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### EDUCATION

- 2018            Ph.D., School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany
- 2011            M.A., School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany
- 2009            B.A., Department of Criminology, Law and Society, University of California,  
Irvine

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Indigent defense, legal reform and evaluation, procedural justice, local court culture and politics, juvenile justice, youth street gangs, criminal justice processes, qualitative and case study methodologies

### PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Worden, A. P., Shteynberg, R. V., **Morgan, K. A.**, and Davies, A. L. B. (2020). The impact of counsel at first appearance on pretrial release in felony arraignments: The case of rural jurisdictions. *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 1-24. doi10.1177/0887403419873018

Worden, A. P., **Morgan, K. A.**, Shteynberg, R. V., and Davies A. L. B. (2018). “What difference does a lawyer make? The effect of counsel at first appearance on bail decisions and outcomes in misdemeanor courts.” *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 29(6-7), 710-735. DOI: 10.1177/0887403417726133

Worden, A. P., Davies A. L. B., Shteynberg, R.V., **Morgan, K. A.** (2017). Court reform: Why simple solutions might not fail: A case study of implementation of counsel at first appearance.” *14 Ohio St. J. Crim. L.* 521.

Peterson, D. and **Morgan, K. A.** (2014). Sex differences and the overlap in youths' risk factors for onset of violence and gang involvement. *Journal of Crime & Justice* (37), 1: 129-154. DOI: 10.1080/0735648X.2013.830393

Fader, J., Kurlychek, M., and **Morgan, K. A.** (2014). Dispositional decision-making for residential placement. *Social Science Research* (44), 126-140. DOI: 10.1016/j.ssresearch.2013.11.006.

## OTHER SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Worden, A. P., Davies A. L. B., Shteynberg, R.V., **Morgan, K. A.** (2020). Early intervention by counsel: A multi-site evaluation of the presence of counsel at defendants' first appearances in court. *Final Summary Report for National Institute of Justice Grant 2014-IJ-CX0027*. Washington, D.C.: National Criminal Justice Reference Service.

**Morgan, K. A.** (2019). Judicial waiver and adultification of youth. In B. Crank and C. Marcum (Eds.). *Controversial issues in criminal justice: An active learning approach*. Cognella Publishing.

Davies, A. L. B., and **Morgan, K. A.** (2019). Providing counsel for defendants: Access, quality, and impact. In A. Smith and S. Maddan (Eds.). *The lower criminal courts*. Routledge.

**Morgan, K.A.**, Shteynberg, R. V., Ackerman, R., and Lee, C. G. (2018). *Incorporating client perspectives into indigent defense research: A guide for practitioners*. Washington, D.C.: National Legal Aid and Defenders Association.

Worden, A. P., Shteynberg, R. V., **Morgan, K. A.**, and Davies, A. L. B. (Fall 2017). "Beyond the city limits: Evaluating court reforms in rural and small-town courts." *Translational Criminology*, 13, 10-12.

**Morgan, K. A.** and Shelley, W. W. (2014). Juvenile street gangs. In *The Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*, edited by Jay S. Albanese. Wiley-Blackwell.

Peterson, D. and **Morgan, K. A.** (2011). Toward an understanding of youth gang involvement: Implications for schools. Chapter in *The Handbook of School Violence and School Safety: International Research and Practice, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.*, edited by Shane R. Jimerson, Amanda B. Nickerson, Matthew J. Mayer, & Michael J. Furlong. New York: Routledge.

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

**Morgan, K. A.** "Process as punishment: Relationship of perceived processes to perceived outcomes." Under review at *Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society (CCJLS)*

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER PREPARATION

**Morgan, K. A.** Interdisciplinary Teaching in a Multidisciplinary Department: A Discussion of Challenges and Successes in Designing Two Courses for Graduate and Undergraduate Students

**Morgan, K. A.**, & Shteynberg, R. V. Courts and Covid: A Year of Changes.

Shteynberg, R. V., **Morgan, K. A.** Assessing the Impact of Various Work From Home Provisions on Attorney Work-Life Balance.

**Morgan, K. A.** North Carolina's Law Enforcement and Juvenile Justice: A Survey.

**Morgan, K. A.,** & Williams, M. Assessing the impact of assigned counsel fee reductions on attorneys and clients in North Carolina.

