Rethinking Race - The Death Lottery: How Race Impacts the Death Penalty in Ohio

Student Union Theater at the University of Akron • Tuesday, February 2 • 12pm - 2pm

Two thirds of murder victims in Ohio are African-American, yet two thirds of those who have been executed in our state had white victims. This panel brings together individuals with direct experience with the aftermath of murder, providing context to a newly released report examining racial and geographic disparity in the application of Ohio's death penalty.

Panelists











Kwame Ajamu & Wylie Bridgeman, Cleveland area brothers who, together with their friend Ricky Jackson, were wrongly convicted and sentenced to be executed for a crime they did not commit.

Judge Stephen L. McIntosh, who served as the Vice-Chairman of the Ohio Supreme Court Joint Task Force on the Administration of Ohio's Death Penalty. A former prosecutor, McIntosh is a Franklin County Court of Common Pleas Judge.

Rev. Dr. Jack Sullivan Jr., Executive Director of Murder Victims Families for Reconciliation, a national organization working to end the death penalty. Sullivan's sister Jennifer was murdered in Cleveland in 1997 - a crime which remains unsolved.

Moderator: Margery M. Koosed, a noted expert on Ohio's death penalty system, is Professor Emeritus at The University of Akron School of Law.





