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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS - CHICAGO , PhD Candidate, <i>Sociology</i>	Present
DEFENSE-VICTIM OUTREACH TRAINING , <i>Federal Death Penalty Resource Counsel Project</i>	Dec. 2022
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS - CHICAGO , M.A., <i>Sociology</i>	Dec. 2017
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY , L.S.M.A., <i>Human Rights</i>	May 2009
KNOX COLLEGE , B.A., <i>Gender and Women’s Studies</i>	May 2003
THE SCHOOL FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAINING, UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES , <i>Gender and Development</i>	Dec. 2002

EXPERIENCE

EVANSTON VICTIM OUTREACH - Evanston, IL Dec. 2022-present
DEFENSE VICTIM OUTREACH SPECIALIST

Provide a safe, respectful, and trauma informed avenue of communication between defense teams and victim-survivors and victims’ loved ones, expanding the options available to families and victim-survivors to get information, responses to their questions, to voice their concerns, and to better address their needs throughout the judicial process.

SENTENCING ADVOCACY GROUP OF EVANSTON - Evanston, IL 2015-present
MITIGATION SPECIALIST

Lead teams in the development of detailed, multi-generational life histories for people facing the death penalty, juvenile life without release, or other sentences. Contextualize the charges and demonstrate the client’s humanity with the goal of obtaining a lower sentence.

Identify, locate, and interview relevant people in a culturally competent manner that produces confidential, relevant, and reliable information. Recognize and elicit information about mental-health symptoms, sexual abuse, trauma, and other sensitive topics. Establish rapport with witnesses

to overcome barriers to disclosure. Gather documentation to support the testimony of expert and lay witnesses, including, but not limited to, school, medical, employment, and social service records.

Aid counsel in identifying the type of experts needed, including psychologists, neuropsychologists, toxicologists, sociologists, and experts in intellectual disability, trauma, sexual abuse, and addiction, and facilitate the expert's work.

MITIGATION CASES:

1. *IL. v. Aramis Beacham*, 11-CR-1845401 (Cook Cty. IL) juvenile-life, Atty. Kyan Keenan
2. *U.S. v. Benjamin Biancofiore*, 16-CR-00306 (N.D. IL) non-capital, Atty. LisaWood
3. *U.S. v. Floyd Brown*, 19-CR-50016 (N.D. IL) capital, Atty. John Beal
4. *IL. v. Tameka Broyles*, 15-CR-1446801 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Daniel Naranjo
5. *U.S. v. Maurice Burks*, 17-CR-124 (Mid. Dis. Tenn.) capital, Atty. John Bailey
6. *IL. v. Jakwon Buchanan*, 23-CR-639101 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Theresa Nelson
7. *KS. v. Johnathan Carr*, 00-CR-2974 (Sedgwich Cty. Kansas), capital, Atty. Mark Hendrickson
8. *IL. v. Christopher Carter*, 22-CR-0796401 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Theresa Nelson
9. *U.S. v. Brendt Christensen*, 17-CR-20037 (Cen. D. IL) capital, Atty. Elizabeth Pollock
10. *IL. v. Marcus Cocroft*, 10-CR-21078 02 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Vernon Schleyer
11. *IA. v. Vincent Connors*, FECR086611 (IA. D.) non-capital, Atty. Eric Tindal
12. *IL. v. Lawrence Del Russo*, 13-CR-10266 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Emmanuel Andre
13. *IL. v. Dominique Dextra*, 13-CR-10627 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Emmanuel Andre
14. *VA. v. Marlin Dumas*, 13-CV-00398 (Cir. Ct. Va.) juvenile-life, Atty. David O'Brien
15. *U.S. v. William Clyde Gibson*, 20-CV-00100 (Ind. S. D.) capital, Atty. Ken Murray
16. *IL. v. Fabian Eason*, 98-CR-26003 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Lakshmi Jah
17. *IL. v. Demond Goudy*, (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Lawndale Christian Legal Clinic
18. *U.S. v. Mark Harmon*, 20-CR-00034 (Ind. S. D.) non-capital, Atty. George Barnett
19. *OK. v. Keegan Harroz*, CF-2019-228 (Okmulee Cty.) capital, Atty. Carla Stinnet
20. *IL. v. Chron Hollis*, 15-CR-12085 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Tony Thedford
21. *IN. v. Kevin Isom*, 45G04-0708-MR-8 (Ind. Ap.) capital, Atty. Joanna Green
22. *U.S. v. Chelsea Perkins*, 21-CR-00869 (N.D. Ohio), capital, Atty. Andrea Lyon
23. *IL. v. Virginia Munuoz*, 19-CR-03976 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Lisa Boughton
24. *IA. v. Denem Null*, FECR086637 (IA. D. Ct) non-capital, Atty. Mark Meyer
25. *IL. v. Joy Ramos*, 17-CR-14698 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Emmanuel Andre
26. *ID. v. Richard Ross*, CV35-22-341 (Nez Perz, ID) capital, Atty. Anne Taylor
27. *Daron Smith*, Illinois clemency petition, non-capital, Atty. Hallie Bezner
28. *IL. v. Oliver Spann*, 13-CR-1886401 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Ruth McBeth
29. *IL. v. Diante Speed*, 19-CR-12299 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty Sandra Parris
30. *U.S. v. Tremayne Thompson*, 17-CR 611-3 (N. D. IL.) capital, Atty. John Beal
31. *IL. v. Davion Thurman*, 22-CR-1021901 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Theresa Nelson
32. *IL. v. Fred Weatherspoon*, 93-CR-26477 (Cook Cty. IL) juvenile-life, Atty. Andrea Webber
33. *IL. v. Emral White*, 2022-CR-0550401 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty. Theresa Nelson
34. *MI. v. Donald Williams*, 93-1791 (16th Cir., Macomb Cty.) juvenile-life, Atty. Laura Sharkey
35. *IL. v. Arsenio Willis*, 2008-CR-12569 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty Amanda Stevens
36. *IL. v. John Yanni* (DeKalb Cty. Cir.) non-capital, Atty. Liam Dixon
37. *IL. v. John Young* 2001-CR-2839801 (Cook Cty. IL) non-capital, Atty Lisa Boughton

