Treatment Court Professionals (MATCP) and current President of the Michigan Association of Community Corrections Advisory Boards (MACCAB). She was recently appointed by Governor Gretchen Whitmer to the Michigan Jail Reform Advisory Council. Ms. Hankey earned both her Bachelor of Arts Degree and her Master's in Administration from Central Michigan University.*



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**Dr. Tareq Ramadan**

*Dr. Tareq A. Ramadan is an anthropologist, numismatist, writer, entrepreneur, designer, immigration and cultural competency consultant, and interdisciplinary adjunct professor of Anthropology and Near Eastern Studies at Wayne State. He is also a project manager for a local non-profit where he wrote and was awarded a \$380,850 federal grant to renovate and transform the one-time Inkster home of Malcolm X into a museum. Tareq has also worked with various cultural institutions, museums, and U.S. government agencies over the years and, and last year, was named to the Arab America Foundation's 40 under 40 list.*



**Janice Blackmoore**

*Janice Black Moore is Child Welfare Professional with more than 20 years' experience with proven leadership ability to train and coach employees in professional development goals and strategies to create high performing teams ensuring that children are safe, stable, and achieve permanency. She completed her formal education at Spring Arbor University earning a Bachelor of Arts in Family Life Education. She also pursued advanced studies which resulted in a Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling from Ashland Theological Seminary. Janice Black Moore began her work with children and families with youth in the juvenile justice system at Southwest Counseling and Development now known as Southwest Solutions. She then accepted a position with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services in which she held various roles - Foster Care Worker, Foster Care and Adoption Program Analyst; Foster Care and Children's Protection Program Manager. In April 2018, she accepted the position of Division Director of Family Support Services with Spectrum Child and Family Services. In this position Ms. Black Moore leads a team in foster care, foster home licensing, adoption and prevention programs in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Genesee Counties to address the needs of children and families in the child welfare system. As a result of her training and experiences, Janice Black Moore has been involved in Permanency Roundtables as an Internal Consultant and Trainer, Title 4E reviewer (local and federal); Fetal Infant Mortality Review Committee; Wayne County Infant Safe Sleep Matters Coalition; and, Baby Court Implementation Team. In addition to the work that Janice Black Moore has completed within child welfare, she is an adjunct professor at Siena Heights University in the psychology department.*