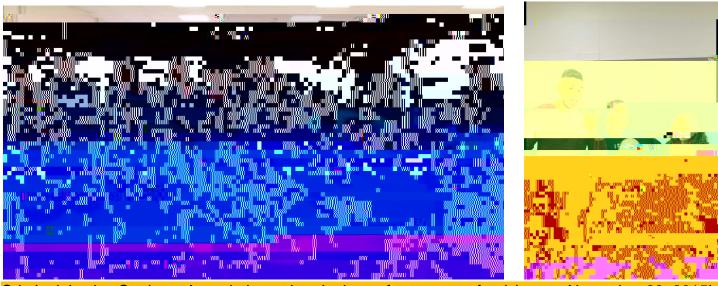


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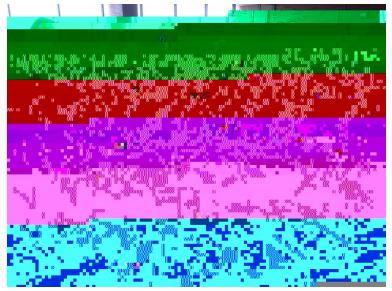
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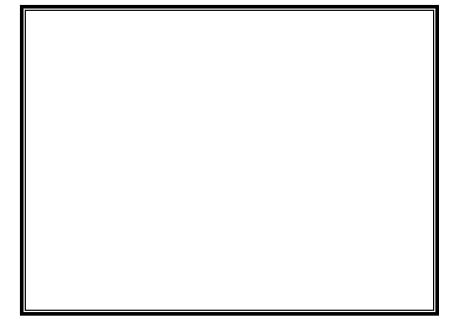
CJ Lamar Builds Relations with Community Leaders

The Division of Criminal Justice at Lamar hel their Community Relations Board Meeting on November 17, 2015 Criminal Justice instructor and former Supervising United States Probation Officer for the Eastern District of Texas (19942013) Karen Roebuck was instrumental inviting legislators, judges federal state and local law enforcement personnel and corrections officetos the symposium, said CJ Director Eric F. Bronsor

11 Lamar students inducted into Alpha Phi Sigma

The Criminal Justice Honors Society inducti ceremony was held on December 2, 2015. Eleven students were inducted into the Lam chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, the national criminal justice honors society. They were Victoria Curtis, Tieranny DeCuir, India Frederick, Alejandro Guadian, Kneco Jones Jennifer LunaByroneisha Mathews, Charlie McGill, Guadalupe Pride, Kashira Robinson and Brittany Wood.





targeted. Research **by** minologists, particularly the work of Peter Kraska, has documented this trend in police organization and culture.

Q 2. In your book, you write that the number of governmental raidson new religious movements has increased exponentially within the past several years. Why is this?

A. Well, the rapid, transnational mobilization of a countermovement accounts in part for the dramatic increase in raids. But this was predicated on a pivoltahange in public attitudes and laws regarding child protection in the 1980 Criminologist Phil Jenkins has written

deprogrammers. But the scientific research did credible and established science. Once the not supporthebrainwashing theory and as the evidence against the theory began to mount, the forced to investigate the claims of brainwashin viability of this legal argument faltered. Both the use of this pseudscience in the courts was American Psychological Association and the American Sociological Association rejected the ting brainwashing theory as lacking cited scholarly or scientific evidence. But the theory was exported abroad and adopted by ACM organizations as credible science. In France, th concept was modified; first in the form of

weakness). This thirdeneration of brainwashing theory is based largely on the highly questiona work of French psychiatrist Jeanharie Abgrall. Abgrall has been heavily criticized by other scholars and it has been noted that hereis CM activist as well. But for reasons I cannot possik explain in this limited space, the French have aggressively prosecuted and repressed sectar religions, casting them as a threat to rational thought and a hindrance to French nationalism

Q 5. You mentioned in your book that U.S. courts now tend to bar "brainwashing" or "mind control" theories from being introduced as evidence or in expert testimony. Why is this?

A. Expert testimony advocatintbe

federal court case Inited States v. Fishman (1990). The defendant, Steven Fishman, was a former member of the Church of Scientology charged with mail fraud. Fishman claimed he wasbrainwashed by the church and could not t held accountable for his actions. The court tool serious look at the scientific viability of brainwashing and determined that it did not me federal standards for admission into court as scientific evidence. Tencourt barred the

for years propped up the brainwashing theory a

government became a party in litigation and wa finally stopped.

scholars when reporting on new religious movements?

A. There is a curious dynamic here involving

who of anticultactivists and selproclaimed experts. And it would probably not produce ever single scholar of new or nontraditional religions though there are dozens. This is because schola

definition has becomproblematic and the concep has been hijacked by opponents and popular