

Virginia Juvenile Justice Association

Capital District Elections 2015

Capital District Members: In accordance with the Virginia Juvenile Justice Association (VJJA) Bylaws, the following members have been nominated to hold office in the Capital District for a two-year term beginning in January 2016. Please use your electronic ballot to vote for one candidate per office (space will be provided for write-in candidates). Voting will be on-line and available December 1 – 15, 2015. Thank you for participating in the election process.

Demian Futterman, 2015 State Election Commissioner



Candidate for Chair

TAMMY JOHNSON
DJJ Administration
City of Richmond, VA

A native of the Richmond area, Tammy Johnson graduated from Manchester High School; after high school she attended Virginia Commonwealth University where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice with honors. Through hard work and dedication, while working full time she earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Phoenix. As a long time employee of the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice, Tammy has served in several positions allowing her to gain a full understanding of the organization. Ms. Johnson started her career as a Counselor and then a Counselor Supervisor at Beaumont JCC. She desired exposure to the community aspects of working with juveniles, so she transferred to the 13th CSU Richmond as a Probation Officer. With her untraditional thinking, she provided incentives that exposed children on her caseload with two trips that were life-changing experiences. While at the 13th CSU she was promoted to Probation Officer Senior as the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) Expeditor. Ms. Johnson worked diligently and passionately to promote the JDAI principles in the City of Richmond; she advocated for the least restrictive alternatives while maintaining best practices in keeping the public safe. Through her diligent and consistent efforts Ms. Johnson reduced the detention population to record numbers. While at the 13th CSU, Ms. Johnson served on several leadership teams and assisted management in various capacities involving working with collaborative partners to ensure the most appropriate services were utilized for court involved families. Currently Ms. Johnson is working in the Human Resources Unit as a Background Investigator, learning the administrative component of the Department. Ms. Johnson puts forth her best efforts to ensure the right people are hired to work with the youth of the Commonwealth. Ms. Johnson resides in the City of Richmond and has three adult sons whom she is very proud of, two adorable grandsons who steal her heart and two fur babies that love her just as much.

"As Chair for the Capital District I plan to increase membership by 50% while ensuring each locality in the Capital District is represented and actively involved. I plan to increase membership through professional gatherings with a purpose for the Capital District localities and the families they serve. My strong work ethic and dedication to the Virginia Juvenile Justice community exemplifies that I can be the leader to best represent the Capital District workplaces and the families each serves. I look forward to working with each of you."



Candidate for Secretary

MARGO HARDY
Petersburg Community Programs
City of Petersburg, VA

Margo has over 15 years of experience in the juvenile justice field. Currently Margo is employed by the City of Petersburg as the Community Programs PJCCCA Manager. Margo graduated from Dinwiddie High School and Southside Virginia Community College in 1992 with an Associate's degree. Upon graduation from SVCC, she became an assistant manager at Cato Fashions, where she worked for several years before deciding to further her education. After receiving her Bachelors in Human Resources from St. Leo University she continued her education at the University of Phoenix, earning a Master's Degree in Human Resources. Margo decided to enter the field of juvenile justice in 2003, where she has worked with the City of Petersburg supervising and administering Crime Control Programs. Margo is an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.



Candidate for Vice Chair

MARCUS TUCKER
Richmond Juvenile Detention Center
City of Richmond, VA

Marcus has 12 years of experience in the juvenile justice field. Marcus started his career as a youth Counselor at the Richmond Juvenile Detention Center. He later joined the 13th District Court Service Unit - Richmond as a Probation Officer. Marcus and his wife briefly relocated to Tampa, Florida, where he was also employed as juvenile probation officer. The Tuckers soon relocated back to Richmond where Marcus served in the roles of Case Manager for the Chesterfield Adolescent Reporting Center and Program Manager for Intercept Youth Services. Currently Marcus is employed with the City of Richmond Juvenile Detention Center as the Post-Dispositional Program Coordinator. Marcus is married to Tiffany Tucker, MD. They have two children. In his spare time Marcus enjoys watching his favorite football team the Dallas Cowboys. Marcus holds a Bachelor's degree in Sociology from Averett University and a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of South Florida.



Candidate for Treasurer

GREG HOPKINS
Department of Justice Services
City of Richmond, VA

Greg has over 20 years of experience in the juvenile justice field. He has recently served as Chair of VJJA's Capital District Chapter. He is also currently serving as the Vice President of the Virginia Drug Court Association (VDCA). Previously Greg held the position of State President for the VDCA. Greg is the Juvenile Community Program Manager for the City of Richmond Department of Justice Services. He previously held the positions of Juvenile Drug Court Coordinator and Senior Probation Officer for the 13th CSU. Greg holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology with a Concentration in Administration of Justice from Virginia State University and a Master's degree in Criminal Justice from Tiffin University. In his spare time Greg enjoys volunteering with local non-profits. He is an active Board Member with NIA Inc. of Greater Richmond affiliated with Saint Paul's Baptist Church. Greg is married with 4 kids, the oldest a sophomore at Norfolk State University.