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THOSE WHO ARE EXPLOITED FOR SEX ARE FREQUENTLY THE MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE IN OUR SOCIETY. PEOPLE WITH MORE POWER ARE BUYING THE BODIES OF THOSE WITH FAR LESS POWER.

THIS MAKES ME REALLY UNCOMFORTABLE.

THIS SHOULD MAKE EVERYONE UNCOMFORTABLE.”

Director Shea Rhodes, Esq.



THERE IS NO ROOM FOR COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION. NOT IN OUR COMMUNITIES, OUR CULTURE, OR THE LIVES OF THE INDIVIDUALS WE SERVE. THIS YEAR, THE CSE INSTITUTE WAS BUSY PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, TRAININGS, AND DIRECT LEGAL SERVICES, ADVOCATING FOR POLICY CHANGE, AND EDUCATING FUTURE LAWYERS. ALL OF THIS IS DONE WITH THE GOAL OF COMBATting HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SYSTEMS OF PROSTITUTION AND CREATING A SOCIETY THAT REFLECTS WHAT I KNOW TO BE TRUE- THERE IS NO ROOM FOR COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION.

I INVITE YOU TO READ THIS REPORT AND LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR EFFORTS. I HOPE THAT IT WILL INSPIRE YOU TO JOIN ME IN THIS COLLABORATION - THERE IS STILL SO MUCH WORK TO DO.

SINCERELY,

Shea



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INAUGURAL VISITING RESEARCH FELLOW:

Chris Stark



We are proud to welcome Christine Stark as the Inaugural Visiting Research Fellow. Chris is an award-winning writer, artist, and survivor with Anishinaabe and Cherokee ancestry. She was also a member of the Minnesota Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) Task Force.

In this newly created role, Chris will be researching historical and contemporary information about the organized rape, murder, and physical violence against Indigenous women. This research is a crucial component in understanding the MMIW crisis, finding justice for these victims, and the healing of Indigenous families and communities in the United States and Canada.

Her most recent novel, *Carnival Lights*, won the NEMBA Award for Fiction and was a finalist for the Minnesota Book Awards. Chris has also authored countless essays, poems, academic writing, and creative non-fiction which have appeared in numerous publications. She is a co-editor of *Not for Sale: Feminists Resisting Prostitution and Pornography* and a co-author of the groundbreaking research, "Garden of Truth: The Prostitution and Trafficking of Native Women in Minnesota." The Palgrave International Handbook of Human Trafficking includes "Strategies to Restore Justice for Trafficked Native Women," a chapter authored by Chris including research she conducted with Native women survivors of prostitution and trafficking on the ships in Duluth, MN. Her writing has been nominated three times for a Pushcart Prize and in 2012 she was named a "Changemaker" by the Women's Press. In 2019 she received the International Social Justice Citizen Award from the International Leadership Institute.

Chris is currently working on three books and consults with a variety of local and national organizations. She received her BA from the University of Wisconsin and has earned an MFA in Writing and a master's in social work. She has taught college-level writing and humanities courses for 20 years and worked as a Two-Spirit program director at Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center.

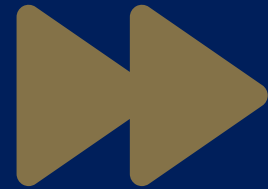
“ I am thrilled to welcome Chris to the CSE Institute as our first Visiting Research Fellow. When the CSE Institute was founded nine years ago, it was part of our vision to invite scholars to conduct their research at Villanova Law. Chris is a dear friend and colleague, as well as a personal inspiration for me, and I can think of no better person to spearhead this initiative.

Shea M. Rhodes, Esq.

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CLEARING THE WAY FOWARD:

Our Founders' Impact



Shea M. Rhodes and Michelle Madden Dempsey

Shea has made her career a direct reflection of who she is: a champion for victims and survivors, women, and girls, and all those who are vulnerable. She has dedicated her career to combatting violence against women, working to protect the rights of those who are oppressed or exploited. Shea is a leader in the anti-human trafficking field and her passion for helping those in need has proved influential to all who have the privilege of working with her.

As the Director and Co-Founder of the Institute to Address Commercial Sexual Exploitation at Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law (“CSE Institute”), Shea has directly impacted countless lives, working with and on behalf of victims and survivors of commercial sexual exploitation and human trafficking. She spends her time effectuating change through policy work, speaking engagements, conducting trainings at the local, state and national level, and directly helping clients right the wrongs that have been done to them.

A former Assistant District Attorney in Philadelphia, Shea left the Philadelphia DA’s office to co-found the CSE Institute to effectuate meaningful change in the laws and policies in Pennsylvania, particularly pertaining to prostitution and sex trafficking. Whether directly serving their legal interests or training generations of current and future lawyers, Shea has consistently been a champion for human rights.

In the past year, Shea has had the opportunity to speak on a national stage at SXSW 2023 in Austin, Texas, where she moderated a panel discussion, “Putting the Brakes on Human Trafficking.” She discussed training transportation sector employees who interact with people often - truckers, driver license, welcome center, and transit employees - in human trafficking awareness and reporting. Likewise, this year Shea led trainings on human trafficking and participated in the development and presentation of a Continuing Judicial Education program on Human Trafficking, made available to all of Pennsylvania’s Common Pleas Judges. In addition to these efforts, Shea has led the CSE Institute’s legal team, achieving vacatur and expungement for numerous victims and survivors of human trafficking, ultimately helping them diminish collateral consequences as a result of their victimization.

In 2020, Shea was awarded a 2021-2022 U.S. Fulbright Scholar grant for the Fulbright-Schuman European Union Affairs Program by the U.S. Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board to conduct research in Austria and Sweden.



Her research examines whether Austria and Sweden have successfully implemented a directive from the United Nations’ Palermo Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons Especially Women and Children. She engaged with practitioners and stakeholders working with victims of commercial sexual exploitation through workshops and seminars to discuss trauma-informed approaches to working with survivors.

While Shea’s legacy stretches across the globe, the impact she has on her students at Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law cannot be overstated. Shea serves as both an Adjunct Faculty and a mentor to countless students, where she instills her passion for the law in each student. Shea’s dedication and consequential impact on her students leads them to pursue meaningful careers, inspired by her grit and humanitarian approach to the law. Because of her critical impact on her students and the legal community, Shea was featured in Philadelphia Bar Association magazine’s “Women in Law” Spring 2023 issue and received the Villanova Law Student Bar Association Fall Adjunct Award.

Everything Shea does is focused on helping others. The work Shea leads at the CSE Institute and beyond is all designed to do one thing: eradicate injustice and amplify dignity.

Michelle Madden Dempsey has devoted her decades-long career to combatting both commercial sexual exploitation and violence against women. An internationally renowned scholar, Michelle has received numerous awards and accolades and has published extensively on commercial sexual exploitation from a perspective that incorporates both criminal law and philosophy. Michelle currently serves as the Co-Founder and Faculty Advisor of the CSE Institute, but her work at Villanova Law does not end there. She also serves as the Harold Reuschlein Scholar Chair and Professor of Law in addition to teaching and writing in the areas of criminal law, feminist legal theory, evidence, and jurisprudence. Creating meaningful change through policy work and academia, Michelle also impacts the lives of countless individuals at Villanova Law.

Named "Faculty Member of the Year" by the Villanova Student Bar Association during the 2018-2019 and 2020-2021 academic years, honored with the 2018 Villanova Women's Law Caucus Impact Award, and awarded the 2022 Diane Ambler Faculty Scholarship Impact Award, it is clear that Michelle is beloved by both her students and her colleagues. Her devotion to her students is immeasurable, leading them towards successful legal careers because of her zeal in the classroom and within the Villanova Law community.

Michelle's scholarship draws on legal and philosophical methods to explore the criminal law's response to gender-related violence, including domestic violence, sexual assault, and commercial sexual exploitation. Her work has been published in the American Criminal Law Review, Criminal Law Review (UK), the University of Pennsylvania Law Review, and other peer-reviewed journals and books.

