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Division on Women and Crime Nominations 1998

Chair Nominee:

Nicole Hahn Rafter

Professor of Criminal Justice

Northeastern University, College of Criminal Justice

Statement of Candidacy:

My work on behalf of the Division on Women and Crime goes back to prehistoric times, as I was one of the group who helped found the Division. Over the years I have served as the Division's Vice-President and as a member of its Executive Board. In addition, I was on the Editorial Board of *Women and Criminal Justice* from 1988-1995 and have published a number of articles in it. My other work for the DWC includes founding and co-chairing the Mentoring Program, Chairing the Awards Committee, membership on the Task Force on Sexual Harassment and the Nominations Committee, and chairing the Fellows Nominations Committee.

Outside the Division I have been active in feminist work both at my home institution where I am a long-term Executive Board member of the women's Studies Program, and in other grassroots and academic organizations concerned with women's issues. My research has often focused on gender issues, with my feminist work including *Judge, Lawyer, Victim, Thief: Women, Gender Roles, and Criminal Justice* (with Betsy Stanko, 1982); *Partial Justice: Women Prisons and Social Control* (1985, 1990); and *International Feminist Perspectives in Criminology: Engendering a Discipline* (with Frances Heidensohn, 1995). My most recent book, *Creating Born Criminals* (1997), applies a gender analysis to the history of biological theories of crime. Currently I am working on an encyclopedia of women and crime.

If elected Chair of the Division, I would encourage work currently underway while at the same time pursuing these projects: (1) making the Division more relevant to young women just entering the field; (2) documenting the history of the Division by establishing its archives; (3) renewing the push, which I initiated about 15 years ago, to educate all ASC members and Department of Justice personnel about the need for nonsexist language and for research samples that included both women and men.

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Message 2/4 From Sarah M. Hall

Mar 17, 98 05:57:35 pm -0500

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Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 17:57:35 -0500

Subject: DWC

Sender: "Sarah M. Hall" <[REDACTED]>

To: Nicole Rafter <nrafter@lynx.dac.neu.edu>

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Nicole:

In answer to your questions:

1) DWC officers are as follows:

Chair (2 years)

Vice Chair (2 years)

Secretary (2 years)

Executive Counselors (three, elected in alternating years) (2 year terms)

Term of office on each incoming officer will begin with the close of the Division's Annual Membership Meeting following their election.

Year one election will be held for Chair, Vice-Chair, and one (1)

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Executive Counselor. Year Two (or alternating year) elections will be held for Secretary and two (2) Executive Counselors.

The 1997 officers were:

Chris Rasche, Chair

Evelyn Gilbert, Vice Chair

Claire Renzetti, Secretary

Phoebe Stambaugh, Executive Counselor

Brenda Blackwell, Executive Counselor

Carolyn R. Block, Executive Counselor

The current 1998 officers would be:

Nicole Hahn Rafter, Chair

Evelyn Gilbert, Vice Chair

Claire Renzetti, Secretary

Carolyn R. Block, Executive Counselor

Susan Krumholz, Executive Counselor

Brenda Blackwell, Executive Counselor (I am not certain on

Brenda, but think her term ends this November. Chris Rasche

would know for certain).

