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National Council on Crime and Delinquency Announces New President

(Oakland, CA) – The Board of Directors of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) is proud to welcome Alex Busansky as the organization’s new president effective May 1st. Mr. Busansky brings with him more than two decades of direct experience with the criminal and juvenile justice systems, working in law enforcement, government, and the nonprofit sector.

The appointment of Mr. Busansky represents a key milestone in the organization’s multi-year transition plan developed by the Board, former NCCD President Dr. Barry Krisberg, and Executive Vice President Christopher Baird, who has served as president on an interim basis since December.

“The Board and staff are excited to be working with Alex, and about the future of NCCD,” said Vicki Spriggs, Chair of the Board of Directors. “We would like to thank Chris for providing a steady leadership presence to give us the time needed to complete our search and for making the transition process as smooth as possible; and Barry for creating such a strong foundation for the organization to build on.”

Mr. Busansky began his legal career as a prosecutor in the Manhattan District Attorney’s Office. Mr. Busansky came to Washington, DC after a decade in New York to work as an attorney in the Criminal Section of the Civil Rights Division at the U.S. Department of Justice and, through a detail assignment, for the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee and Senator Russ Feingold of Wisconsin. In his most recent positions as the founding director of the Vera Institute of Justice’s Washington DC office and executive director of the Commission on Safety and Abuse in America’s Prisons, Mr. Busansky led the development and launch of numerous national and local criminal and juvenile justice initiatives for the organization.

“Alex’s creative vision, his dedication to this field, and his broad experience – at the federal, state, and local levels, and in policy and practice – make him uniquely qualified to lead NCCD and continue to build our national presence,” said Mr. Baird. “His commitment to research, collaborations, and partnerships complements that of the organization, and will further advance our work to improve adult corrections, child welfare, and juvenile justice systems.”

Mr. Baird will resume his responsibilities as the manager of NCCD's Madison office, which includes the Children's Research Center and other projects, a position he has held for 25 years. Dr. Krisberg, who led the organization for more than 25 years and brought NCCD to a new level of national prominence, has joined the staff of the Berkeley Center for Criminal Justice at the U.C. Berkeley School of Law as a Distinguished Senior Fellow and Lecturer in Residence. He will also continue his work on several projects as a Distinguished Senior Fellow at NCCD.

Mr. Busansky will be based in NCCD's Oakland, California office.

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Founded in 1907, NCCD is a nonprofit organization that promotes effective, humane, fair, and economically sound solutions to family, community, and justice problems. NCCD conducts research; promotes reform initiatives; and seeks to work with individuals, public and private organizations, and the media to prevent and reduce crime and delinquency. With interests spanning federal, state, and local involvements, NCCD has offices in Oakland, California; Madison, Wisconsin; and Jacksonville, Florida.

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