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Jay Jordan is executive director of Californians for Safety and Justice. He was a lead organizer for the Ban the Box Campaign for Los Angeles and co-founder of Faith in Action, a group of crime survivors in LA's Westmont area working to transform their community through an asset-based community development strategy. As a troubled youth who served time in prison, he felt compelled to create a nonprofit focused on teen diversion and civic engagement, The First50, which in its first year saw 100 percent high school graduation and college enrollment. As special projects manager for the California Applications Research Group in Stockton, he spearheaded the launch of a widely successful anti-graffiti mobile app, and established a call center that influenced successful political and social campaigns across the West coast. In addition, he has served as co-chair of San Joaquin County's Boys and Men of Color Alliance Juvenile Justice Committee and on the board of the African-American Chamber of Commerce of San Joaquin. He has been widely recognized for his organizing talents, earning the American Red Cross 2014 Hero of the Year award, the Literacy Foundation's Innovative Library Concept award, and a Special Congressional Recognition for Outstanding Youth Program.

Sydney Kamlager represents the 54th Assembly District, encompassing Baldwin Hills, the Crenshaw community, all of Culver City, Ladera Heights, Leimert Park, Mar Vista, Mid-City Los Angeles, Palms, Pico-Union, Westwood and Windsor Hills. In 2019, she guided six of her eight bills to the Governor's desk, all of which were signed into law. Most notable were AB 241 and AB 242, incorporating implicit bias training into continued education for healthcare and legal professionals, respectively. As chair of the Select Committee on Incarcerated Women, she is focused on reviewing and reforming policies to support the health, dignity and rehabilitation of women in prison. She also serves on the Penal Code Revision Committee, which studies and recommends ways to simplify and rationalize the substance and procedure of criminal law in California. She also sits on the Assembly Public Safety Committee. She earned a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Southern California and a Master's degree in arts management and public policy from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh.

Magnus Lofstrom is policy director of criminal justice and a senior fellow at PPIC, and a visiting professor at the Goldman School of Public Policy at the University of California, Berkeley. Focusing on crime rates and recidivism, his recent work examines criminal justice reforms in California. His research also spans issues in immigration, education, and entrepreneurship. His research has been published in numerous academic books and journals, including *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Demography*, *Criminology & Public Policy*, and *Journal of Population Economics*. He serves on the editorial board of *Industrial Relations* and was a member of then-California State Controller John Chiang's Council of Economic Advisors. Prior to joining PPIC, he was a faculty member at the University of Texas at Dallas and the University of California, Irvine. He received his PhD in economics from the University of California, San Diego.

Brandon Martin is a research associate at the Public Policy Institute of California. He studies criminal justice and public safety, with recent work examining the need for jail construction in California and the changes in state and local correctional populations. He has previous research experience in the area of legislative committees, including legislative and oversight responsibilities and the electoral considerations of committee assignments. He holds an MA in political science from the University of California, Davis and a BA in political science from Michigan State University.

David Robinson is sheriff of Kings County. He has 25 years in law enforcement and is in his third term in office. He joined the Kings County Sheriff's Office in 1995 as a correctional officer. He has held positions as detective, senior deputy, sergeant, SWAT team leader, and multi-agency gang task force investigator and supervisor. Before being elected sheriff in 2010, he worked as a district attorney investigator, assigned to the three state prisons in Kings County. He is dedicated to excellence in law

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enforcement and correctional law enforcement services. He is a Governor's appointee on the Interstate Commission for Adults and Juveniles and co-chair of the Racial and Identity Profiling Advisory Board. He also represents the State Sheriff's Association on the HEMP Advisory Board and the current president of the California State Sheriff's Association. He has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice management.