Victim Offender Mediation Association (VOMA) Regional Training Announcement

Restorative Justice—Voices of Cultural and International Differences

While we all embrace a common set of Restorative Justice principles, we know that they play out in many ways as they are practiced in different countries and different cultures. VOMA invites you to join three of its board members to learn about RJ challenges and opportunities in the countries and communities they serve and to engage in a dialogue about your experiences and thoughts about RJ and diversity. Barbara Raye will facilitate the panel, which includes:

Bobbbie Boland, Torbay, Newfoundland—Bobbie is involved in Canadian RJ activities and specializes in gender analyses.

Dale Landry, Tallahassee, Florida—Dale has lived in Germany and is very involved in the African American community in Florida. He has also just attended the 2nd International Conference for Minorities in ADR.

Cornel Loghin, Iasi, Romania—Cornel helped establish the first mediation degree program in Romania and brings perspectives of RJ from the EU and a former Communist state.

Barbara Raye, Minneapolis, Minnesota—Barbara Raye is executive director of VOMA and the Center for Policy, Planning, and Performance. She has done extensive training on cultural, racial, and gender equity and cross-cultural communication as well as taught at the graduate level.

Training Details

When: Thursday, June 9, 2005
1:30 to 4:30 PM

Where: Loring Park Community Arts Center
1382 Willow Street, Minneapolis 55403
612-370-4929
(For directions, see Loring Park web page at www.minneapolisparks.org)

Fee: $30 (Scholarships are available. Contact Carol at e-mail address below.)

Registration: Pre-registration is not required, however, we encourage you to do so.

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