

**Reentry Task Force  
MINUTES**

May 9, 2023 / 9:30AM-12:00PM  
Virtual Meeting

**FINAL MEETING OF THE TASK FORCE**

**ATTENDEES**

**TASK FORCE MEMBERS**

Michael Tessean, *Task Force Co-chair*, Director/ Colorado State Board of Parole  
Janet Drake, Attorney General's Office  
Joy Hart, Behavioral Health Administration representative  
Merideth McGrath, CDOC/ Parole Division  
Katie Ruske, Office of Community Corrections/ Division of Criminal Justice  
Silvia Simms, Summit County Sheriff's Office  
Todd Spanier, Arapahoe County Criminal Justice Services  
Travis Horton, CO Community Corrections Coalition  
Glenn Tapia, Probation Services/ Judicial Branch

**GUESTS**

Gretchen Russo, CO Dept. of Human Services

**STAFF**

Richard Stroker, CCJJ Consultant  
Stephané Waisanen, CCJJ Staff, Division of Criminal Justice  
Laurence Lucero, CCJJ Staff, Division of Criminal Justice  
Kevin Ford, CCJJ Staff, Division of Criminal Justice  
Courtney Leapley, CCJJ Staff, Division of Criminal Justice  
Tania Gutierrez, CCJJ Staff, Division of Criminal Justice

**ABSENT**

Abigail Tucker, *Task Force Co-chair*, Psychologist/ Mental health services provider and consultant  
Taj Ashaheed, Reentry Advocacy/Second Chance Center  
Meredith Davis, Health Care Policy & Financing  
Rick Kornfeld, Defense Attorney  
Brian Mason, District Attorney/ 17<sup>th</sup> JD  
Greg Mauro, Denver Division of Community Corrections  
Steve O'Doriso, County Commissioner/ Local government representative  
Andre Stancil, Executive Director/ Colorado Department of Corrections

<b>Issue/Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<p>Welcome &amp; CCJJ Sunset  <i>Michael Tessean</i>  <i>Task Force Co-chair</i></p>	<p>Michael Tessean, Task Force Co-chair welcomed participants. He informed the members that the CO House Judiciary Committee postponed indefinitely Senate Bill 2023-158 on Sunday, May 7, 2023. Therefore, the Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice was not reauthorized to continue. The Commission committees that were active upon the sunset of the Commission are suspended. Therefore, the work of the Reentry Task Force is concluded.</p>

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<p>Adjourn  <i>Michael Tessean</i>  <i>Task Force Co-chair</i></p>	<p>Michael asked members to consider continuing the conversation on improving services for formerly incarcerated individuals reentering the community. If interested, Michael will contact the Reentry Task Force members in early September 2023.</p> <p>With no questions or concerns, Michael thanked members for volunteering in these efforts and for their service and dedication.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am.</p>

**No further meetings**

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