



PRESS RELEASE:

LAP Board of Directors Announces Executive Director: Diana Uchiyama, JD, PsyD

The Illinois Lawyers' Assistance Program (LAP) proudly announces that Diana Uchiyama, JD, PsyD has been named Executive Director by our Board of Directors. Diana possesses impressive experience as both a practicing attorney and a Clinical Psychologist. LAP is most fortunate to have Diana at the helm.

LAP Board President, Appellate Judge Mary K. O'Brien, said "Dr. Uchiyama was selected from a number of talented candidates because her qualifications as an attorney, psychologist, and program administrator demonstrated to our board that she will be successful in increasing the reach of LAP to every part of Illinois. We are looking forward to working with Dr. Uchiyama in her new role as Executive Director and offer her our sincere congratulations."

Dr. Uchiyama joined LAP in 2018 as a Clinical Associate and shortly thereafter earned her promotion to Assistant Deputy Director. Prior to joining LAP, Diana was the Administrator of Psychological Services for DuPage County where she oversaw a State licensed substance use treatment program, including a MISA program, and DHS Domestic Batterer Intervention Program for a court mandated population of clients. Dr. Uchiyama has also worked for the Kane County Diagnostic Center, as both a Staff Psychologist and Juvenile Drug Court Coordinator, and has an extensive background doing court ordered psychological, sanity, fitness, and sex offender evaluations and therapy. She has implemented numerous changes to court ordered programs both in Kane and DuPage County and is a certified trauma informed care trainer. Prior to obtaining her masters and doctorate in Clinical Psychology, Dr. Uchiyama was an Assistant Public Defender in Cook County working in various felony courtrooms. She obtained her law degree from Pepperdine University School of Law.

In response to the mounting and evolving needs of the legal community, LAP is launching into action and thrilled to have Dr. Uchiyama lead our mission to HELP, PROTECT, and EDUCATE the legal community about addiction, mental health and wellbeing.

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