**CIRCLES & CIPHERS
DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT**

2010-2020

Assisted the Executive Director with grant writing and fundraising, trained and mentored youth leaders, facilitated peace circles with youth who are gang involved or impacted by the criminal punishment system.

**STOP-IT INITIATIVE TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT**

2011-2012

Developed youth leadership programming and curricula, assisted staff in implementing weekly drop-in space for youth in the commercial sex trade or youth who were trafficked for the purposes of commercial sex, trained staff.

**GIRLS EDUCATIONAL AND MENTORING SERVICES
SUPPORT SERVICES COORDINATOR**

2003-2009

Managed a case load of 40+ youth involved in the commercial sex trade, provided counseling and case management services, facilitated weekly youth development groups, accompanied and advocated for youth on appointments to meet their goals, and provided crisis intervention services.

Collaborated with the Legal Aid Society to train staff and advocate for youth in the commercial sex trade detained on delinquency and PINS petitions in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, and the Bronx. Developed Alternative to Incarceration models with community courts in Midtown and Red Hook for youth criminally charged with prostitution. Developed the first diversion court in the U.S. for youth arrested for prostitution with Judge Fernando Camacho in Queens, NY.

PUBLICATIONS

Clarno, Andy, Enrique Alvear, Janaé Bonsu-Love, Lydia Dana, Michael De Anda Muñiz, Sangeetha Ravichandran, and Haley Volpintesta. 2024. *Imperial Policing: Weaponized Data in Carceral Chicago*. University of Minnesota Press.

Muñiz, Michael De Anda; Janaé Bonsu; Lydia Dana; Sangeetha Ravichandran; Haley Volpintesta; and Andy Clarno. 2020. "From Graduate Practicum to Activist Research Collective: Roundtable with Members of the Policing in Chicago Research Group and Our Community Partners." *Radical History Review*, 137:141-156.

Policing in Chicago Research Group. 2019. "Accountability After Abolition: The Regional Gang Intelligence Database." Published online: <http://erasethe database.com>.

Policing in Chicago Research Group. 2018. "Expansive and Focused Surveillance: New findings on Chicago's Gang Database." Published online: <http://erasethe database.com>.

Policing in Chicago Research Group. 2018. "Tracked and Targeted: Early Findings on Chicago's Gang Database." Published online: <http://erasethe database.com>.

Schaffner, Laurie; Grant Buhr; Deana Lewis; Marco Roc; and Haley Volpintesta. 2016. *“Experiences of Youth in the Sex Trade in Chicago: Issues in Youth Poverty and Homelessness.”* Center for Court Innovation: New York, NY.