## EMPLOYMENT

Jul 2018-present	Assistant Professor, Department of Government and Justice Studies Appalachian State University
Aug 2017-Jun 2018	Instructor, Department of Government and Justice Studies Appalachian State University
Jan 2015-Aug 2017	Senior Research Assistant Counsel at First Appearance (CAFA) Project, supported by the National Institute of Justice PI Dr. Alissa Pollitz Worden & Co-PI Dr. Andrew Davies
Aug 2013 – Dec 2014	Graduate Research Assistant, Juvenile Justice Unit New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services
May 2013 – Aug 2013	Research Assistant for Dr. Andrew Davies, Director of Research New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services
May 2012 – Jul 2012	Interviewer Peer Group Study (G.R.E.A.T. Evaluation), supported by the National Institute of Justice PI Dr. Finn-Aage Esbensen
May 2010 – Sep 2010	Research Assistant for juvenile risk assessment project New York State Office of Children and Family Services
Sep 2009 – Jun 2010	Research Assistant for Dr. Dana Peterson School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany
Jan 2008 – Jun 2008	Research Assistant for Dr. Cheryl Maxson Department of Criminology, Law and Society, UC Irvine

## CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 **Morgan, K. A.** and Shteynberg, R. V. “Courts and Covid: An Evaluation of the Impact of the Pandemic on American Courts.” Accepted at the Western Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Honolulu, HI
- 2021 **Morgan, K. A.** and Shteynberg, R. V. “Courts and Covid: An Evaluation of the Impact of the Pandemic on American Courts.” Accepted at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL
- 2020 Worden, A. P., **Morgan, K. A.**, and Shteynberg, R. V. “Early intervention by counsel: A multi-site evaluation of the presence of counsel at defendants’ first appearances in court.” Accepted at the cancelled American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Washington, D.C.
- 2019 **Morgan, K. A.** and Williams, M. “North Carolina Assigned Counsel Fee Reduction: Impact on Caseloads, Attorney Pay, and Case Outcomes.” Presented at the British Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Lincoln, UK.
- 2018 **Morgan, K. A.** and Williams, M. “Patterns in Assigned Counsel Attorney Payments and Misdemeanor Case Outcomes in North Carolina.” Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Atlanta, GA.
- 2018 Worden, A. P., Davies, A. L. B., Shteynberg, R. V., and **Morgan, K. A.** “Providing Counsel at First Appearance: What it Takes, and What Difference it Makes.” Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Atlanta, GA.
- 2017 **Morgan, K. A.** “Quality Representation from the client perspective: Impact on perceptions of process and outcome fairness.” Presented at American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 Worden, A. P., **Morgan, K. A.**, Shteynberg, R. V., and Davies, A. L. B. “What Difference Does a Lawyer Make? The Effect of Counsel at Arraignment on Detention and Bail Decisions in Misdemeanor Courts.” Presented at the March 2017 meeting of the Misdemeanor Justice Project, sponsored by the Laura and John Arnold Foundation, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.
- 2016 **Morgan, K. A.** “Gang Members as Defendants: The Importance of Procedural Justice.” Presented at American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: New Orleans, LA.
- 2016 Worden, A. P., Davies, A. L. B., **Morgan, K. A.**, and Shteynberg, R. V. “The Impact of Counsel at First Appearance in Six Upstate New York Counties.” Presented at American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: New Orleans, LA.
- 2016 **Morgan, K. A.** and Shteynberg, R. V. “A Graduate Student’s Guide to Getting Involved in Indigent Defense Research.” Invited webinar presentation by the National Legal Aid and Defender Association.

- 2016 Invited participant in the Defender Research Consortium. Organized by the National Legal Aid and Defender Association and funded by Open Society Foundations: Detroit, MI.
- 2015 Invited participant in the Defender Research Consortium. Organized by the National Legal Aid and Defender Association and funded by Open Society Foundations: Baltimore, MD.
- 2015 **Morgan, K. A.** “Perceptions of Justice: Comparing Gang and Non-Gang Involved Defendants.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Washington, D.C.
- 2015 Worden, A. P., Davies, A. L. B., **Morgan, K. A.**, and Shteynberg, R. V. “The CAFA Project: Preliminary Findings from the Evaluation of Counsel at First Appearance.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Washington, D.C.
- 2015 **Morgan, K. A.**, Davies, A. L. B., and Worden, A. P. “Providing Counsel at First Appearance in a Semi-Rural County: Updated Results.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Washington, D.C.
- 2015 “Examining Attorneys and Their Work.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Washington, D.C. (Session Chair and Discussant)
- 2014 **Morgan, K. A.**, Davies, A. L. B., and Worden, A. P. “Providing Counsel at First Appearance in a Semi-Rural County.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: San Francisco, CA. (with Andrew Davies and Alissa Pollitz Worden)
- 2014 “Legal Services for the Indigent – The Defense of Mentally Disordered Persons Accused of Crimes.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: San Francisco, CA. (Session Chair)
- 2013 Invited Participant in Eurogang XIII Workshop: Canterbury, United Kingdom
- 2013 **Morgan, K. A.** “Cumulative Exposure to Risk and Effects on Gang Involvement.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Atlanta, GA. (Poster)
- 2012 **Morgan, K. A.** “The Impact of Duration of Risk Exposure on Gang Involvement.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL. (Poster)
- 2011 **Morgan, K. A.** “Exposure to Risk: Examining the Impact of Risk Factors on Gang Involvement.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Washington, D.C.
- 2011 Peterson, D. and **Morgan, K. A.** “Sex Differences in Gang Risk Factors across Adolescence: Implications for Gang Prevention.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: Washington, D.C.