A few highlights of Michelle's influential policy work include serving as a lobbyist during the negotiations and drafting of the United Nations' Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, consulting with the Coalition Against Trafficking in Women and the former U.N. Special Rapporteur on Trafficking in Persons, and testifying before the U.S. Senate regarding "The Chronic Failure to Report and Investigate Rape in the U.S."

In recognition of her expertise, Michelle was elected to the American Law Institute (ALI) in 2015, is an elected Fellow of the American Bar Association, and serves as an Associated Research Scholar at the University of Pennsylvania Ortner Center on Violence and Abuse. She also serves as the Co-Editor-in-Chief of the premiere international, interdisciplinary journal, Criminal Law & Philosophy.

Beyond the international reach of Michelle's many achievements, she is also a mentor and role model for countless individuals, inspiring those around her to live compassionate lives.





The Institute to Address Commercial Sexual Exploitation Symposium: Combatting Commercial Sexual Exploitation through Law and Policy

June 7, 2022

- **Welcome Remarks:** Shea M. Rhodes, Director, CSE Institute
- **Welcome Address:** A Message from Pennsylvania House Democratic Leader, Joanna McCClinton

Panel 1: Criminalization of the Trafficking Victim

- Sean Camoni, Assistant United States Attorney, Middle District of Pennsylvania
- Heather Castellino, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General
- Emily Murbarger, Assistant Defender, Defender Association of Philadelphia
- Tammy McDonnell, Transitional Housing Specialist, Covenant House Pennsylvania
- Moderator: Dr. Angie Henderson, Professor of Sociology, University of Northern Colorado

Panel 2: Post-Criminalization: Criminal Record Relief

- Marianna Kosharovsky, Executive Director, Alliance to Leave Impact in Global Human Trafficking (ALIGHT)
- Liam Riley, Assistant District Attorney, Philadelphia District Attorney's Office
- Bekah Charleston, CEO/Co-founder, Charleston Law Center in Nevada
- Judge (ret'd) Mary McDonough, Policy Director, Delaware Human Trafficking Interagency Coordinating Council
- Moderator: Mitha Choudhury, Program Coordinator, EMPOWER Center at Sanctuary for Families

Panel 3: Solving Collateral Legal Consequences

- Nadeem Bezar, Partner, Kline & Specter
- Alicia Anguiano, Immigration Attorney, Justice at Work (JaW)
- Nicholas Moore, Supervising Attorney, Free to Thrive
- Dr. Marian Hatcher, Co-founder Alliance of Leadership & Innovation for Victims of Exploitation (ALIVE)
- Moderator: Rachel Foster, Founding Co-Chair, World Without Exploitation

Panel 4: Policy Solutions

- Alisa Bernard, Director of Public Policy and Advocacy, Thistle Farms
- Taina Bien-Aimé, Executive Director, Coalition Against Trafficking in Women
- Ane Mathieson, Program Director, EMPOWER Center at Sanctuary for Families
- Becca Zipkin, Policy Director, World Without Exploitation
- Moderator: Eliza Reock, Human Trafficking Consultant

Closing Remarks: Michelle Madden Dempsey, Professor and Harold Reuschlein Scholar Chair, Villanova Law

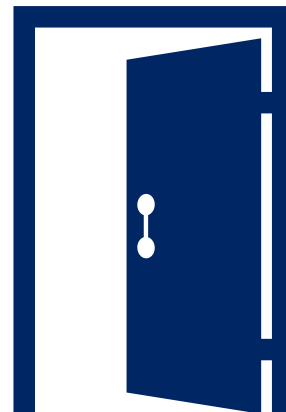
The work our panelists have accomplished and the efforts they continue to pursue serve as an incredible inspiration for the CSE Institute and stakeholders in Pennsylvania, the United States, and beyond.

We applaud and support the efforts of these panelists, as well as all the other individuals who spoke at our symposium and are working tirelessly to combat commercial sexual exploitation in Pennsylvania and beyond.

Thank you to our incredible group of panelists and moderators. Go to our website, cseinstitute.org, to read more about the symposium, and to watch all four panels!

OPENING DOORS FOR SURVIVORS:

Justice for Victims Fellowship Impact



52

CLIENTS SERVED

171

DOCKETS CLEARED

258

CONVICTIONS VACATED

Since inception of the Justice for Victims Fellowship, 108 clients have been served as a result of the Fellows' collective efforts. The Fellows' priority is to provide criminal record clearing options for victims and survivors of sex trafficking primarily through vacatur and expungement. Of the 52 clients seeking vacatur of their criminal records, the fellows have successfully achieved vacatur of 171 cases with over 258 charges being erased from their criminal records. These survivors had anywhere from 1 to almost 40 vacatur-eligible charges removed from their criminal histories.

Our Vacatur Clients at a Glance

44

Average age
at Intake

96%

Identify as
Female

67%

Reported
having
Children

PENNSYLVANIA VACATUR OVERVIEW

Vacatur is a criminal record clearing remedy that allows survivors of sex trafficking to erase certain convictions from their criminal records [1].

1

Eligible Convictions:

- Prostitution
- Simple Possession of a Controlled Substance
- Criminal Trespass
- Disorderly Conduct
- Loitering & Prowling at Nighttime
- Obstructing Highways and Other Public Passages

2

Eligible individuals:

- Individuals who have experienced human trafficking victimization

3

There must be a nexus between the conviction and trafficking victimization

PENNSYLVANIA VACATUR FLAWS

1

The current list of eligible convictions does not encompass the wide breath of criminal conduct human traffickers force their victims to perform

2

The requirement of Consent to file by the District Attorney bars victims from arguing their vacatur petition in front of the court

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Only convictions are vacatur eligible- leaving delinquency adjudications, arrests, nolle prossed, and withdrawn cases on survivor's criminal records

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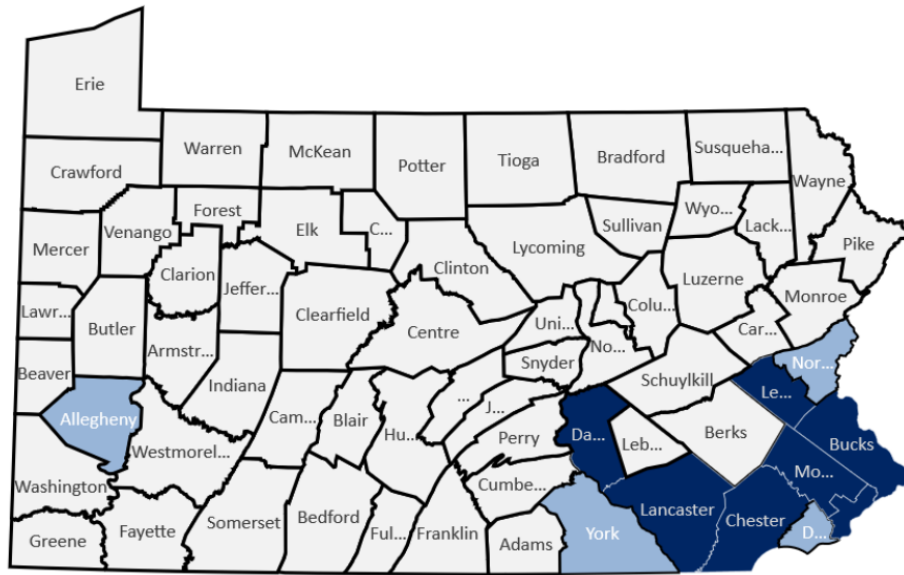
The law places burdens on survivors in the form of filing fees and possible attendance at court hearings

What's left?

DUE TO VACATUR'S LIMITED NATURE, 50% OF CSE INSTITUTE CLIENTS HAVE CONVICTIONS LEFT ON THEIR CRIMINAL RECORDS **AFTER THEY HAVE EXHAUSTED THE VACATUR REMEDY.**

PENNSYLVANIA IS THE ONLY STATE THAT REQUIRES CONSENT FROM THE PROSECUTOR TO MERELY FILE A VACATUR MOTION.





