

Lawyers ASSISTANCE

By Board of Directors, Louisiana JLAP

INTRODUCING NEW JLAP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

After an extensive and rigorous search, the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program (JLAP) is pleased to announce that it has chosen Dr. Angela White-Bazile, Esq., to serve as JLAP's new Executive Director.

The board made this selection based on Dr. Bazile's skills, experience and professional achievements. She holds degrees from Southern University Law Center and the University of Southwestern Louisiana (University of Louisiana at Lafayette). She also has a Ph.D. in psychology and counseling.

Dr. Bazile is JLAP's first female and first African-American executive director. She began her service on April 5, 2021, and succeeds J.E. (Buddy) Stockwell, who led the organization for 10 years.

Dr. Bazile joins JLAP with more than 20 years of exemplary service to the Louisiana judiciary. Prior to accepting the executive director position, she served as executive counsel to former Louisiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Bernette Joshua Johnson.

A proud wife and mother, licensed realtor and published author, she pulls from her personal and professional values of learning, evolving and serving others in everything she does. She is deeply committed to JLAP's mission and passionate about advocating healing within the legal community. With more than 20 years of legal experience, she is keenly aware of the challenges judges, lawyers, law students and their family members face.

The board is excited and humbled that Dr. Bazile will bring her wealth of knowledge and kind and generous spirit to lead JLAP. Her warmth and practical approach to problem-solving have earned her the esteem of her colleagues. Her experience and education will be a



Dr. Angela White-Bazile

great asset to the organization.

The board is confident that Dr. Bazile is the right leader to work alongside staff, the board and the entire legal community. JLAP will be well-positioned under her guidance to thrive in the years to come.

"I appreciate the board's confidence in me, and I am excited for this new role and the opportunity to educate and empower all Louisiana judges, lawyers, law students and their family members. JLAP is resilient, and I know we can

move forward and continue to provide the excellent services Louisiana judges, lawyers, law students and their family members deserve, while protecting the public," Dr. Bazile said.

As executive director, Dr. Bazile will work closely with the JLAP board and staff, service providers, the Louisiana State Bar Association, the judiciary and other legal entities to ensure the organization continues to adapt to serve people through the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. Along with overseeing day-to-day operations, she will design the future of the organization and manage the continued expansion of service providers to ensure JLAP is a high-integrity, diverse, inclusive and confidential safe haven that creates conditions for success.

Join us in welcoming Dr. Angela White-Bazile, Esq., to JLAP!

The board also would like to extend its deep appreciation to the JLAP staff during this time of transition. They provided exceptional support and service over the last nine months.

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