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## Statewide Conference on Juvenile Justice Opens Today in San Francisco

**WHAT:** Beyond the Bench XIX, California's largest multidisciplinary conference on juvenile law and policy, will bring together more than 800 judges, attorneys, probation officers, social workers, educators, and others to learn about the latest research and best practices to improve the juvenile justice and child abuse and neglect proceedings. The program includes 32 workshops on Thursday, and 7 all-day sessions on Friday.

**WHEN:** Thursday-Friday, December 11-12, 2008

**WHERE:** San Francisco Marriott Hotel  
55 Fourth Street  
San Francisco, California 94103

**SPEAKERS:** Justice Carlos Moreno, of the California Supreme Court, opening remarks at 8:50 a.m. on Thursday.

- **William Vickrey**, Administrative Director of the Courts, welcoming remarks at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday.
- **Matthew Cate**, Secretary of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, welcoming remarks at 8:30 a.m. Thursday.
- **John Wagner**, Director, California Department of Social Services, welcoming remarks at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday.
- **Assemblymember Jim Beall, Jr.**, welcoming remarks at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday.
- **New York Family Court Judge Dennis Duggan**, plenary speaker at 12:00 noon luncheon on Thursday, "Judges are from Mars, everyone else is from Venus."
- **Stacy Peralta**, director and writer of the award-winning movie, "*Crips and Bloods - Made in America*", 7:00 -7:30 p.m. Thursday. Remarks to follow the 5 p.m. San Francisco premiere of this documentary on gang life in Los Angeles.
- **Andrew Bridge**, attorney and author of *Hope's Boy*, a memoir on his experiences in foster care, 12:15 p.m. luncheon on Friday.

**CONTACT:** News media welcome to attend all sessions. To attend, please sign in at information desk outside Golden Gate Rooms A & B. For more information, call Lynn Holton at 415-865-7726 or Sidney Hollar at 415-425-1313.

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**BEYOND THE BENCH XIX**  
*Communicating & Collaborating*

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**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008**

7:30 a.m.–8:15 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 a.m.–9:15 a.m. Welcome/Opening Remarks

9:15–9:30 a.m. Break

9:30–10:45 a.m. **Workshops I**

I A Girls in the Delinquency System: Developing a Multidisciplinary Model

I B Family Search and Engagement: Bringing Children Home

I C Solving Conditions of Confinement Problems for Youth in the  
Delinquency System: Self-Help for Practitioners

I D Crossing Borders, Connecting Families: Child Welfare Cases Involving  
Immigrant Families and Placement in Foreign Countries

I E Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder

I F Assessing the Juvenile Justice System's Capacity to Serve Transgender  
Youth in Secure Facilities

I G Delinquency Today: Findings and Recommendations of the Juvenile  
Delinquency Court Assessment

I H Improving Outcomes for Native American Children in the Delinquency  
System

10:45–11:00 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m. **Workshops II**

II A Dependency Law Update

II B Juvenile Justice Reform: Realizing Responsibility

II C Reproductive Health Access for Dependents and Delinquents: Consent,  
Confidentiality, and the Role of the Courts

II D From Foster Care to College: Guardian Scholars Program

II E Cultural Competency: Working With Southeast Asian Youth and  
Their Families

II F Addressing Dependency and Delinquency Cases with Restorative  
Conferencing

II G Helping Foster Youth Live a More Normal Life

II H Maintaining Life in Balance

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12:15–1:45 p.m. **Lunch Plenary:**  
**Judges Are From Mars, Everyone Else Is From Venus**

1:45–2:00 p.m. **Break**

2:00–3:15 p.m. **Workshops III**

III A **Judges Are From Mars, Everyone Else Is From Venus: When the System Talks, Why No One Listens**

III B **Promoting Collaborative Justice for Families With Drug and Alcohol Issues in Dependency Court**

III C **Visitation for Children With Incarcerated Parents**

III D **Youth and the Internet: Use of Social Networking Sites in Delinquency Actions**

III E **Due Process for Juvenile Parolees:**  
**What Comes Next after *L.H. v. Schwarzenegger*?**

III F **Incompetent Youth in California Juvenile Justice**

III G **Someone Got Hurt: Victims and Survivors of Juvenile Offenders Tell Their Stories**

III H **The Issue of Youth Who Age Out of Foster Care: New Developments and Continuing Challenges**

3:15–3:30 p.m. **Break**

3:30–4:45 p.m. **Workshops IV**

IV A **Delinquency Law Update**

IV B **Court Approval of Psychotropic Medication for Dependent and Delinquent Youth: Role of the Child's Attorney**

IV C **Undocumented Youth in the Delinquency System**

IV D **"It's Like That, and That's the Way It Is:"**  
**Juvenile Court Responsibility to Ensure Meaningful Educational Representation for Children**

IV E **The Right to Know Versus the Right to Confidentiality:**  
**How Evidentiary Privilege Intersects With the Release of Confidential Information**

IV F **State County and Tribal Cooperation in Dependency Court**

IV G **Lessons Learned: When Your Court Goes to School**

IV H **Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan**

5:00–7:00 p.m. **Premiere of Award-Winning Movie: *Made in America***

7:00 – 7:30 p.m. **Special Appearance: Stacy Peralta, Film Director**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2008**

**In-Depth Seminars:**

Friday sessions are from four to eight hours long and involve a thorough and comprehensive study of specific topics.

*Workshops end at various times. Please refer to end times when selecting a session.  
Lunch is provided for all attendees who registered for workshops.*

- 7:30 a.m.–8:15 a.m.**      **Breakfast**
- 12:00 p.m.–1:30 p.m.**      **Lunch Plenary:** Andrew Bridge, Author of "*Hope's Child*"
- 8:00 a.m.–12 noon\***      **Race Matters: Coming to Terms With Racial Disparities in Foster Care** (*\*Possible afternoon discussion session to follow.*)
- 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.**      **Advanced Attorney Symposium**
- 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.**      **Mental Health Issues in Delinquency and Dependency Matters**
- 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.**      **Juvenile Law Issues for Judicial Officers**  
(*This session is for Judicial Officers Only*)
- 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.**      **How Decisionmaking Processes Work Together: From Dependency Mediation to Restorative Justice**
- 8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.**      **Basic Dependency Law for Attorneys**
- 8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.**      **Treatment Models and Reform Efforts for Juvenile Offenders**

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