

## Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls

### Agenda

January 14, 2021

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Online via Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/6895726626?pwd=aDdCTEpPSlkwa2pxd29VZDRqZStkQT09>

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- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Public Speak Out (15 min.)
- III. Approval of minutes from December 10, 2020
- IV. Chair Report
- V. Vice-Chair Report
- VI. Discussion with our featured guest, Ami Jackson, staff Criminal Defense Investigator for the Springfield Office of the Youth Advocacy Department.

HAMPDEN COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS PRESENTS:

# January Public Meeting

Thursday, January 14th  
6:00PM



**Featured Guest**  
**Ami Jackson**  
Criminal Defense Investigator  
Springfield Office of the Youth Advocacy Division

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VII. Old Business

- a. Collaboration with Hampshire-Franklin
  - i. Trivia Night idea - Michelle G.
- b. Coffee Chat Winter Events Updates
  - i. 1/19 - Michelle Goncalves, extended as a leadership event
  - ii. 1/27 - Lizzy Ortiz
  - iii. Gabrielle, Jen (Hampshire-Franklin) TBD

VIII. New Business

- a. Update: Swearing in of recommended Commissioner, Jacqueline Velez
- b. February 11th Featured Guest- Erika Slocumb
- c. March 11th Featured Guest - Michelle Equale
- d. April 8th Featured Guest - Dr. Neena Qasba (To be confirmed)
- e. Planning for International Women's Day

IX. Upcoming Statewide Events:

- a. **1/6/2021** 4:00pm - 5:00pm Budget and Personnel Committee Mtg  
<https://zoom.us/j/98654668479>
- b. **1/7/2021** 5:00pm-7:00pm Regional Commission Convening  
<https://zoom.us/j/91314461416?pwd=QW8vcEU1NHEweGZHVTF5bGkrQWVGdz09>
- c. **1/11/2021** 8:00am-9:30pm Legislative Committee Mtg  
<https://zoom.us/j/95199409244>
- d. **1/12/2021** 6:00pm - 7:00pm Program and Planning Committee Mtg  
<https://zoom.us/j/91453458116>
- e. **1/13/2021** 5:00pm – 6:00pm Girls Initiative Ad Hoc Mtg  
<https://zoom.us/j/93051636215>

X. Adjournment

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**ABOUT OUR JANUARY FEATURED GUEST:**



Ami R. Jackson is the staff Criminal Defense Investigator the Youth Advocacy Division. Ms. Jackson holds a B.S. in Criminal Justice and a Master of Public Administration from Westfield State University. Previously, she worked as an Academic Advisor for Upward Bound, a college preparation program for low-income, first-generation college-bound youth that is funded by the US Department of Education. Additionally, she has worked as a community activist, event coordinator, and outreach

worker with Arise for Social Justice W.I.S.E. Committee (Women In Support of Each Other), a grass roots low-income rights, anti-oppression membership organization in western Massachusetts. Its focus is to educate and support women and children who were/are homeless, drug addicted, incarcerated, in danger of incarceration, or returning to the community from a term of incarceration. Ms. Jackson was the 2019 recipient of the Committee for Public Counsel Services Maria Souto-Armand Goyette Investigator Award.