- Vacatur has been achieved in Bucks, Chester, Dauphin, Montgomery, Lancaster, Lehigh, and Philadelphia Counties.
- Vacatur clients have been identified and are at various stages of the process in Allegheny, Delaware, Northampton, and York counties.

THANK YOU

We could not achieve these successes in vacatur or provide the holistic support the individuals we work with require without our incredible community. These are some of the partners that went above and beyond to assist us in combatting commercial sexual exploitation this year:

- Cumberland County District Attorney's Office
- Lancaster County District Attorney's Office
- Philadelphia County District Attorney's Office
- Delaware County District Attorney's Office
- The Salvation Army's New Day to Stop Trafficking Program
- Dawn's Place
- Worthwhile Wear's Worth It Program
- The Superior Court of Pennsylvania
- Eden's Farm
- The Support Center for Child Advocates

PILOT CLINICAL STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Natalie Anderson '2023



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I am grateful for my time at the CSE Institute because I gained invaluable skills and knowledge relating to both policy around human trafficking and direct client services. The CSE Institute recognizes that policy must always be informed by survivors' experiences. It also understands the importance of putting that policy to use by providing substantive legal services to those in need.

Not only was I able to work with policy makers, legal experts, and survivors to create solutions that are tailored to those in need, but I was also able to then use those policies to provide remedies, in the form of criminal record clearing, for real community members. No other aspect of law school has given me such a complete and wholistic legal education and for that I will always be thankful for the CSE Institute.

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Natalie Anderson and Director Shea Rhodes preparing Natalie to testify remotely at the Maine state legislature on behalf of the CSE Institute in support of legislation that would further the Equality Model.

Throughout Natalie's tenure as a Villanova Law student she worked extensively with the CSE Institute. She was a CSE Institute 1L Blog Competition winner in her first year and an extern during her second year. Natalie continued her work with us during her third year, showing immense leadership by becoming the CSE Institute's first clinical student. She provided direct legal services to survivors of sex trafficking with compassion and dedication, assisting with a variety of vacatur cases throughout the year.

Survivor Spotlight: Sandra Dorsett

While we are introducing Sandra as a “survivor of commercial sexual exploitation,” that is something that happened to her, it is not what defines her. Instead, Sandra is defined by her relationships with others; she is a loving mother and grandmother, trusted friend, and an inspirational role model for many.

Sandra’s life is characterized by strength, faith, and resilience. She was an only child raised by a hard-working single mother who always made sure there was food on the table and a roof over their heads. Sandra describes herself as a child as being a bit of a loner but does recall having close friends and a passion for hobbies such as church choir, dancing, and cooking. She not only survived being trafficked for commercial sex, but also the trauma of multi-generational domestic violence, and the grief of miscarrying her first child.

Now four years “clean and serene”, Sandra continues to work every day to remain that way as well as overcome the complex trauma she has endured. Before sobriety, Sandra was living on the streets of Philadelphia with a crack cocaine addiction. She became homeless after having a nervous breakdown and turning to alcohol and substance use to cope with the trauma of enduring years of domestic violence. When men offered Sandra crack, food, or a place to stay in exchange for sex, Sandra had no choice but to agree if she wanted to survive.

As a result of being sex trafficked in and around Philadelphia, Sandra was arrested several times for prostitution and drug related charges. Because of this, she entered Project Dawn Court, a diversionary program for women with multiple prostitution convictions. Sandra attributes this diversionary program with changing her life, and she has made it her mission to speak with sexually exploited and incarcerated women to share her experiences and advice. Her goal is to impart her strength and hope onto them. Sandra is also active in her faith, and her religion is an important part of her life.

Beyond all of this, Sandra has wonderful family, friends and neighbors who love and encourage her. She has a strong relationship with her son and daughter, and she has a beautiful grandson who gives her so much happiness and peace. Sandra came to the CSE Institute for assistance because her criminal record was preventing her from obtaining meaningful employment. Today, a criminal record history no longer exists because 17 convictions were successfully vacated from her record. When we asked Sandra what she wanted others to know about working with the CSE Institute, she had this to say:

“MEETING YOU ALL WAS SO IMPORTANT. THIS [VACATUR] PROCESS HELPED ME UNDERSTAND THAT THESE THINGS SHOULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED TO ME. TO OTHER SURVIVORS: THERE IS HOPE, KEEP THE FAITH.”



Policy Spotlight:

Expanding Post Conviction Relief for Victims of Human Trafficking

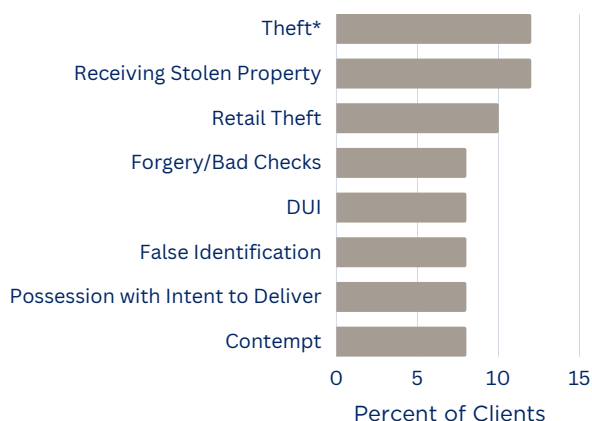
The Problem

Since our inception, the CSE Institute has worked with countless survivors who have criminal records resulting from their trafficking victimization. Many of them are unable to have their criminal records cleared through vacatur due to the limited number of eligible offenses, the consent requirement from the Commonwealth, and other procedural issues with the law. Some survivor's records can only be partially cleared, some cannot be cleared at all. All these survivors are harmed by their criminal records. These records serve as a barrier to a new life and a reminder of a traumatic experience.

The Solution

Increase the number of convictions eligible for vacatur by adding additional offenses to include all crimes. Changing the requirement District Attorney's consent to a notice requirement. Make all delinquency adjudications, arrests, nolle prossed, and withdrawn cases eligible as well. Finally, eliminate all burdens on survivors by waiving filing fees and attendance at court hearings.

Top Non Vacatur Eligible Convictions



* Theft includes theft, theft by unlawful taking of movable property, and theft by deception

UNLOCKING POTENTIAL: Externship Impact



CUSTOMIZING THE EXPERIENCE

The CSE Institute encourages externs to engage in projects that fall at the intersection of our mission and their interests, creating a unique, self directed externship experience for each student.

STRENGTHENING LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING SKILLS

Externs strengthen and diversify their research and writing skills by drafting policy papers, compiling research findings, conducting legislative and policy analysis, and contributing to the CSE Institute online blog.

GAINING REAL WORLD LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Contributing to the representation of survivors of sex trafficking in criminal record clearing matters including expungement, vacatur, pardons, and clemency gives externs hands-on legal experience.

LEARNING THE LAW

Through becoming familiar with laws regarding trafficking, prostitution, and commercial sexual exploitation, externs learn to confidently summarize, apply, and critique the law.

UNDERSTANDING THE ISSUE

Interacting with victims and survivors and creating a “real world” connection with their work allows externs to understand the reality of commercial sexual exploitation and its consequences.

BUILDING A LEGAL NETWORK

Externs have the opportunity to meet and cultivate relationships with judges, lawyers, advocates, and other professionals working to address commercial sexual exploitation in Pennsylvania and beyond.



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I externed for the CSE Institute because trauma informed lawyering is something that I am passionate about, and I wanted to gain more experience in it. I also greatly admire the mission of the Institute. Being a part of the Institute throughout law school improved my advocacy skills and I learned a lot about how the legal profession can support and aid survivors of sexual exploitation.

