

AGENDA
JTDC ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 4, 2026
LOCATION: 69 W. WASHINGTON, Conference Rm. F, 22nd fl.
TIME: 12 NOON TO 2 P.M.

If you plan on attending, please RSVP by Monday, March 2, to meadepalidofsky@gmail.com. PLEASE ARRIVE BY 11:45 A.M, SO WE MAY START ON TIME.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Approval of January 7, 2026 Board minutes
4. Presentation of work of the Ombudsperson Program at the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center by Karima Douglas, Director of State of Illinois Juvenile Ombudsperson Program. Joining Karima to discuss the program: Acting JTDC Superintendent William Steward and Deputy Executive Director of Resident Daily Life Jacqueline Ferroli.

Questions by JTDC Advisory Board Members and attendees

5. Update on Saura Center
6. New Business
7. Adjourn

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Speaker Biography:

Karima Douglas, Director of State of Illinois Juvenile Ombudsperson Program

Karima Douglas served as the Independent Ombudsperson for the State of Illinois' Department of Juvenile Justice, from July 2021 until 2025 when the program was expanded by law to include all of the Juvenile Detention Centers in Illinois. Karima has played a key part in ensuring accountability, fairness, and transparency within the state's juvenile justice system. Before this position, Karima served as Deputy Ombudsperson at the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice from August 2017 to July 2021, where she was responsible for overseeing and addressing issues related to the treatment of juveniles within the system.

Earlier in her career, Karima served as the Juvenile Justice Project Director at Illinois Collaboration on Youth from January 2013 to July 2017, where she led efforts to improve the juvenile justice landscape across Illinois. Karima's dedication to juvenile justice, legal expertise, and advocacy continues to shape her work in fostering positive reforms in the system.

Ms. Douglas received her J.D. from Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, 2012

Next JTDC Advisory Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 20, 12 to 2 p.m. Conf. Rm. F, County Building 69 W. Washington, 22nd fl.