

# Community Restorative Justice Commission of MONTEREY COUNTY

## Commission Member Application

NAME: Amir Chapel DATE: 1-24-2023

DL#: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(You must include a photocopy of your driver's license and social security card).*

**Current Address:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street/ Apt No. City State Zipcode

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Occupation: Student & Program Manager

Special licenses, credentials, training certificates: \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous volunteer experience:**

| Business/Organization Name                     | Address                                  | Phone | Job/Position Title   | Supervisor         |
|--|--|-------|----------------------|--------------------|
| NM Sentencing Comm                             | 10 Unvers<br>Albany 487131               |       | Research Scientist 3 | Linda Freeman      |
| National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform | 4900 Shattuck #3017<br>Oakland, CA 94609 |       | Policy Analyst       | Ta-Tanisha Wallace |

How did you hear about the Community Restorative Justice Commission?  
From District 4 Supervisor Wendy Root-Askew. She mentioned Boards & Commissions were looking to fill vacancies

Have you ever been convicted of a crime resulting in: imprisonment, probation, fine, forfeiture of bail of \$100 or more? Yes  No

If yes, indicate the following: Charge: Included as Attachment Date Charged: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Action Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in working as a member on the Community Restorative Justice Commission?  
Because communities need healing & restoration. Punitive approaches by themselves will always fall short of achieving success in mitigating negative CJ outcomes.

Those who serve on the commission are expected to attend the monthly meeting, held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday from 12:00 – 1:00 PM. You must be available to attend this meeting, as well as serve on at least one subcommittee, participate in a conference and attend Restorative Justice training.

I certify that the information on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore, my signature provides my authorization to the County of Monterey to do driver and criminal records check, as well as reference checks to determine my suitability for placement.

  
 Signature

1-24-2023  
 Date

Please contact (831) 755-3961 for questions. Please return this application to 1422 Natividad Road, Salinas, CA 93906 or fax it to (831) 759-7242.

## **Mr. Amir Chapel**

Amir's professional experience allows him to affect change in the criminal legal system through comprehensive program evaluation and review of quantitative and qualitative data that informs program practices and policy decisions at all levels. Working with law enforcement and community, Amir has a vast knowledge in conducting gun violence landscape analyses which look to identify individuals most likely to be a victim of or likely to engage in gun violence, so that all interested stakeholders can work to implement evidence-based gun violence reduction strategies that work to reduce gun related homicides and non-fatal shootings. The ability to map the locations and understand the factors associated with each homicide and non-fatal shooting that occurs within a jurisdiction allows for effective strategies to be implemented.

### **Professional Skills**

- \* Program Evaluation
- \* Data Analysis, Mapping, and Visualization
- \* Community Engagement and Focus Group Facilitation
- \* Credible Messenger - Street Outreach

### **Education**

MS. Criminology, University of Cincinnati.

BA. Psychology, University of New Mexico.

### **Professional Experience**

November 2022- Present  
Program Manager (Policy and Practice), National Criminal Justice Association

October 2020 - November 2022  
Policy Analyst, National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform

December 2019 - Present  
Principal Consultant, Against All Odds Ltd

April 2019 – December of 2019  
Policy Manager, Albuquerque Police Department

January 2019 – April 2019  
Mitigation Specialist, NM Law Offices of the Public Defender

August 2017 – December 2018  
Program Evaluator II, Legislative Finance Committee of New Mexico

December 2010 – August 2017  
Research Scientist, Institute for Social Research-New Mexico Sentencing Commission

### **Boards and Commissions**

Executive Steering Committee for California Violence Intervention Program

Albuquerque Gun Violence Task Force

Albuquerque South East Area Command Community Policing Council

## Publications

### *Applied Research*

Chapel, Amir., Vishwanath, Nehali. (2022). "Gun Violence Assessment: Atlanta Georgia." National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform.

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Chapel, Amir (2021). "Criminal Justice Reform in California." National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform

Chapel, Amir. (2018). "Juvenile Justice Facilities and Reintegration Centers." New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee.

McIntyre, Travis, Chapel, Amir, Edwards, Theresa. (2018). "Corrections Department: Status of Programs to Reduce Recidivism and Oversight of Medical Services." New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee.

Courtney, Jon, McIntyre, Travis, Chapel, Amir. (2018). "Review of the Criminal Justice System in Bernalillo County." New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee.

Felmley, Jenny, Chapel, Amir. (2018). "Behavioral Health Services for Medicaid Expansion Adults." New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee.

Chapel, Amir (2017). "Campus Crime: Sexual Victimization and How We Can Mitigate It." Masters Thesis-Demonstration Project. University of Cincinnati.

Freeman, Linda, Ortiz Tony, Chapel, Amir. (2017). "New Mexico Prison Population Forecast: FY2018 – FY2027." New Mexico Sentencing Commission. University of New Mexico.

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Cannon, Yael, Davis, George, His, Andrew, Bochte, Alexandra, Freeman, Linda, Chapel, Amir. (2016). "Adverse Childhood Experiences in the New Mexico Juvenile Justice Population." UNM Law School, UNM Hospitals, New Mexico Sentencing Commission.

Denman, Kristine, Thomas, Karin, Chapel, Amir. (2015). "New Mexico Recovery Academy Evaluation Study." New Mexico Sentencing Commission.

Freeman, Linda, Chapel, Amir. (2014). "Valencia County Detention Center." New Mexico Sentencing Commission.

Ortiz, Tony, Chapel, Amir. (2014). "Information for the Justice Reform Effort in New Mexico." New Mexico Sentencing Commission.

Freeman, Linda, Chapel, Amir. (2013). "Reasons for Probation Violation Arrests and Bookings in a Sample of New Mexico's County Detention Facilities." New Mexico Sentencing Commission

Freeman, Linda, Adams, Alex, Chapel, Amir. (2013). "Effect of Mental Health Diagnoses on Length of Stay in Two New Mexico Detention Facilities." New Mexico Sentencing Commission.

Freeman, Linda, Chapel, Amir, Malan, Matthew. (2013). "Effect of Competency and Diagnostic Evaluation on Length of Stay in a Sample of New Mexico Detention Facilities." New Mexico

2016 “Estimated Number of Offender in New Mexico Corrections Department Facilities in October Eligible for Controlled Release.” Invited by the New Mexico Corrections Department. September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

2016 “Adverse Childhood Experiences in the New Mexico Juvenile Justice Population.” Invited by the Children Youth and Families Department: Juvenile Justice Services. April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

2014 “Information for the Justice Reform Effort in New Mexico.” Invited by the Senate Judiciary Committee. May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014.