

Chair and Vice-Chair Information

This document will provide information the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair and on those individuals who are interested in serving in those positions for the Task Force on Mandatory Minimum Sentences.

Responsibilities

Chair

- Preside over task force meetings and any public hearings
- Ensure open meeting law requirements are followed
- Work with staff to develop meeting agendas and overall timeline
 - Attend all planning meetings in between task force meetings
 - Ensure that the work of the task force meets statutory deadlines
 - Ensure that the task force addresses all requirements in its charge
 - Draw upon the expertise of appointed members
- Serve as a point of contact for researchers conducting the research components of the task force's charge
- Work with staff to develop the framework for the final report
- If requested, present task force recommendations at legislative hearings
- Other responsibilities as needed

Vice-Chair

- Preside over task force meetings and any public hearings in the chair's absence
- Attend all planning meetings in between task force meetings
- Assist the Chair in carrying out their responsibilities

Applicants

Nate Reitz

- I've served as the Executive Director of the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission since 2014. Before joining the MSGC, I was a Rice County felony prosecutor for about 15 years and had earlier served as a defense attorney and prosecutor in the U.S. Army. I was also a military judge in the Army Reserve before I retired in 2019.

Morgan Kunz

- Morgan Kunz is a 2006 graduate from New York Law School. He started his legal career representing the City of New York and NYPD in federal court. In 2014, Morgan returned to his home state of Minnesota and became a prosecutor in the Hennepin County Attorney's Office. Morgan initially focused on complex financial crimes and went on to handle a wide range of adult criminal cases. In 2019, he shifted to the juvenile area. Morgan became manager of the HCAO juvenile prosecution division in 2023. In 2025, he returned to the adult area of the HCAO as Director of the Criminal Division. In that role, Morgan oversees the HCAO's criminal divisions, works on policy development, and collaborates with justice partners on system improvements.
- Having worked with law enforcement for nearly 20 years – on both civil and criminal cases – I am very interested in ways that we can make our system work better. I have seen the good and the bad of our system of justice. I am excited to closely examine mandatory minimums and analyze their impact on public safety and equitable outcomes. I am a very organized person, and I have experience working with groups on complex projects. I have extensive experience in collecting, analyzing, and using data to make policy decisions. I am also a collaborative person. I believe it is important to listen to the views of others, examine your own views, and to try to reach consensus. I would bring these skills and values with me to the work of the task force.