# **Robert P. Houston**

# School of Criminology and Criminal Justice University of Nebraska at Omaha

**EDUCATION:** Master of Science in Criminal Justice

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA

# **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:**

### **Faculty** - School of Criminology and Criminal Justice

#### University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)

Jan. 2014 to Present

Teach criminal justice and corrections courses on the Omaha and Lincoln campuses. Member, University of Nebraska Medical Center Institutional Research Board (IRB). Consult with numerous jails and prisons. Interact with corrections directors and public administrators on regional, national, and international levels. Organize community symposiums/training on topics pertinent to the CJ field.

## **Federal Court Monitor**

### Los Angeles County Jail,

June 2014-Present

Appointed by the Federal Court of Southern California to oversee certain operations within the Los Angeles County Jail. First, work as a member on a team of three (3) experts to develop provisions that address policies and training curriculum for uses of force, an effective inmate grievance system, and improved deputy performance in the nation's largest jail. Second, oversee the Jail's compliance with these provisions. Alex Rosas et. al. vs. Leroy Baca et. al., Case Number 2:12 cv-00428-DDP-MRW Case Closed 4/21/2015

**Consultant:** Specializing in in-custody use of force policies, restrictive housing, training, policy development, organizational culture, and jail/prison leadership practices.

- United States Department of Justice-National Institution of Corrections
   Lead consultant for development and delivery of leadership and general training for the nation's heads of correctional agencies for the Association of State Correctional Administrators (ASCA).
- U.S. Department of State and Sam Houston State University
   Nov. 2017-Present
   With a team of four, develop and deliver executive leadership training for corrections leadership from around the world.
- Nebraska Attorney General's Office
   Sabata v. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Case Number 4:17-cr-3107-PFR-MDN

- o U.S. Commission on Civil Rights-Nebraska Advisory Committee Testimony, June 13, 2019
- Use of Force Policy Assessment, Bernalillo County (Albuquerque) New Mexico, for Local 2499.

#### **EXPERT WITNESS REPORTS**

- Vasquex Bernabe v. County of Santa Clara et.al. Case Number 5:201 cv-03218 (2017)
- Kyle Griseto vs. Xavier Crawford and New Mexico Department of Corrections, Case Number 1) -504cv-2017-0008 (2017)

#### **CORRECTIONS EXPERIENCE**

<b>Director of Corrections</b>	ctions
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Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS) March 2005 to Sept. 2013

**Director of Corrections** 

Douglas County Department of Corrections (DCDC)

April 2003 – March 2005

**Deputy State Director of Corrections** 

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS) September 2002 - April 2003

Warden

Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility (NCYF)
 Omaha Correctional Center (OCC)
 Lincoln Correctional Center (LCC)
 Omaha Correctional Center (CCC)
 June 1993 - February 1997
 Omaha Correctional Center (OCC)
 February 1992 - June 1993

**Deputy Warden** 

Nebraska State Penitentiary (NSP) February 1991 - February 1992

Associate Warden

Omaha Correctional Center (OCC) December 1983 – Feb. 1991

**Housing Unit Administrator** 

Nebraska State Penitentiary (NSP)

July 1982 - December 1983

**Unit Manager** 

Lincoln Correctional Center (LCC) April 1979 - July 1982

Senior Counselor

Nebraska State Penitentiary (NSP) November 1974 - April 1979

**Corrections Officer** 

Douglas County Sheriff's Office September 1973 – May 1974

# **AFFILIATIONS**

- o President, Metropolitan Chiefs Association (MCA) (2013)
- o Committee Chair, Association of State Correctional Administrators, (2012-2013)
- o Commissioner, American Correctional Association Accreditation Commission (2012-2015)
- Member, Association of State Correctional Administrators (ASCA) (2011-2013)
- o *President*, Midwest Directors of Corrections (2012)
- o Chair, Nebraska State Government Charitable Giving Drive (2009)
- Member, Douglas Facilities-Bonding Corporation (2005-2013)
- o Member, Nebraska Crime Commission (2005-2013)
- o *Member*, Nebraska Jail Standards Board (2005-2013)
- o *Member*, Nebraska Capitol Facilities Planning Committee (2005-2013)
- o *Member*, Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision (2005-2013)
- o *President*, Nebraska Corrections Association (1994)
- o President, Criminal Justice Scholarship Fund- University of Nebraska Foundation (1993-present)
- Accreditation Auditor and Chair: American Correctional Association (1991-2005)
- o President, United States Deputy Warden's Association (1987)

#### AWARDS and CERTIFICATIONS

- Louie Wainwright Award (2018) Association of State Correctional Administrators (ASCA) Excellence in public service after serving as a State Director of Corrections
- Fellow, National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) (2013)
- University of Nebraska-Omaha Alumni Citation Award (2012)
- Hubert Locke Award (2011) College of Public Administration and Community Service (CPACS), University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO).
- Alumni Community Service Award (2009) The University of Nebraska-Omaha (UNO)
- Award for Excellence in Community Service (2002) College of Public Administration and Community Service (CPACS), University of Nebraska Omaha.
- Teacher of the Year (1998) University of Nebraska Omaha College of Continuing Studies