2010 Peterson, D. and **Morgan, K. A.** “Risky Business: Risk Factor Predictions of Girls’ and Boys’ Gang Involvement.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: San Francisco, CA.

## COMMUNITY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

May 2024	Invited presenter at the Climate in the Disciplines Course (Re)Design Institute
Apr 2024 – present	Member of Criminal Justice Faculty Search Committee, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies
Mar 2024	Invited QEP Advisory Council member for small group discussion with Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) reviewers
Mar 2024 – present	Appointed Member of Town of Boone Human Relations Commission
Feb 2024 – present	Member of the Appalachian State Quality Enhancement Plan: Pathways to Resilience Advisory Council
Sep 2023	Invited moderator for Appalachian Interchange Retreat
Jun 2023 – Aug 2023	Completed moderator training via Sustained Dialogue Institute
Sep 2022 – present	By-Laws Committee, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies
Sep 2022	Represented Dept. of Government and Justice Studies at Community College Transfer Day
Jul 2022 – Dec 2022	Member of Dissertation Committee for Jingyi Fei, doctoral student at University at Albany
Feb 2022 – present	Retained expert for <i>Guill v. Allen</i> , ACLU and Civil Rights Corporation
Nov 2021 – May 2021	Capstone Director for Ashley Tauscher, student in Appalachian State University MPA program
Aug 2021 – present	Grant application reviewer for National Science Foundation (NSF)
May 2020 – Nov 2020	Member of Criminal Justice Faculty Search Committee, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies

Jan 2020 – present	MPA Capstone Reader
Aug 2019 – present	Member of Watauga County Justice Coalition
Dec 2019 – Feb 2020	Member of Political Science Faculty Search Committee, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies
Aug 2018 – May 2019	Co-chair of New Faculty Handbook Committee, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies
Aug 2018 – Aug. 2019	Member of DPC, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies
Aug 2018 – Dec 2018	Member of Criminal Justice Faculty Search Committee, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies
Jan 2018 – Jun 2018	Member of Strategic Planning Committee, Dept. of Government and Justice Studies
Jan 2017 – present	Reviewer for <i>Law &amp; Society</i> , <i>Criminal Justice Policy Review</i> , <i>American Journal of Criminal Justice</i> , <i>Corrections: Policy, Practice, and Research</i> , <i>Journal of Criminal Justice Education</i> , and <i>Victims and Offenders</i>
Feb 2015	Invited Student Editor, <i>Albany Law Review</i> , Miscarriages of Justice Special Issue
Aug 2013 – May 2014	Member of Undergraduate Committee, Albany School of Criminal Justice
Aug 2013 – May 2014	Graduate Student Mentor, University at Albany Pre-Law Living & Learning Community
Aug 2012 – May 2013	President, Graduate Student Association, Albany School of Criminal Justice
Aug 2012 – May 2013	Graduate Student Mentor, University at Albany Pre-Law Living & Learning Community
Aug 2011 – May 2012	Treasurer, Graduate Student Association, Albany School of Criminal Justice
Aug 2011 – May 2012	Member of Graduate Committee, Albany School of Criminal Justice
Aug 2010 – May 2011	Treasurer, Graduate Student Association, Albany School of Criminal Justice

Aug 2009 – May 2010      1<sup>st</sup> Year Ph.D. Representative, Graduate Student Association,  
Albany School of Criminal Justice

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Oct 2022                      Nominated for Richard N. Henson Outstanding Advisor Award

Oct 2021                      Nominated for Richard N. Henson Outstanding Advisor Award

May 2016                      Recipient of Frank Remington Award for Excellence in Interdisciplinary  
Legal Studies, Albany School of Criminal Justice

Mar 2016                      Awarded Dissertation Grant by the Associated Doctoral Programs in  
Criminology and Criminal Justice

Jun 2009                      Dean’s Scholar for Excellence in Research, School of Social Ecology, UC  
Irvine

2009-current                Member Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

2009-current                Member Tau Sigma Honor Society, UC Irvine

Jun 2008                      Recipient of Excellence in Undergraduate Research Award in Honor of  
Gilbert Geis, Department of Criminology, Law, and Society, UC Irvine

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Society of Criminology  
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences  
Indigent Defense Research Association