



Remembrance

We honor and remember Davis Martinez, 33, a veteran parole and probation agent with the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. Agent Martinez was allegedly killed by a client on May 31, 2024, while conducting a home visit in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

Probation and Parole Director Martha Danner described Agent Martinez as "a thorough and caring agent who sought to help clients improve their lives."

NAPE pays tribute to Agent Martinez and joins the department, our professional colleagues, and those who have benefitted from his work in mourning this tragic loss.

Accomplishments

It's amazing to think that it has only been two years since the announcement of new officers and directors. A new president and board will begin their terms on July 1. The new leadership includes experienced board members as well as new members, ensuring the continued vibrancy of the association and bringing in fresh perspectives.

As we look to the future, we should also pause to reflect on the path we've traveled. As executives, our role entails continual advancement and managing challenges. It is important to take the time to review our journey, celebrate our accomplishments, and acknowledge the victories we've achieved.

The board and its advisors guided NAPE through a process of reassessment, refocusing on our primary mission of promoting the professional development of community corrections executives and making meaningful contributions to the field. Board members enthusiastically and dedicatedly served, willing to step up and represent NAPE in various ways. They are all exemplary professionals who are committed to advancing our profession.

During this time, NAPE supported numerous learning opportunities, including a monthly e-letter, presentations at national conferences, and member webinars. We have also supported research on the impact of probation fees on agency budgets in partnership with the National Institute of Corrections and the University of Utah Criminal Justice Research Center.

NAPE also experienced its own leadership change. Christie Davidson, who successfully guided and led the association as executive director for many years, was recently named the new executive director of the Correctional Management Institute of Texas (CMIT). Vanessa Farmer, from CMIT, was subsequently appointed as Secretariat.

While NAPE searches for a new executive director, I am pleased to announce that Ray Wahl will serve in the interim. Ray is a well-known executive who retired as the Utah Deputy State Court Administrator. He was also the former Utah Juvenile Court administrator and Utah Director of Adult Probation and Parole. In 2019, Ray received the NAPE Dan Richard Beto Award. Ray has been an advisor on the NAPE Board for the last two years alongside Rocco Pozzi and Francine Perretta. Their deep roots in the association ensured that NAPE flourished.

With my time as NAPE board president coming to an end, I am humbled by the opportunity the role has provided me. I'm also grateful for the professional connections I've made and the knowledge I've gained through my NAPE involvement.

Thank you, all, for the privilege of leading the NAPE Board. I exit the role with every confidence that the new officers and directors will continue to advance the mission and expand the network of executives.

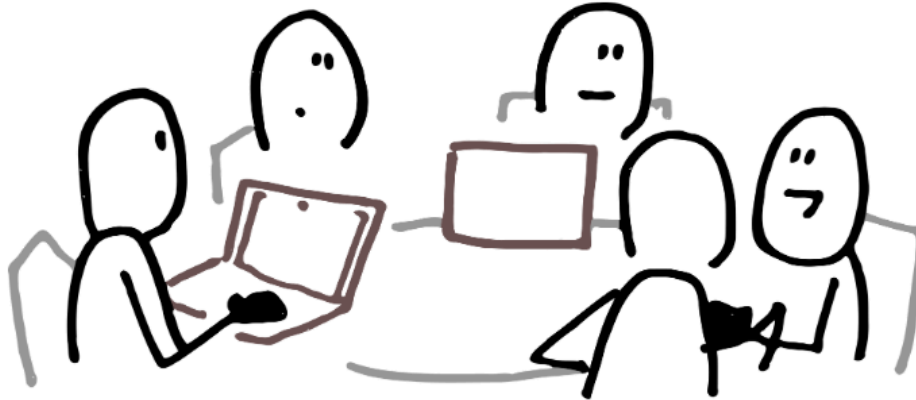


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President, NAPE

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BOARD UPDATES

2024-2026 Officers and Board of Directors

Congratulations to the new NAPE Board. The 12-member board is comprised of executives from around the nation. Their term officially starts July 1.

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[Dr. Carmen Gomez](#), Massachusetts

[Brian Ford](#), California

NAPE Activities in Indiana

Join NAPE at the American Probation and Parole Association's Annual Institute in Indianapolis from June 28 to July 1, 2024. The following NAPE activities are scheduled for Sunday, June 30.

NAPE Board of Directors Meeting

9:00 am to 10:30 am, Room 206

Workshop: A National Study on the Impact of Supervision Fees on Adult Probation Agency Budgets and Operations

11:00 am to 12:00 pm, Room 302

NAPE Awards and Reception (Members Only)

12:00 pm to 1:30 pm, Griffin Hall, 2nd Floor

We invite members to share information about NAPE with other community supervision executives to help expand our network and strengthen our opportunities, data, and expertise. Affordable annual NAPE membership options are available and can be purchased/renewed at napehome.org

- Individual (recurring discount available)
- Retired
- Organizational
- Corporate

NAPE is dedicated to enhancing the professionalism and effectiveness in the field of community corrections by creating a national network for executives, bringing about positive change in the field, and making available a pool of experts in community corrections management, program development, training, and research.

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