

Janice Joseph 47th ACJS President 2009-2010

Janice Joseph was born and raised in the Caribbean. Upon graduation from high school, she attended the University of the West Indies, graduating with her B.A. in Sociology. She then pursued graduate studies at York University in Toronto, Canada, where she earned her M.A. and Ph.D. in Sociology.

After completing her Ph.D., she worked at Vancouver Island University (VIU), formerly Malaspina University, Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada (1987-1989) where she started and directed/chaired the Criminology Department. She also taught several courses in the program. After leaving Vancouver Island University, she migrated to the United States where she is presently a Distinguished Professor of Criminal Justice at Richard Stockton College in New Jersey (1989-present).

Joseph has been a member of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences since 1989, and has served in various capacities. Between 1997 and 2001, she was elected (twice) Chair of Minorities and Women Section, chaired the Affirmative Action Committee (2002-2003) and Membership Committee (2001-2002) and served on several ACJS committees throughout her membership in ACJS. In 2004, she was elected to serve the Executive Board as a Trustee-at-Large, and then in 2007, she was elected as Second Vice President. After serving as First Vice President, she was elevated to become the 47th President of ACJS, serving the 2009 to 2010 term in office.

Some of her activities during her presidency include the creation of the Outstanding Mentor Award and a list of past presidents accomplishments, attendance at regional meetings and a meeting with the National Institute of Justice in Washington DC, the establishment of an the Ad Hoc committee on Criminal Justice Month and the ACJS Ad hoc Committee on International Issues. She also facilitated the agreement between ACJS and the Raben group as well as the sponsorship agreement for between ACJS and Sage to publish the journal entitled International Criminal Justice Review on behalf of the International Section of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.

Since her Presidency, Joseph has remained active in the Academy. She is presently the ACJS United Nation Non-Governmental Organization (UN NGO) representative. She also organized the ACJS panel for the United Nations Crime Congress, 2010 in Salvador, Brazil. Moreover, she is the current Editor of the *Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice*, which is affiliated with the Minorities and Women Section of ACJS.

Joseph has testified before the Canadian Criminal Intelligence Service, Alberta, Canada, in 2000 and the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, DC in 1999. She has also made presentations at various meetings of the United Nations. She has made professional presentations in over 14 countries, guest lectured five countries, and taught criminal justice/criminology in three countries. She is the Chair of the Working Party on Violence Against Women for the International Scientific and Professional Advisory Council of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Conference (ISPAC), and a member of the ISPAC Board. She has also worked with community groups in England and Canada. She is also a member of the World Society of Victimology, European Society of Criminology, and the Academic Council on the United Nations System.

She has published over 50 articles in the areas of violence against women, minorities and crime, juvenile delinquency, and gangs; many of which use a global perspective.

In 2010, Joseph received the ACJS Outstanding Mentor Award.