Rachel Sweeney '23

As an extern for the Institute, I learned the importance of language and word choice, open communication, and trauma-informed lawyering. I am thrilled to have contributed at all to the Institute's mission through tracking relevant civil litigation, assisting in drafting proposed legislation, and drafting a motion to vacate a survivor's criminal convictions. My time with the Institute is something I will take with me forever.

Haley Norwillo '23

Working at/in the CSE institute has been an exceptional experience for me as a law student. Where so much of law school focuses on theory, the Institute brings into sharp focus the actual impact that lawyers have on the world. The focus on trauma-informed lawyering and working to both provide legal services and advocate for policies that will right social and societal wrongs forced on victims has been an experience that I will never forget.

Ethan Schutzman '23

Working with the CSE Institute has been an incredibly rewarding and inspiring experience. The team is so passionate about what they do and is constantly looking for new and inventive ways to support survivors of sexual exploitation and trafficking here in Pennsylvania and beyond. I have really enjoyed the opportunity to learn from them and to be a part of the crucial support services they provide.

Collin Sykes '23

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VILLANOVA LAW
STUDENTS HAVE SPENT
OVER 16K HOURS
WORKING AGAINST
TRAFFICKING



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During my externship at the CSE Institute, in addition to learning more about organizations offering exit services to survivors like Dawn's Place, I was able to see firsthand the many forms advocacy takes on. The Institute reinforced for me that advocacy isn't just direct services, but also proactively working to combat issues such as through policy and legislative reform. I was able to work on a memo for a House Bill designed to address the illicit massage business, in which we expressed the Institute's support but also emphasized the importance of incorporating language to ensure survivors are not criminalized. My time at the Institute showed me that while advocacy takes on many forms, the focal point should always come back to centering the voices of survivors.

Brooke Tyler '24

I came to law school with the goal of helping people, especially women. Learning more about commercial sexual exploitation and how to advocate for victims of trafficking through my externship at the CSE Institute was the learning experience I was hoping for. I improved my advocacy skills and learned how to utilize a trauma informed approach in my work.

Margot Weitz '23



2022-2023 Research Assistants
Amanda Rioboli '23 and Samantha Newman '23

The CSE Institute has given me a place where I could connect with other students interested in advocating for victims and put that into practice with real world projects. My experience here has set me up for my other internships and post-graduation job.

Amanda Rioboli '23

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT:

Alexa Terribilini '2020



Alexa Terribilini earned her Juris Doctor degree from Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law in 2020. Prior to law school, Alexa graduated from New York University in 2017 with a bachelor's degree in American Studies. While at Villanova Law, Alexa was published in the Jeffrey S. Moorad Sports Law Journal for her article entitled "The Athletic God Complex: The Title IX Lawsuit Against Baylor University and How the Government Responds." Alexa joined the CSE Institute as an extern in Spring 2020 during her third year of law school.

She has worked in various areas of law, including working as a legal intern at the Mazzone Center, a nonprofit serving the LGBTQ+ community, a legal intern for Bryn Mawr Trust (now WSFS), and a law clerk for the Honorable Viktoria Kristiansson in Philadelphia Family Court. Currently, Alexa works as an associate attorney for Momjian Anderer LLC, a law firm in Philadelphia that focuses on family law matters including divorce proceedings, custody, and mediation and arbitration services.

Could you explain a little about your career path so far and how you ended up working for Momjian Anderer LLC?

I was very interested in Family Law when I came to law school. During 3L, I was having a hard time figuring out how to break into family law, and several people suggested I try clerking. I accepted a clerkship position with Judge Kristiansson, where her case load largely consisted of protection from abuse (PFA) hearings and custody. Judge Kristiansson also sat in WRAP Court, which works with juvenile victims of human trafficking. At the end of my clerkship, I was still interested in family law and I was hired by Momjian Anderer.

What made you decide to work for the CSE Institute as a student extern?

I applied because I wanted to do work that was impactful while still exploring some of my other interests. On the Moorad Sports Law Journal, my research heavily focused on sexual assault and I was able to apply some of that background and knowledge in new way.

What was your favorite aspect about working for the CSE Institute?

My favorite aspect of the CSE Institute is the community outreach.

I particularly like the work they do training police officers. I think it's a meaningful way to try and change one small aspect of the system, especially because so many victims have such harmful interactions with law enforcement.

What is something you learned from the CSE Institute that has helped you in your career after law school?

Trauma informed care in client relationships has been a skill that I have carried with me to every job since I graduated law school and I have continued to take CLEs hosted by the CSE Institute to stay informed. Outwardly, I think trauma informed care looks like it might only apply to certain kinds of lawyers, and while it certainly applies in family law, I think almost any time a person finds themselves in court can be traumatic experience, and it's important to keep this in mind when dealing with any client.

What would you say to students who are interested in becoming an extern with the CSE Institute?

I think it's worth doing no matter what kind of law you're interested in because it's a really interesting way to experience a different facet of the law. I got to see legislative and policy reform efforts that I think are hard to experience as a law student.

LAW IN ACTION

Since our inception in 2014 coinciding with the passage of Pennsylvania's comprehensive human trafficking statute, the CSE Institute has tracked criminal charges across the Commonwealth for crimes involving sex trafficking and prostitution.

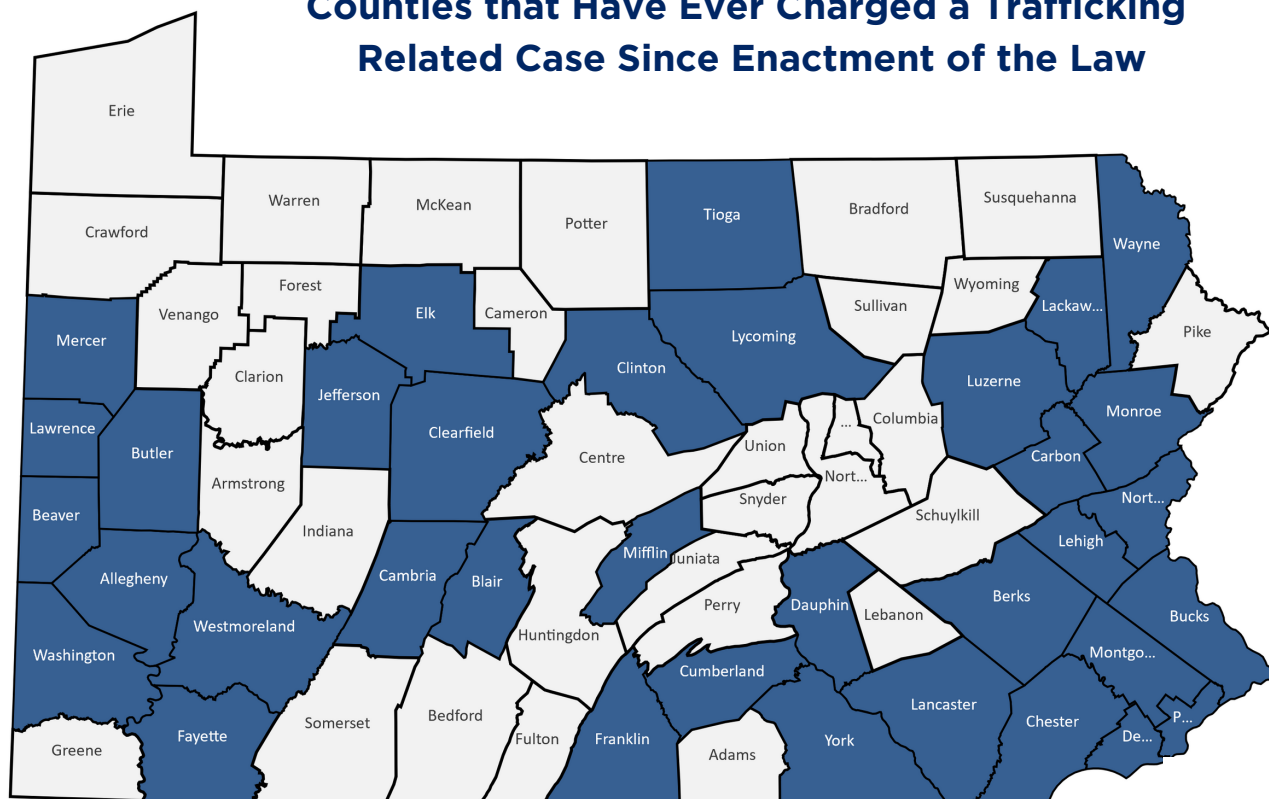
These charges fall under two statutory umbrellas: sex trafficking charges under Chapter 30 [2] and Prostitution and Related Offenses under § 5902. [3]

2022 PENNSYLVANIA TRAFFICKING CHARGE STATISTICS

In 2022, there were 14 counties who charged a trafficking related case [4] against a total of 27 defendants. The CSE Institute has tracked trafficking related case data through both the media and the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts. These data show that between 2014 and the end of 2022 prosecutors in thirty-five counties have used the law to charge trafficking related offenses in 245 cases.

