# Texas Governor’s Committee on People with Disabilities

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE BRIEFING AGENDA**

September 29, 2023

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Virtual Only

Videoconference Meeting via ZOOM; registration is required.

Registration link for the Committee meeting:

<https://txgov-us.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_xvUbkumCRf2RGnwkmfjFPA>

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1. Call to Order/ Roll Call/ Introductions – Richard Martinez, Chair.
2. Approval of Committee Member Absences as Submitted (*Discussion/Possible Action*)
3. An Overview of the Office of Court Administration and Access to Courts - Mr. Louis Tomasetti, Director of Government Relations, and Ms. Veena Mohan, Assistant General Counsel

1. Introduction to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Karen Hall, Deputy Chief of Staff, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
2. Overview **of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice** – Jason Clark, Chief of Staff, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
3. Community Supervision (Probation) – Carey Green, Criminal Justice Assistance Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
4. Incarceration - Bobby Lumpkin, Correctional Institutions Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
5. Education – Kristina Hartman, Superintendent, Windham School District

BREAK

1. The ADA in Corrections - Disability Related Access for Inmates and Visitors Guide 2023 **–** Julie Ballinger, M.A., Southwest ADA Center

BREAK

1. Overview of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards - Brandon Wood, Executive Director, and Ricky Armstrong, Assistant Director

LUNCH Break

1. Physical Plant – Damon Andrews, Facilities Division Deputy Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
2. Programming– Christopher Carter, Rehabilitation Programs Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
3. Manufacturing and Transportation – Garth Parker, Manufacturing, Agribusiness and Logistics Division Deputy Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
4. Medical and Assistive Disability Services – Lannette Linthicum, Health Services Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, with support from TDCJ medical contractors at UTMB and Texas Tech
5. Reentry - April Zamora, Reentry and Integration Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
6. Overview of Vocational Rehabilitation Services to Prepare Inmates with Disabilities to Exit Prison – Claudia Peden, Texas Workforce Commission Program Manager

BREAK

1. Parole - Rene Hinojosa, Parole Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
2. Crime Victims – Angie McCown, Victim Services Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
3. Ombudsman Program - Brian Patrick, Office of the Independent Ombudsman Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
4. Grievance and Access to Courts - Marvin Dunbar, Administrative Review and Risk Management Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
5. Training and Recruitment - David Yebra, Training and Leader Development Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
6. Employee Accommodations – Allison Dunbar, Human Resources Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
7. Technology Assistive Services - Tina Clark, Information Technology Division Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice
8. GCPD Committee Member Q&A
9. Adjournment – Richard Martinez, Chair

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