Charles R. See

Retired Executive Director, Community Re-Entry Program Cleveland, Ohio

Mr. Charles R. See is the former Vice President of the Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry in Cleveland, Ohio and was the Executive Director of the Ministry's Community Re-Entry Program. He was a member of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice and the past Vice President of the Cleveland chapter of the national organization.

Mr. See has been involved in providing community-based corrections programs for youth and adults for more than 44 years. In 1985 he was awarded the Cleveland Bar Association's prestigious Liberty Bell Award for his outstanding accomplishments in the field of criminal justice. In 1997 See was selected by the Citizens' League as one of 100 outstanding citizens for his contributions to the government and civic life of Greater Cleveland over the last century.

His former program, Community Re-Entry, won several national awards including a gold medal from the National Peace and Justice Foundation in Atlanta, Georgia in 1986 and that same year Community Re-Entry was selected by the National Police Foundation as one of America's 18 outstanding community-based anti-crime programs.

Mr. See was appointed by Ohio's Governor to serve on Ohio's Select Committee On Prisons following the historic Lucasville state prison riot. He is the former Chairman of the Prison Committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Cleveland and Ohio State Branch. Mr. See was a member of the Ohio State Sentencing Committee which revamped Ohio's sentencing procedures for felony and misdemeanor offenders.

Mr. See is a Cultural Mitigation Expert for capital cases involving African Americans and has coauthored a book, African-American Perspectives On: Crime Causation, Criminal Justice Administration and Crime Prevention. He was appointed by Cleveland's Mayor to sit on Cleveland's Black-on-Black Crime Task Force, and by appointment of the Mayor, served on Cleveland's Citizens Committee to guide a study which revamped many policies and procedures of Cleveland's Police Department.

Mr. See currently serves as the Director of Community Engagement for the Cleveland Police Monitoring Team, which oversees the implementation of Cleveland Police Department's Consent Decree.

Mr. See has appeared on national television and radio programs and has lectured before national audiences.