**35 OF 67
COUNTIES HAVE
CHARGED AT
LEAST ONE CASE
SINCE ENACTMENT
OF THE LAW**

Counties that Have Ever Charged a Trafficking Related Case Since Enactment of the Law



Policy Spotlight:

Modernize Pennsylvania's Prostitution & Trafficking Statutes

The Problem

Pennsylvania's prostitution and trafficking statutes use stigmatizing language, are not in line with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act, and do not provide law enforcement with adequate tools to combat commercial sexual exploitation [5].

AN ALARMING TREND NOTED IN THIS YEAR'S DATA IS THAT WHEN CHARGING PROMOTING PROSTITUTION OF A MINOR, ONLY 2 OUT OF THE 9 CASES ALSO APPROPRIATELY BROUGHT HUMAN TRAFFICKING CHARGES.



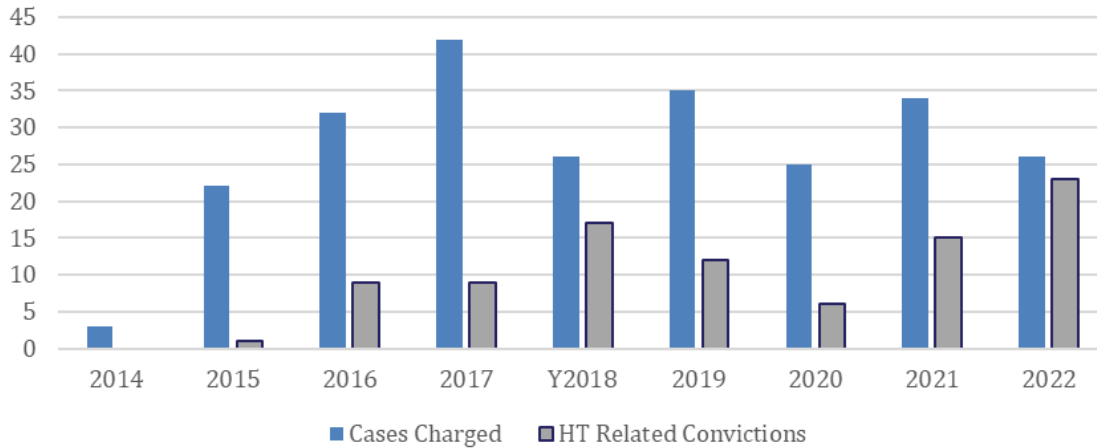
IN ALL CASES INVOLVING MINORS BOUGHT AND SOLD FOR COMMERCIAL SEX, HUMAN TRAFFICKING SHOULD BE CHARGED. IN FACT, PENNSYLVANIA'S NAMING OF 5902(B.1) IS A LEGAL FALLACY:

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS PROSTITUTION OF A MINOR- MINORS ENGAGING IN COMMERCIAL SEX IS SEX TRAFFICKING.

The Solution

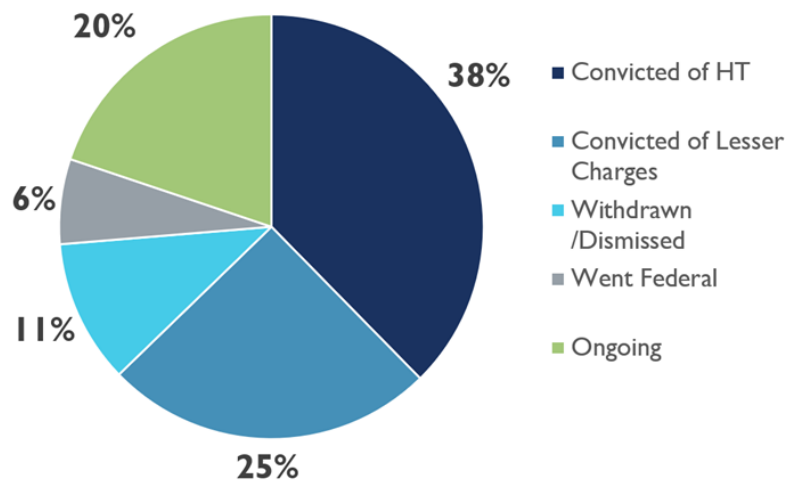
Reintroduce 2021 House Bill 1835 "Eliminating Recidivism Penalties for Non-Violent Crimes of Prostitution" [6]. This would modernize prostitution and human trafficking statute language to be more accurate and victim centered, add "patronizing" to the list of acts that qualify as trafficking, remove the offense of "patronizing a victim of sexual servitude" (18 Pa.C.S. § 3013), and disaggregate the prostitution statute by moving all crimes except the sale of sex (18 Pa.C.S. § 5902(a)) to Chapter 30.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASES AND CONVICTIONS BY YEAR



OUTCOMES FOR TRAFFICKING RELATED CASES BROUGHT SINCE ACT 105 ENACTED

There have been 93 state convictions on trafficking related charges and 62 convictions for lesser charge(s). Notably, a majority (59%) of the cases that led to a conviction of a trafficking related offense occurred in six counties: Philadelphia (19 cases), Chester (10 cases), Bucks (8 cases), Delaware (6 cases), Lehigh (6 cases), and Westmoreland (6 cases).



The law requires that people convicted of trafficking related charges under § 3011, § 3012, or § 3013 shall be fined \$5,000 per offense [7]. Despite this requirement, **NO** defendants convicted under these statutes were appropriately fined. Most defendants did not have this fine levied against them at all. Of the defendants that did, fines ranged between \$50 - \$500.

If traffickers are not prosecuted to the full extent of the law, including being fined appropriately upon conviction, the legislative intent of prosecution, protection, and prevention cannot be realized.

Policy Spotlight:

Second Look Legislation for Victims of Interpersonal Violence

The Problem

Many women in the criminal legal system who are sentenced to life without parole and other harsh sentences are victims of interpersonal violence [8]. Survivors of abuse, trauma, and addiction abound in the criminal legal system— a system that has consistently failed to consider survivors.

The Solution

Second look legislation would enable victims of interpersonal violence who have been sentenced to long periods of incarceration to apply for re-sentencing after serving 15 years [9]. Judges would consider whether the original sentence fulfills the goals of sentencing or whether a new sentence would be more appropriate. This acknowledges the evolution of society's understanding regarding the complex issues that accompany interpersonal violence.

Cyd Charisse Berger is just one example of this cycle of violence exacerbated by the state's punitive sentencing. Cyd was a trafficking victim in the late 1970s. Her trafficker, Dwayne Hicks, physically abused her, threatened her family, kidnapped her son, and forced her into prostitution.

In 1983, Cyd Berger was sentenced to life without the possibility of parole after being convicted as a co- conspirator in the murder of Robert Karcz. Her co-defendant Hicks murdered Karcz, a sex buyer, to steal his car, while Cyd sat, paralyzed with fear, in another room.