- 2) I believe the offices open for election this year would be: Vice Chair, Executive Secretary and one Executive Counselor).
- 3) I have faxed you a copy of the amended constitution and also placed one in the mail.
- 4) As of 3/17/98 there are 210 current division members.
- 5) The division signed petitions in September-October 1981 to form the Division on Women and Crime. The proposed DWC constitution was presented to the ASC Executive Board for consideration on November 3, 1982 and was approved by the ASC Executive Board in November 1983.
- 6) Re setting up a DWC web page, I don't think there would be a problem as long as it is hooked up to ASC's website. Our website is handled by the University of Maryland -- BSOS.UMD.EDU/ASC. You might want to check with Sally Simpson at Maryland as she is handling any inquiries regarding the ASC website and we have a Maryland student who is updating our website weekly. Sally's telephone number is 301/405-4726 and her email address is ssimpson@bss2.umd.edu.
- 7) Re archiving the DWC material -- I have some of the early correspondence and information regarding the establishment of the DWC constitution and DWC newsletters. It was previously suggested by the Division that an archive be set up at Northeastern, but I do not think approval was given from the Board as yet on this matter. Re cubic feet, I could not tell you. I presently have the files in one drawer, but other items such as extra newsletters, curriculum guides, etc. are stored in our storeroom.
- 8) Anything you need duplicated for the Division can be sent to me and I can take care of it for you and charge the Division for the necessary postage, etc.
- 9) Current officers of the Division on People of Color and Crime are co-chairs: Julius Debro (University of Washington) and Ruth D. Peterson (Ohio State University). They have not yet had an election.

10) My email address is [REDACTED]

Sorry for the delay in responding to you. Hope this is the information you need.

Sarah



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Dear Dr. Rafter,

I am writing to ask if you would like to suggest people from the Division of Women and Crime to be members of A.S.C. committees in 1998-99. It would be helpful if you could say a few words about each person.

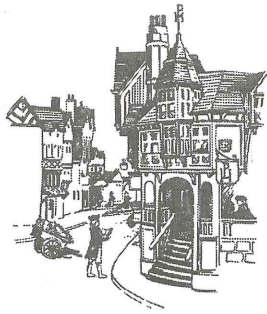
Yours sincerely,



David P. Farrington, Ph.D., F.B.A.,
Professor of Psychological Criminology

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May 1, 1998

Dear Prof. Rafter:

I was so disappointed to receive your letter indicating that the Division of Women & Crime of the American Society of Criminology will not consider any sort of relationship with **Women & Criminal Justice!**

Prof. Rafter, may I bother you for one favor:

If the Division does not wish to provide the journal as a membership benefit, Haworth will attempt to advertise heavily in your "Newsletter" and procure subscriptions independently. I need, however, a current sample copy and your rate sheet. I paid for a subscription for the "Newsletter" already, but it never came.

I leave with one last idea for your consideration: if the Division would allow Haworth to have a 1/2 page ad in each issue of the "Newsletter" at no charge, we would provide back to the Division a royalty on sales from subscriptions that come through from this channel.

But aside from the financial aspects, it was an editorial relationship that we wished very much to encourage. If there is truly no interest in this area on the part of the "Women & Crime" division, then I understand that there is no sense in pursuing this.

With thanks for your help,

Bill Cohen
Publisher

cc: Prof. Donna Hale, Editor, WOMEN & CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Kathy Rutz, VP, Special Projects

Bill Cohen, Publisher
The Haworth Press
10 Alice Street
Binghamton, New York 13904

Dear Mr. Cohen:

Thank you for your letter of 6 April 1998, inviting me to consider adopting the journal Women & Criminal Justice into the dues structure of the Division on Women & Crime of the American Society of Criminology.

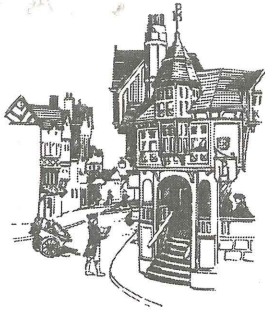
I have now had a chance to discuss your suggestion with various colleagues, and although I am sorry to disappoint you, I have to report that we have decided against the adoption at this time. We are determined to keep our dues low and are afraid we might lose members if we increased it by \$24.00.

However, I do want to thank you for your suggestion.

Sincerely,

Nicole Rafter
(Professor)

cc: Prof. Donna Hale



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-----express mail-----

April 6, 1998

Dear Dr. Rafter:

I am writing to you by way of introduction from Dr. Donna Hale, Editor of the quarterly journal Women & Criminal Justice. A sample copy of the journal is enclosed in case you have not seen it lately.

