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## [Prisco Joins Correctional Association](#)

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**Gabrielle Prisco**

Gabrielle Prisco has been appointed by the Correctional Association to be Director of its Juvenile Justice Project (JJP).

Prisco previously served as the Project Manager of the Legal Aid Society's Juvenile Rights Practice Data Collection and Policy Project, where she was responsible for developing a juvenile justice data collection system. Prior to that, she spent three and a half years as a Legal Aid Juvenile Rights Practice attorney representing children in Manhattan, Bronx and Brooklyn Family Court, primarily in child abuse and neglect cases. She also served as a member of the Juvenile Rights Practice's LGBT Committee, developing and presenting staff trainings on LGBTQ issues.

“We at the Correctional Association are certain that Gabrielle's extensive experience, superb leadership skills, and enthusiastic commitment to improving the lives of young people will add significant energy to and aid in the movement to transform the youth justice system,” said Executive Director Robert Gangi.

JJP works through legislative advocacy, coalition-building, and public education to reduce the use of incarceration as a response to social problems facing youth in New York City and State; to re-invest resources in communities most impacted by juvenile justice policies; and to include young people and neighborhood constituents affected by juvenile justice policies in the decision making process. JJP also runs *Safe Passages*, a youth leadership training program for LGBTQ identified young people, many of whom have histories of court involvement.

Before working at the Legal Aid Society, Prisco served as the William J. Brennan Fellow in the American Civil Liberties Union's National Legal Department where she worked on First Amendment and National Security litigation in state and federal courts. She also served as the Derrick Bell Fellow at NYU School of Law, where she worked with Professor Bell to teach constitutional law courses and engaged in scholarship on race and racism in American law. She holds a J.D. *cum laude* from NYU School of Law where she was an Arthur Garfield Hays Fellow, an M.A. from the University of Alabama, and a B.S. *magna cum laude* from Vanderbilt University where she served as a Posse Scholar.