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2023 LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT

SAFEGUARDING PUBLIC SERVANTS (CLE)

TUESDAY, AUG. 14 | 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

INDIANA CONVENTION CENTER ROOM 137-139

Session Description: Threats to the safety of people who serve the public have increased exponentially, with federal judges, election officials and officeholders facing unprecedented hostility. Join us to hear about actions to safeguard the well-being of officials and their loved ones.

Agenda:

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| 1:30 – 1:45 | District Judge Esther Salas, U.S. District of New Jersey |
| 1:45 – 2:00 | Neal Kelly, Committee for Safe and Secure Elections |
| 2:00 – 2:30 | Susan Frederick, NCSL and time for questions from attendees |

Biographies

Neal Kelley

Chairman

Committee for Safe and Secure Elections

Neal Kelley is the retired Registrar of Voters for Orange County, California, serving from 2005 to 2022. Prior to joining Orange County, Kelley developed and grew several companies of his own and worked as an adjunct professor with Riverside Community College. He also served as a police officer in Southern California during the mid 1980's. Kelley earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business and management from the University of Redlands and an M.B.A. from the University of Southern California.

Judge Esther Salas*

U.S. District Judge

District of New Jersey

Judge Esther Salas is a U.S. district judge in the District of New Jersey. She has previously worked as a magistrate judge in the same court, in private practice and as a federal public defender. She has presided over complex civil and criminal cases and co-founded the District of New Jersey Pretrial Opportunity Program, which provides judicial intervention for criminal

defendants suffering from addiction. Judge Salas is a loving wife to her husband, Mark Anderl, and the proud mother of her late son, Daniel Mark Anderl, who offered his life as an act of love when a disgruntled lawyer targeted Judge Salas because of her position. Since Daniel's murder, Judge Salas has made it her mission to ensure greater protections for judges.

Susan Frederick*

Senior Federal Affairs Counsel

National Conference of State Legislatures

As NCSL's senior federal affairs counsel, Susan Parnas Frederick advocates for states before Congress and the administration on criminal and civil justice, cybersecurity, elections and immigration enforcement issues. Parnas Frederick has over 20 years of experience at NCSL and previously served as a local government attorney and prosecutor in Herndon, Va. She received her bachelor's from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville and her law degree from the American University Washington College of Law in Washington, D.C.

*Denotes the speaker is an attorney