Dr. Rafter, Haworth has repeatedly implored the women's division of the American Society of Criminology to consider adopting the journal into the section's dues structure, and thus provide the journal as a membership benefit to attract new members to the special interest group and help retain existing members. The journal had previously had an individual rate of \$36.00; this will be raised to \$45.00 starting with Vol 10, #1.

I understand that your society has about 200 individual members. If the group adopted Women & Criminal Justice, we would provide a bulk rate subscription of \$24.00 per member. In addition, Haworth would include a membership procurement form in both the journal and in its direct mail advertising each year in both our criminal justice (n = 100,000 mailing pieces) and women's studies (n = 80,000 mailing pieces) per year. In addition, I believe Dr. Hale might be open to arranging an editorial liaison between the society and the journal, which might include:

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- an Associate Editor representing your group
- a separate Board of Editors further representing your group
- allotting several pages of the journal in each issue for the use of the society;

I must stress that these are my own suggestions and speculations; the final decision must be made by Dr. Hale.

Of all of the benefits of adoption, I could not stress enough the benefit of Haworth's membership marketing. I am not sure if a prospective member must also be a member of your parent organization. If not, the net membership gain would be even greater. Haworth would be reaching out through direct mail to such groups as:

- women's prison administrators, supervisors, job skill training programs;
- women probation & parole officers
- broad, general criminology society mailing lists
- women & crime academics from the disciplines of sociology, psychiatry, psychology & social work
- teachers of women & criminal justice in schools of criminal justice and programs in criminal justice
- foreign/overseas specialists in women & criminal justice
- authors of journal articles specifically dealing with women & criminal justice through a weekly computerized scan from the ISI data base (Institute for Scientific Information)

And lastly, the journal Women & Criminal Justice is slated to provide an electronic journal format in late 1998 available for a minor 10% - 15% surcharge for those who subscribe to the print version.

If you are interested in providing an adoption arrangement for the journal and your membership group, please contact Kathy Rutz, Vice President for Special Projects. It would be appreciated if you could carbon me. Kathy's home office address can be found in the enclosed "Guidebook for Haworth Press." With kind regards,

Bill Cohen
Publisher

cc: Kathy Rutz, Vice President for Special Projects
Sandy Jones Sickels, Vice President for Marketing

Date: Fri, 3 Jul 1998 16:55:28 -0400 (EDT)
From: Nicky Rafter <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>
To: Debbie Stanley [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: DWC 15th anniversary planning committee

On Fri, 3 Jul 1998, Debbie Stanley wrote:

> Hi -
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> April and I have discussed plans for a plenary session and actually she had a real good idea for a theme.
> The Past, Present, and Future of Women and Criminal Justice...
To discuss issues on women and criminal justice in the past, present, and future. With this idea in mind I think it would be a great idea to invite several of the past presidents to speak on the past issues, have you, Nicky, speak about the current issues, and invite several of the up-and-coming junior folks to speak on the future issues. I believe this would put together a very nice panel and draw a lot of general interest. Both April and I are willing to take responsibility for planning the panel (w/ your suggestions and guidance).
> We haven't connected with Susan yet but she would more than likely be willing to join us.

EXCELLENT IDEAS; LET'S GO WITH THIS. I HEREBY APPOINT YOU AND APRIL HEADS OF THE PLENARY COMMITTEE FOR THE 15TH ANNIVERSARY MEETINGS, 1999 IN TORONTO.

YOU WILL NEED A COMMITTEE TO HELP YOU. I SUGGEST THAT YOU INCLUDE PEOPLE WHO WILL ACTUALLY BE ON THE PROGRAM & THAT YOU GET AS BIG NAMES AS POSSIBLE. ACTUALLY, ONE THING IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE BIGNESS OF THE NAME AND THAT IS THE ANALYTICAL ABILITY OF THE PERSON; PEOPLE WILL COME IF THEY THINK THEY WILL HEAR SOMETHING INTERESTING. LAST YEAR, LISA SANCHEZ HAD SOME INTERESTING AND CHALLENGING REMARKS ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE DIVISION, FOR INSTANCE. I'D INCLUDE DORIE KLEIN AS THE FOUNDER OF THE FIELD IN THE USA, IF YOU THINK THAT A GOOD IDEA.

