

Media Advisory

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Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Bridget Mary McCormack to speak at Safe & Just Michigan annual meeting

LANSING — Safe & Just Michigan, a Lansing-based nonprofit working to advance policies that end the over-reliance on incarceration and to promote safer communities, will present Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice **Bridget Mary McCormack** with the Gov. William G. Milliken Award during its annual meeting to be held **Thursday, Oct. 13 at 6 p.m. at the Lansing Radisson Hotel**. Her award presentation and speech will take place around 6:15 p.m. The award, honoring an elected official in Michigan who has made a significant contribution to criminal justice reform, will be given to Justice McCormack because of her work as co-chair of the Michigan Joint Task Force on Jail and Pretrial Incarceration and her vocal support for the Clean Slate expungement package that was signed into law last year.

The meeting will also highlight the importance of second chance hiring, which is the practice of hiring people who have a criminal record. Author **Jeffrey Korzenik**, the evening's featured speaker who wrote "Untapped Talent: How Second Chance Hiring Works for Your Business and the Community," will show that hiring people with a record isn't just a charitable thing to do, but that it makes good business sense.

WHO: The Hon. **Bridget Mary McCormack**, Michigan Chief Justice
Author **Jeffrey Korzenik**

WHAT: Safe & Just Michigan 2021 Annual Meeting

WHERE: Lansing Radisson Hotel Ballroom, 2nd Floor
111 N. Grand Ave., Lansing

WHEN: **Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021**

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Safe & Just Michigan (www.safeandjustmi.org) works to advance policies that end Michigan's over-use of incarceration and promote community safety and healing. We partner with Michigan organizations and leaders from across the political spectrum, including business and community leaders, faith communities, crime survivor organizations, formerly incarcerated individuals, prisoners and their families, as well as Michigan taxpayers statewide.