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Friends and colleagues:

I am writing to let you know that after eight years at FJP, I will be moving on. Building this organization and its work has been an incredible journey and the opportunity of a lifetime. I have so valued the privilege of working with passionate individuals around the nation in our joint efforts to bring about long overdue reforms in the criminal legal system. Together, we sought to advance, support, and defend the important work of bold and inspiring elected prosecutors committed to propelling effective and more humane strategies, and to create a community where change agents could learn from each other, share innovations, and benefit from the best thinking in the field. No leader should have to battle alone for what are critical, but also often difficult, reforms of the status quo. FJP sought to make this vitally important job that much less lonely, and to be an anchor when inevitable attacks were advanced by some seeking to politicize sensible approaches to safer and healthier communities.

Much has been accomplished over these years. It has been heartening to see a table of 14 elected prosecutors FJP assembled in early 2017 grow to nearly 70 leaders nationwide – individuals I, and FJP, were privileged to have worked with. It has been encouraging to see a field where few were engaging with reform-minded elected prosecutors now expand to a multitude of capable individuals, groups and organizations advancing timely and impactful new ideas. And it has been inspiring to see innovative practices permeate the field of prosecution – including around post-conviction justice, responses to young people in the criminal legal system, smart strategies around drug policy and individuals struggling with mental health challenges or poverty, and so much more. Working together we have seen, in a relatively short period of time, a new normal emerge in the field and influence thinking beyond the FJP network.

As I approach my 65th birthday and prepare for the imminent arrival of a second grandchild, and with work that is now well-established and well-positioned to continue forward, I feel that this is a good time to move on, while also devoting more time to my family. I have greatly appreciated and will always cherish the opportunity to have come to know and work with talented leaders and advocates around the nation, and welcome the chance for our paths to cross into the future.

Please know how much I respect all that each of you has done to bend that elusive arc of the moral universe closer to justice. That work was never more critical and there is much we can look back on and celebrate, even as we continue to work to address ongoing injustices into the future.

Moving forward, please direct any emails relating to FJP to Amy Fettig at afettig@fairandjustprosecution.org and Robin Olsen at rolsen@fairandjustprosecution.org. You can reach me at krinsky.la.

With all my best wishes, Miriam With all my best wishes, Miriam