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> Other points ----
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> First, I wouldn't mind seeing an additional session that repeats the session conducted back in 1990 in Baltimore where some of the more senior women spoke about their career and experiences. It was absolutely fascinating to students (like myself at that time). It was very inspiring and I think it should be a session that is done every year. April agrees she and Robin Miliano attended the session with me.

YES, THIS WOULD BE GREAT! ISSUE IS WHEN TO HOLD THIS. I THINK I'VE GOT DAY 1 RESERVED FOR BOTH OUR PLENARY AND OUR SOCIAL/ THE AUCTION. IT MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO GET ANOTHER SHOWCASE TIME, BUT I COULD PUT YOU IN TOUCH WITH THE CONF CHIEF PLANNER, IF YOU WANT.

> > Second, I have always thought that the anniversary should involve the past DWC Chairs/presidents in some manner. I think we should acknowledge, recognize, and celebrate with the past DWC chairs at the social. They should be special invitees, perhaps a sponsor/spokesperson for each could stand up and run through their past contributions to the field/DWC. There shouldn't be that many to acknowledge 5/6?

I know several served more than one term, right?

PHYLLIS JO BUNACH WAS FIRST; SHE NO LONGER ATTENDS MEETINGS (WENT INTO LAW) BUT MIGHT COME. 2D WAS I THINK ANNA KUHL, WHO DID NOTHING AND NERE SHOWED UP AGAIN. THEN (?) LYNNE GOODSTEIN, WHO SERVED THE UNFINISHED TERM OF CAROLE GARRISON, WHO WENT OFF TO TIBET OR SOMETHING, AND THEN SERVED HER OWN TERM. AND THEN CHRIS RASCHE. MAYBE THAT IS IT. YOU WOULDHAVE TO CHECK WTH SARAH HALL. HER EMAIL ADDRESS IS asc41@compuserve.com.

I'VE PROBABLY MISSED SOMEONE. COULD THEY HAVE SOME SPECIAL ROLE IN THE AUCTION? CLAIRE R WILL BBE AUCTIONEER, BUT NO DOUBT THERE WILL BE OTHER JOBS, AND CLAIRE MAY NEED RELIEF.

> > Third, I think the original members, those who established the division, should be recognized, perhaps by giving them special tags or a flower or something of that sort. We may not want them to say anything but we could have all of them stand up and be recognized at some point during the social.

>YES, FLOWER OR TAG. WOULD SOOTHE SOME BAD FEELINGS. BUT I DON'T THINK WE CAN DO ANYTHING MORE THAN THE AUCTION DURING THE 199 SOCIAL, WOULD YOU AGREE?

> A few ideas to toss around. As far how to decide, I think you and the 15th Anniversary committee should be the one's to decide what we'll be doing, unless you want to toss out to the DWC membership? THE LESS DEMOCRATIC THE BETTER, IN TERMS OF EFFICIENCY. I'D LIKE YOU TO GIVE A WRITTEN AND ORAL REPORT (BRIEF) AT NEXT BUSINESS MEETING, TELING WHAT YOUR COMMITTEE HAS DONE, SAYING THAT I'VE APPOINTED YOU TO BE IN CHG OF PLENARY IN 1999--AND THENWE C ASK FOR FEEDBACK. OK?

Let

us know what you think about these ideas. I'm going to try to reach Susan and see if she has anything more.

>
DO YOU HAVE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO WHO WHOULD BE IN CHARGE OF THE AUCTION? WE WILL NEED A SIZEBLE COMMITTEE.

> Hope you're getting some nice weather and you're having a chance to enjoy a bit of it!

>
> Debbie

I FORGOT TO CC THIS TO APRIL AND SUSAN; PLEASE FORWARD IT TO THEM. THANKS.

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