

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules  
DATE: January 27, 2025  
BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst  
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



## JUVENILE JUSTICE POLICY COMMISSION

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The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Juvenile Justice Policy Commission, subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### Reappointees

K.O. Berger of Keizer  
Mary Geelan of Milwaukie

### Terms

Both appointees: January 2, 2025 – January 1, 2029

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 419A.289 \(2023\)](#)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The commission consists of 17 members:

- one representative of the Oregon Youth Authority (O'LEARY);
- one representative of the Department of Human Services (**GEELAN**);
- one representative of the Department of Education (DETMAN);
- two directors of county juvenile departments (ARMSTRONG-ROMERO, ROGERS);
- one representative of the office of public defense services with experience in juvenile delinquency (**BERGER**);
- one representative of the Oregon District Attorney's Association with experience prosecuting juvenile delinquency (MURPHY);
- one representative of a youth advocacy organization (WILLIAMS);
- one representative of a victim advocacy organization (BREWER);
- one person who is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon (VACANT);
- two public members:
  - one with experience with the juvenile justice system as a youth (ROJO);
  - and

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 419.289 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

- one with experience as family member of a youth in the juvenile justice system (DAVALA);
- two senators, each of different political parties, appointed by the President of the Senate, ex officio, nonvoting (VACANT, VACANT);
- two representatives, each of different political parties, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives (ANDERSON, CONRAD); and
- one representative of the Judicial Department, appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (VACANT).

Non-legislative members serve four-year terms; legislators serve either four-year terms, or until the end of their legislative term—whichever comes first. Members are eligible for reappointment but may serve only two consecutive terms. Non-state employees and legislators receive per diem. The Governor selects the chair, who serves as chair for one year. The voting members select the vice chair.

### **Duties<sup>4</sup>**

The Commission is established within the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to provide data-driven policy recommendations to strengthen public safety and improve youth outcomes in the juvenile justice system. It must provide a report to the Legislative Assembly by September 1 of each even-numbered year. The Commission shall oversee and examine

- key drivers of system involvement and opportunities for improved diversion and restorative justice;
- drivers of detention and residential placement and any available or needed alternatives;
- policies and practices of assessment, court process, community supervisions and reentry;
- service delivery for youth under supervision, with evaluation of whether resources are used efficiently and whether collaboration is effective;
- racial, ethnic, and other disparities among youth impacted by the system;
- efficiency and effectiveness of state and county quality assurance, data collection, and reporting and oversight systems;
- opportunities for better alignment with constitutional mandates, local and national best practices and research;
- public safety within the context of personal responsibility, accountability, and reformation; and
- victim rights.

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<sup>4</sup> [ORS 419A.289 through 419A.292 \(2023\)](#).



## Juvenile Justice Policy Commission

Agency: **Criminal Justice Commission**

Authorization: **ORS 419A.289**

Min Members: **0** Max Members: **17**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Public Safety**

Board Admin: **Ken Sanchagrin**

Address:

**Ken.SANCHAGRIN@cjc.oregon.gov**

## Current Appointments

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### **Director O'Leary, Joseph A**

Oregon Youth Authority Rep

Position Number: **1**

Term(s):

**2/16/2024 - 1/1/2026**

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### **Geelan, Mary**

ODHS Rep

Position Number: **2**

Term(s):

**1/2/2025 - 1/1/2029**

**2/16/2024 - 1/1/2025**

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### **Detman, Brian**

ODE Rep

Position Number: **3**

Term(s):

**1/2/2025 - 1/1/2028**

**10/1/2024 - 1/1/2025**

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### **Armstrong-Romero, Kyla**

County Juvenile Department Director

Position Number: **4**

Term(s):

**2/16/2024 - 1/1/2026**

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### **Ms Rogers, Molly A**

County Juvenile Department Director

Position Number: **5**

Term(s):

**2/16/2024 - 1/1/2026**

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### **Osborne-Berger, Katherine "K.O."**

Office of Public Defense Rep

Position Number: **6**

Term(s):

**1/2/2025 - 1/1/2029**

**2/16/2024 - 1/1/2025**

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### **Murphy, Brendan**

Oregon District Attorneys Association Rep

Position Number: **7**

Term(s):

**2/16/2024 - 1/1/2026**

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### **Williams, Lisa Kay**

Youth Advocacy Org Rep

Position Number: **8**

Term(s):

**2/16/2024 - 1/1/2027**

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### **Brewer, Rosemary**

Victim Advocacy Org Rep

Position Number: **9**

Term(s):

**10/1/2024 - 1/1/2027**

<b>Rojo, Pablo</b>	Term(s):	<b>2/16/2024 - 1/1/2027</b>
Public Member w/ experience as Youth in Juvenile System		
Position Number: <b>11</b>		
<b>Davala, Laurie</b>	Term(s):	<b>2/16/2024 - 1/1/2027</b>
Public Member w/ experience as family of youth in juvenile system		
Position Number: <b>12</b>		
<b>Representative Conrad, Charlie</b>	Term(s):	-
Representative		
Position Number: <b>15</b>		
<b>Representative Andersen, Tom</b>	Term(s):	-
Representative		
Position Number: <b>16</b>		

## Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
10	<i>No prior appointments</i>			
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
13	<i>No prior appointments</i>			
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
14	<i>No prior appointments</i>			
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
17	<i>No prior appointments</i>			