Today, over 40 years later, Cyd remains incarcerated. And data from Pennsylvania suggests that Cyd's story is not unique. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Office of Victim Advocate surveyed 62 female inmates serving life sentences. They were asked whether at the time of their crime they were a victim of domestic violence. Of the 62 women, 44 women responded yes (70.97%), 16 responded no (25.81%), and 2 did not answer (3.23%). One of the women who left it unanswered went on to explain that there was a lot of gray area because she had been victimized by different people throughout her entire life.

Cyd and others like her deserve better.

2022 PENNSYLVANIA PROSTITUTION CHARGE STATISTICS

The CSE Institute has been tracking prostitution related charges since our inception. Looking back just five years shows a marked decrease in charges for selling sex [10] across the Commonwealth: in 2017 there were 1443 cases under § 5902(a) as opposed to the 84 we tracked in 2022 [11]. In 2022, for the second straight year, there were more arrests for buying sex than there were for selling sex.

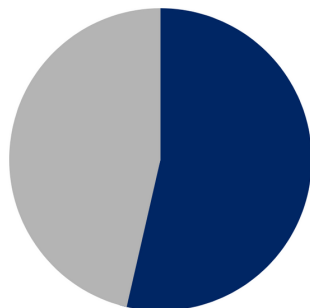
This trend does not necessarily reflect a change in philosophy. Law enforcement generally has not refocused on targeting the demand as there has also been a decrease in charges for buying sex [12]. In 2017 there were 447 cases under § 5902(e) as opposed to the 97 we tracked in 2022.

Of the 25 counties that reported data to the AOPC in 2022, only 9 counties charged violations of buying sex [13] at a higher rate than selling sex [14].

Despite efforts to educate law enforcement, there has not been an end to the practice of criminalizing people in prostitution. Criminalization contributes to the exploitation of those in the sex trade across our Commonwealth. Law enforcement must change their approach by targeting the demand that drives sex trafficking, providing resources and exit options for victims, and refusing to further exploit people in prostitution.

CHARGES FOR 5902 (E) VS. 5902 (A)

Selling
46%



Buying
54%

County	Selling	Buying
Allegheny	26	4
Armstrong	1	0
Beaver	2	1
Berks	0	8
Blair	1	0
Bucks	9	0
Butler	1	2
Cumberland	0	15
Dauphin	6	3
Delaware	8	0
Erie	4	0
Fayette	2	0
Lackawanna	5	0
Lancaster	7	17
Lehigh	1	7
Luzerne	0	5
Mercer	0	1
Monroe	3	1
Montgomery	2	0
Northampton	1	5
Philadelphia	0	25
Schuylkill	0	1
Washington	1	0
Westmoreland	2	0
York	2	2
Total:	84	97

OF THOSE CHARGED
WITH BUYING SEX,
100% WERE MEN.

OF THOSE CHARGED
WITH SELLING SEX,
95% WERE WOMEN.

Policy Spotlight:

Addressing Survivors Driver's License Concerns

The Problem

Commercial sexual exploitation is a devastating crime that results in lifelong collateral consequences for victims and survivors [15]. Some victims of CSE and other forms of interpersonal violence have been forced to drive illegally, unable to receive or respond to any violation notices. This has resulted in victims and survivors having their vehicle operating privileges revoked or suspended. The inability to drive is a barrier to rebuilding a new life post victimization.

“ I am an advocate today because when I was younger, I was personally subjected to the horror that is human sex trafficking. As a result of the crimes committed against me and the unsafe situations I found myself in, I eventually lost my driving privileges. Years later, there is still no legal way for me to restore my driver's license fully. There are not enough people spreading awareness about this issue. The more we talk about it, the sooner we can create solutions that actually work for survivors like myself; and ultimately, put a stop to the ongoing damage that trafficking does in people's lives even after the abuse itself ends.

- Anastasia Joy

The Solution

Create a statutory mechanism that would allow survivors of sex trafficking and interpersonal violence to appeal adverse driving consequences that occurred because of their victimization, providing relief to survivors facing driving consequences due to their victimization.



There's No Room for Trafficking:

Human Trafficking Impact Litigation in the Hotel Industry

Hotels are in a unique position to combat human trafficking because traffickers frequently utilize hotels to perpetrate commercial sexual exploitation [16]. As such, hotel entities and their staff should be aware of potential instances of human trafficking occurring on the premises. Front desk associates, in-room personnel, security staff, and restaurant and bar staff can each learn to recognize employee-specific indicators of trafficking [17]. Hotels should be motivated to get trained on these issues not only to avoid civil liability, but also criminal liability.

Under the federal human trafficking statute, the U.S. Trafficking Victims Protection Act ("TVPA"), it is a crime to harbor an adult by force, threats of force, fraud, or coercion to cause him or her to engage in a commercial sex act [18]. For purposes of prosecution, it is sufficient that a hotel employee "harbored" the victim by renting a room to the trafficker knowing or in reckless disregard of the fact that force, threat of force, fraud, or coercion were being used to cause an adult victim to engage in commercial sex. For minor victims, it is sufficient for prosecutors to show that a hotel employee rented a room to the trafficker knowing or in reckless disregard of the fact that a minor was engaging in commercial sex in that hotel [19]. Because of this, a hotel and its owner can be criminally prosecuted under the federal sex trafficking statute if they knowingly benefitted from a venture perpetuating human trafficking [20].

Civil liability is another important tool in combatting trafficking. While money will not rectify the atrocities that survivors have faced, financial compensation eases some of the burdens that survivors need to overcome to regain control over their lives. Additionally, bringing these high-profile civil cases to the public eye increases public awareness of the issue of sex trafficking [21]. The more informed the public is about the trafficking happening in their communities, the more likely it is that litigation will arise, putting pressure on the hotels perpetrating and benefitting from human trafficking.

Importantly, in February of 2023, the Days Inn in Philadelphia agreed to pay a \$24 million settlement to eight survivors subjected to human trafficking and objectification on the property [22]. The sex trafficking victimization of the eight survivors occurred over a three-year span. During this time, the hotel did nothing to end the trafficking [23]. One of the plaintiffs' attorneys, Emily Marks, responded to the settlement announcement by stating that "[the traffickers are] incarcerated and now it's time to hold the hotel accountable for what was happening in their hallways." [24] Nadeem Bezar, Mark's partner and CSE Institute Advisory Board member, affirmed that "[t]he victimization of these young girls should not be tolerated . . . It's now time to hold the hotel owners accountable. Plain and simple, this type of activity should not be allowed to go on anywhere" [25].

The CSE Institute urges the hospitality industry to continue to take ownership of this problem and confront it with tangible solutions. These solutions could include mandatory trainings for all management and employees to help them recognize the signs of sex trafficking in hotels and what to do if they suspect human trafficking. The CSE Institute recognizes the need for legislation requiring these types of trainings, policies, and procedures to be implemented in every hotel and motel nationwide. The CSE Institute also urges the industry to stop turning a blind eye to the commercial sexual exploitation happening within their hotels. Instead, hotels and motels should become a leading force in stopping this exploitation altogether.

Moreover, hotels are not the only entity that could be subject to civil liability, [26] and the impact of laws holding those who benefit from human trafficking civilly liable has extended past traditional hotels and motels to include responses from short-term residences and online booking systems. For example, Airbnb became the “first home sharing platform to sign ECPAT’s “The Code to help combat child exploitation” this past National Human Trafficking Prevention Day [27]. Likewise, Booking Holdings’ 2021 Sustainability Report revealed that the corporation will take steps to curb human trafficking across its various platforms, including Booking.com, Priceline, and KAYAK [28].

A potential problem for the future is whether insurers will eventually start to exclude liability for trafficking lawsuits in their policies expressly. If so, exclusion of liability could pose a problem for survivors seeking civil remedies. Specifically, insurance companies are the entities with the funds available to compensate victims adequately. If insurers refuse to pay, then survivors may not have access to large financial settlements they deserve.

