

Problem Solving Courts and Therapeutic Jurisprudence: The Power of Courts to Heal

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Judge Ginger Lerner-Wren

Judge Ginger Lerner-Wren was elected Broward County Court Judge, (17th Judicial Circuit, Florida) in 1997; where she pioneered America's first specialized Mental Health Court; dedicated to the decriminalization and diversion of persons arrested with mental illness, and neuro-cognitive disorders, from a dignity (human rights) and recovery framework. The Court is a national and global model; and has diverted over 23,000 women and men out of Broward County's jail. Special Recognitions and Awards include:

- Court was, **National Model for Congressional Legislation**, piloting 100 Mental Health Courts in the U.S. (2000).
- Presidential Appointment by President George W. Bush to serve on **The President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health**. (2002).
- Top Finalist, **2013 "Innovating Justice Awards"** by **The Hague International Institute for Innovation of Law Foundation** (HIIIL Foundation), The Hague, The Netherlands,
- **Excellence in Advocacy Award for Elected Service, National Center for Behavioral Health**, (2015).
- Judge Wren is a Professor at Nova Southeastern University (NSU) College of Psychology and Neuroscience, and NSU Criminal Justice Institute.

She is an Author, *A Court of Refuge: Stories from the Bench of America's First Mental Health Court*; Beacon Press, 2018. Judge Wren is a national and global speaker on mental health & criminal justice, problem-solving Justice, therapeutic jurisprudence, trauma informed courts, and leading cultural change.

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Learning Objectives: *As a result of participating in this Live Activity, participants should be able to:*

1. Understand the factors leading to the trend known as the criminalization of persons with mental illness.
2. Provide an overview of problem-solving court innovation in the U.S. based on the case-study of The Broward County's Mental Health Court, 17th Judicial Circuit, State of Florida.
3. Be able to identify the goals, mission, and values of Broward's Mental Health Court; and the application of the social science of therapeutic jurisprudence

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