



CRIMINAL SENTENCING COMMISSION

Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor, Chair • Sara Andrews, Director

Vision: To enhance justice

Mission: To ensure fair sentencing in the State of Ohio

To fulfill its vision, the Ohio Criminal Sentencing Commission will develop and recommend sentencing policy to the General Assembly that is designed to:

- Advance public safety
- Realize fairness in sentencing
- Preserve meaningful judicial discretion
- Distinguish the most efficient and effective use of correctional resources
- Provide a meaningful array of sentencing options

The Ohio Criminal Sentencing Commission will achieve its mission by:

- Analyzing current adult and juvenile criminal statutes and law in Ohio and other states
- Studying sentencing patterns and outcomes and balancing the needs of criminal sentencing and available correctional resources
- Researching and recommending evidence based approaches to reducing recidivism
- Recommending reasonable and specific criminal justice reforms