History of Impact Litigation in the Hotel Industry



October 2000

Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA): equips the Government with new tools and resources, helps mount a comprehensive and coordinated campaign, and contributes to eliminating modern forms of slavery domestically and internationally through protection, prevention, and prosecution. [29]



2003

Under the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) an individual: “may bring a civil action against the perpetrator (or whoever knowingly benefits, financially or by receiving anything of value from participation in a venture which that person knew or should have known has engaged in an act in violation of this chapter).” [30]



September 2014

Pennsylvania enacts its first anti- trafficking statute, Act 105: expands Pennsylvania’s legal definition of human trafficking provides new and enhanced protections for victims of human trafficking, including a robust civil remedy, and calls for a state plan to coordinate anti-trafficking initiatives. [31]



October 2015

First civil case filed in the U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts, against a hotel or motel for its role in a trafficking crime [32].



October 2017

PA hotel federally indicted for sex trafficking [33].



January 2018

Marriott International mandates human trafficking training for all associates [34].



December 2018



June 2019

Businesses Ending Slavery & Trafficking (BEST) partners with PA Restaurant & Lodging Association to give their “Inhospitable to Human Trafficking” training to all of the PRLA’s hotel members and staff [36].

The TVPRA of 2017 adds provisions focused on: increasing the federal government’s ability to assess foreign government compliance with TVPA minimum standards, effectively encouraging increased collaboration between government and private industry in efforts to prevent and combat human trafficking [35].



June 2021

December 2020

Department of Homeland Security (DHS) releases a toolkit of resources for hotels relating to human trafficking [37].

Hilton International releases its 2020 Human Rights Statement highlighting its commitment to ending human trafficking [38].

December 2021

As of December 31, 2021, trafficking-victim plaintiffs filed 539 civil cases under the TVPRA. Courts ordered more than \$265,009,825 in settlements and judgments for damages [39].



February 2023

Days Inn in Philadelphia settles for \$24 million in sex trafficking civil suit [44]



October 2022

The HOTEL Act of 2022 (H.R. 9217) would require that all hotel employees physically acting on site be trained on human trafficking [42]. HOTEL Act of 2022 referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform [43].



May 2022

A Monroe County, PA hotel owner, and two hotels are convicted of sex and drug trafficking in the Middle District of Pennsylvania. Hotel owner traded sex for discounted rooms for the traffickers [40]. The first time a hotel owner, hotel, or general manager of a hotel is held criminally responsible for aiding in sex trafficking under federal law [41].

Policy Spotlight:

Addressing Illicit Massage Business Through Regulation

The Problem

Illicit massage businesses are human trafficking operations that attempt to disguise themselves as legitimate massage establishments. They are a large source of both sex and labor trafficking in Pennsylvania and nationally [45].

The Solution

Reintroduce 2022 House Bill 2899 “Eliminating Illicit Massage Businesses”, which would require both a valid manager’s license and valid bodywork facility license with the application transmitted to the Pennsylvania State Police, the Department of Human Services, and the FBI for review and criminal history check [46]. It additionally requires facilities to maintain a comprehensive service log tracking customer, service provider, type of service, and other details. It would also ensure that if a bodywork facility is operating illicitly, victims will be provided information and services through the Office of Victims’ Services and the Crime Victims Act.

THERE'S NO ROOM FOR TRAFFICKING IN OUR CULTURE: THE EVOLUTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING MYTHS

An accurate understanding of a problem is integral to create effective solutions. This makes it imperative for stakeholders in the anti-trafficking movement to combat misinformation whenever possible. Awareness about human trafficking has increased in the United States in recent years. It started gaining recognition in the media when The Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TPVA) was passed in 2000.[47] From the early 2000s until 2016, a lot of misinformation regarding trafficking was based on a dominant myth about trafficking – trafficking only happens in foreign countries, much like the 2008 box office hit, *Taken*. [48] Since the success of the film, survivors and advocates for victims of trafficking have been working to debunk common myths about trafficking.

While many still believe the *Taken* myth, in 2016 a new misinformation campaign regarding trafficking began. “Pizzagate” is a conspiracy theory which alleged there was a sex trafficking ring in the basement of a D.C. pizza shop after ‘symbols’ and ‘coded words’ were sent to a campaign staff member of Hillary Clinton. [49] After “Pizzagate,” and the rise of QAnon in 2020, viral conspiracies spread about trafficking and how it happens. [50] Some of these conspiracies have included the furniture company, Wayfair, facilitating trafficking by naming certain items after missing children and selling these ‘items’ (purportedly children) for extremely high prices. This conspiracy was debunked and proven to be spread by QAnon. [51]

Additionally, with the rise of social media and the spread of misinformation, many people have started sharing stories about ‘almost getting trafficked’ with ‘things to look out for’ like white roses on cars or types of vehicles that ‘sex traffickers usually drive.’ [52] Ultimately, the creators sharing this misinformation are likely not intending to harm anyone and are simply hoping for likes and shares. However, they may be using these stories to generate traffic and earn a profit on advertisement revenues. [53]

Misinformation has been around as long as the written word, but it’s only recently taken on a new meaning with the term ‘fake news’ taking hold during the 2016 Presidential campaign. [54] Further, with the expansion of the internet, globalization, and social media, those peddling fake stories realized the potential for traffic and thus profit, and without a reputation to maintain, misinformation has become a commercial enterprise that spreads too fast for those trying to set the record straight. [55]

The reality is that the myths that drive traffic to misinformation websites are harmful to real victims and survivors.

Perpetuating these myths take resources away from victims and survivors, prevents intervention opportunities for victims, and these myths can lead to victims struggling to understand that they may be a victim in a trafficking situation. [56] For example, when the Wayfair conspiracy went viral, the FBI had to stop their trafficking investigations to look into the bogus claims, turning attention and resources away from actual victims in need of help. [57] After “Pizzagate,” in a bulletin, the FBI noted the danger of these conspiracies, stating “these conspiracy theories very likely encourage the targeting of specific people, places, and organizations, thereby increasing the likelihood of violence against these targets.” [58]

With technology constantly changing and growing, understanding how these myths evolve, permeate our everyday lives, and divert resources is important in the continued fight to end sexual exploitation.

ORGANIZATIONS & GROUPS WORKING AGAINST COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION IN PENNSYLVANIA

The following is not an exhaustive list and does not constitute an endorsement of any agency or services provided. There are new anti-exploitation organizations forming all across the Commonwealth annually. If your organization is missing from this list, please contact us.

Organization	Web Address
Abuse Network, The	http://www.abusenetwork.org/
A Child's Place (Mercy Health Center)	https://www.achildsplacepa.org/
A Safe Place, Inc.	http://www/fjc.org/resources/county-resource-guide/forest/safe-place-inc-forest-and-warren-counties
A Way Out	http://www.myawayout.org/
A Woman's Place	http://awomansplace.org/who/contact.html
Abuse & Rape Crisis Center	http://arcceducation.wix.com/arcc#!service/c1pna
ACCESS York, YWCA York	http://ywcayork.org/
Adams County Children's Advocacy Center	https://www.kidsagaincac.org/index.html
Alice Paul House	http://www.alicepaulhouse.org/
Beaver County Anti Human Trafficking Coalition	http://bcantihumantraffickingcoalition.weebly.com/
Berks Women in Crisis	berkswomenincrisis.org
Blackburn Center	http://www.bl
Bloom Bangor	bloombangor.org/about
Bradley H. Foulk Children's Advocacy Center fo Erie County, Inc., The	http://www.cacerie.org/
Bucks Coalition Against Trafficking	http://bcatpa.org/
Bucks County Children's Advocacy Center	http://buckscac.com/
Bulter County Alliance for Children - Child Advocacy Center	http://www.butlercountycac.org/
Cambria County Child Advocacy Center	http://www.cambriacac.org/
C.A.P.S.E.A., Inc.	http://capsea.org/
Carbon & Luzerne County Domestic Violence Service Center	http://domesticviolenceservice.org/
Care Center of Indiana County, The	http://carecenterofindianaco.org/
Centre County Women's Resource Center	tp://ccwrc.org/
Chester County Anti-Trafficking Coalition (CCAT)	https://sites.google.com/site/ccatsite/
Chester County Child Advocacy Center	http://www.chesco.org/1610/child-abuse
Children's Advocacy Center of Centre County, Mount Nittany Health	https://www.mountnittany.org/childadvocacycenter
Children's Advocacy Center of Lawrence County	https://upmcjameson.com/upmc-jameson-2/childrens-advocacy-center-of-lawrence-county/
Children's Advocacy Center of Lehigh County	https://www.lvhn.org/facilities_directions/hospital_locations/community_clinics/john_van_brakle_child_advocacy_center
Children's Advocacy Center of North Eastern PA	http://cacnepa.org/
Children's Advocacy Center of McKean County	http://www.mckeancountypa.org/departments/children_s_advocacy_center/index.php
Children's Alliance Center of Berks Co.	http://opphouse.org/looking-for-help/child-sexual-abuse-information-forensic-interviews.aspx
Children's Center of Susquehanna & Wyoming Counties	http://www.fsawv.org/childac.php
Children's Home of Easton, The	http://thechildrenshome.org/
Children's House of Pittsburgh of UPMC	http://www.chp.edu/our-services/child-advocacy-center
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	http://www.chop.edu/
Compassionate Humans Against Trafficking	http://fightwithchat717.wix.com/chat - !more-about-us/c1sxh
Congreso	http://www.congreso.net/