WORKS in PROGRESS

Volpintesta, Haley. *“Epistemologies of Survival: Sex Trafficking, Carceral Entanglements, and Youth in Chicago’s Commercial Sex Trade.”*

Volpintesta, Haley. *“What’s Trafficking Got to do with It? Youth Who Trade Sex and The Paradox of Victimization.”*

Volpintesta, Haley. *“Illinois’ Safe Children Act and the Gendered Management of Punishment and Protection.”*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2022-2023 University of Chicago Medical School, Violence Recovery Program
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Research Group, Dr. Franklin Cosey-Gay

2019-2021 University of Illinois, Department of Sociology
Covid-19 and Policing in Chicago, Dr. Andy Clarno

2018-2019 University of Illinois, Department of Sociology
Youth Participatory Action Research on Policing in Chicago, Dr. Andy Clarno

2016-2018 University of Illinois, Department of Sociology
The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Youth in Chicago, Dr. Laurie Schaffner

2017 University of Illinois, Department of Sociology
Big Data and Predictive Policing, Dr. Andy Clarno

2014 University of Waterloo, Department of Sociology
Cook County Felony Prostitution Court, Dr. Rashmee Singh

2010-2013 Center for Court Innovation
Youth in the Chicago Sex Trade, Dr. Laurie Schaffner

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Volpintesta, Haley and Evelyn Diaz. 2022. *“The Paradox of Adulthood: Illinois’ Safe Children Act and The Gendered Management of Punishment and Protection.”* Midwest Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

Volpintesta, Haley. 2021. *“Fault Lines of Survival: Sex Trafficking, Carceral Entanglements, and the Epistemic Agency of Youth in Chicago’s Commercial Sex Trade.”* American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

Volpintesta, Haley. 2019. *"Policing in Chicago: Fugitive Life and Death."* Social Science History Association: Data and Its Discontents, Chicago, IL.

Volpintesta, Haley and Brianna Johnson. 2019. *"Gang Databases, Strategic Subjects, and Zones of Survival: A Youth Led Participatory Action Research Project."* Punishing Trauma, Columbia University, New York, NY.

Volpintesta, Haley. 2019. *"What's Trafficking Got to do With It? Youth Who Trade Sex and State Violence."* 21st Chicago Ethnography Conference: Issue of Gender in Ethnography, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.

Volpintesta, Haley and Marco Roc. 2016. *"Distorting the Dominant Narrative: Youth in Chicago's Sex Trade,"* Midwest Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

Volpintesta, Haley, Deana Lewis, and Marco Roc. 2015. *"Chicago Youth in the Sex Trade."* National Women's Studies Association, Milwaukee, WI.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020-2021	University of Illinois, Gender and Women's Studies Department, Chicago, IL Gender and Women's Studies 101
2019-2020	University of Illinois, Sociology Department, Chicago, IL. Sociology of Childhood and Youth
2019-2021	University of Illinois, Sociology Department, Chicago, IL. Social Inequalities
2018-2019	University of Illinois, Sociology Department, Chicago, IL. Sociological Research Methods
2016-2017	University of Illinois, Gender and Women's Studies Department, Chicago, IL Global Perspectives on Women and Gender
2002-2003	Knox College: Gender and Women's Studies Department, Galesburg, IL Gender and Women's Studies 101

SERVICE POSITIONS

2022-2023	Public Sociology Conference Planning Committee, University of Illinois-Chicago
2021-2023	Graduate Advisory Board, University of Illinois-Chicago
2020-2022	Graduate-Undergraduate Research Mentoring Program, University of Illinois-Chicago

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2022-2023	Dean's Scholar Award, University of Illinois-Chicago
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2021-2022	National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, American Sociological Association
2020-2021	Alice J. Dan Dissertation Research Award, University of Illinois-Chicago
2019-2020	Special Collections Graduate Student Research Fellowship, University of Illinois-Chicago
2018-2019	NSF Problem Solving Sociology Dissertation Workshop, Northwestern University
2001-2003	McNair Fellow, Knox College

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Sociological Association

Sections Children and Youth; Crime, Law, and Deviance; Sociology of Law; Race, Class, and Gender

Law and Society Association

CRNs: Punishment and Society; Ethnography, Law, and Society; Sex Work, Law and Society

Midwest Sociological Association

National Association for Public Defense (NAPD)

National Association for Sentencing Advocates and Mitigation Specialists (NASAMS)

National Women's Studies Association