Organization	Web Address
Covenant House	http://www.covenanthousepa.org/
Crisis Victims' Center of Chester County	http://www.cvcofcc.org/
Crisis Victims' Center of Erie County	http://www.cvcerie.org/
Crisis Victims' Center of Fayette County	http://www.crimevictimscenter.com/
Crisis Victims Council of Lehigh County	https://cvclv.org/
Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County	http://crisissshelter.org/
Dawn's Place	http://ahomefordawn.org/
Delaware County Children's Advocacy Center	http://www.delcochildrensadvocacycenter.org/
Delaware County Women Against Rape	http://www.delcowar.org/
Department of Human Services	http://www.dhs.pa.gov/
Department of Transportation	http://www.penndot.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Domestic Violence Center of Chester County	http://www.dvccc.com/
Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland & Perry Counties	http://www.dvscp.org/
East Side Laser Center	https://eastsidelasercenter.com/the-erase-project
Eden's Farm	http://edensfarm.org
Faith Alliance Against Slavery & Trafficking	https://faastinternational.org/
Geisinger Child Advocacy Center	https://www.geisinger.org/patient-care/conditions-treatments-special-ty/2018/12/03/17/04/child-safety-and-advocacy
Gwen's Girls	http://www.gwensgirls.org/
HAVEN of Tioga County, Inc.	http://havenoftiogacounty.org/
Helping All Victims In Need (HAVIN)	http://havinpa.org/
Huntingdon House	http://www.huntingdonhouse.org/
Joseph J. Peters Institute, The (JJPI)	http://www.jjp.org/
Justice at Work (formerly Friends of Farmworkers)	https://www.justiceatworklegalaid.org/
KidsPeace	https://www.kidspeace.org/pennsylvania/
Lancaster Anti-Trafficking Network (LATN)	https://www.facebook.com/LancasterAntiTraffickingNetwork/
Lancaster County CASE Task Force	https://co.lancaster.pa.us/705/C-A-S-E
Lancaster County Children's Alliance	http://lancastergeneralhealth.org/LGH/Our-Services/childrens-Advoca-cy-Center.aspx
Lancaster Initiative Against Human Trafficking (LIGHT)	facebook.com/LIGHT-Lancaster-Initiative-aGainst-Human-Traffick-ing-186767311856/
Lawrence County Crisis Shelter	http://crisissshelter.org/
Lehigh Valley Community Foundation	https://www.lehighvalleyfoundation.org/
Lighthouse Counseling Services, LLC	https://www.lighthousecounselingpa.com/
Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Pennsylvania	https://www.lutheranadvocacypa.org/
Luzerne County Child Advocacy Center	https://www.luzernecountycac.org/
Mid-Atlantic Dream Center	http://midatlanticdreamcenter.org
Mission Kids	http://missionkidscac.org/
Montgomery County Anti-Trafficking Coalition (MCAT)	https://www.mcatpa.org/
Nationalities Service Center, Anti-Human Trafficking Project	http://nscphila.org/our-work/special-initiatives/anti-human-trafficking
Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA)	https://www.novabucks.org/
Not In My Back Yard (NIMBY)	https://nimby.me/what-we-do/
Northeast Regional Child Advocacy Center	https://www.nrcac.org/
North Penn Legal Services	https://www.northpennlegal.org/
North Star Initiative	https://northstarinitiative.org/
Oasis of Hope	https://www.oasisofhopeusa.org/
Over the Rainbow Children's Advocacy Center	https://overtherainbowcac.org/
Partners for Justice	http://lchscast.weebly.com
Partnership to End Human Trafficking	https://peht.org/

Organization	Web Address
PathWays PA	http://www.pathwayspa.org/
Peace Promise	https://www.peacepromise.org/
Pennsylvania Alliance Against Trafficking in Humans - 15 (PAATH-15)	http://www.educateandadvocate-paath.com/
Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV)	https://www.pcadv.org/
Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape (PCAR)	https://pcar.org/
Pennsylvania Public Transportation Association	http://www.ppta.net/pages/traffickingtraining/index.html
Philadelphia Anti-Trafficking Coalition	http://patcoalition.org/
Philadelphia Children's Alliance	https://www.philachildrensalliance.org/
Philadelphia Commission for Women	https://beta.phila.gov/departments/commission-for-women/
PinnacleHealth Children's Resource Center	https://www.pinnaclehealth.org/locations/office/6685-pinnaclehealth-children-s-resource-center
Pittsburgh Action Against Rape	https://paar.net/
PPC Violence Free Network	http://www.fscas.org/ppc-vfn.htm
Salvation Army New Day Drop-In Center	https://pa.salvationarmy.org/greater-philadelphia/NewDay
She's Somebody's Daughter	http://shessomebodysdaughter.org/
Schuylkill Community Action	https://schuylkillcommunityaction.com/
Survivor Alliance for Growth & Employment	https://thesurvivorsalliance.org
Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.	http://www.splas.org/index-2.html
Sparrow Place	https://www.sparrowplace.org/
Sullivan County Victim Services	http://www.sulcovs.org/
Survivors, Inc.	http://enddvsa.org/
Transitions of PA	https://www.transitionsofpa.org/
Truth for Women - Truth Home	http://truthforwomen.org/purpose/
Turning Point of Lehigh Valley	http://www.turningpointlv.org/
Valley Against Sex Trafficking (VAST)	http://vast.ngo/
Valley Youth House	https://www.valleyyouthhouse.org/locations/bucks-county-shelter/
Victims Intervention Program of Wayne & Pike Counties	http://www.vipempowers.org/
Victim Outreach Intervention Center of Butler County	https://www.voiceforvictims.com/
Victim Resource Center of Carbon County	https://vrcnepa.org/
Victim Resource Center of Luzerne County	http://www.vrcnepa.org/index.php
Victim Resource Center of Wyoming County	http://www.vrnepa.org/index.php
Well of Bucks County, The	http://worthwhilewear.org
Western PA Anti-Trafficking Coalition (WPAHTC)	https://www.facebook.com/WPAHTC
Western PA CARES for Kids	http://www.carescac.org/
Women Against Abuse	https://www.womenagainstabuse.org/
Women's Center of Beaver County	https://www.womenscenterbc.org/
Women's Center of Montgomery County	http://www.wcmontco.com
Women in Need	http://winservices.org/
Women Organized Against Rape	https://www.woar.org/
Women's Resource Center, Inc.	https://wrcnepa.org/
Women's Resource Center of Monroe County	http://www.wrmonroe.org/
Women's Services, Inc. (Crawford County)	https://www.womensservicesinc.com/
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