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Live webinar hosted via Zoom Webinar

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12:00 PM       Introduction & Welcome

12:05 PM       Overview of National Trends in Disability Employment (nTIDE) Jobs Report Release
Andrew Houtenville, UNH Institute on Disability, John O’Neill, Kessler Foundation

12:15 PM       Announcements from the field of Disability Employment, Interviewee from the Field
Denise Rozell, Director of Policy Innovation, AUCD

12:30 PM       Guest Presentation:
Jennifer Mathis, Director of Policy and Legal Advocacy, Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law

12:45 PM       Open Question & Answer period for attendees

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Guest Presenter:

Jennifer Mathis, JD, is Deputy Legal Director and Director of Policy and Legal Advocacy of the Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law where she engages in litigation and policy advocacy to promote community integration of individuals with mental disabilities, other non-discrimination work under the ADA and Section 504, and the Medicaid rights of adults and children with disabilities.

Ms. Mathis helped coordinate the amicus briefs filed in the Supreme Court in the case of Olmstead v. L.C. She also served on the team of disability community negotiators who worked with the business community to craft what became the ADA Amendments Act of 2008.

Ms. Mathis left the Bazelon Center for one year to serve as special assistant to EEOC Commissioner Chai Feldblum in 2010-2011; in that role, she helped draft regulations implementing the ADAAA. Before joining the Bazelon Center, Ms. Mathis conducted litigation involving ADA, Section 504, the Fair Housing Act, and Title XIX claims with the Disabilities Law Project in Pittsburgh. She also practiced with a private law firm where she pursued litigation on a broad range of civil rights issues.

Ms. Mathis holds an A.B. from Harvard University, an M.A. from New York University, and a J. D. from Georgetown University Law Center.

Monthly nTIDE Presenters:

Andrew Houtenville, PhD is an Associate Professor of Economics and Research Director of the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire. Dr. Houtenville is extensively involved in disability statistics and employment policy research. He has published widely in the areas of disability statistics and the economic status of people with disabilities. He is the Principal Investigator on the NIDILRR-funded Employment Policy and Measurement Rehabilitation and Research Training Center. Dr. Houtenville received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of New Hampshire in 1997 and was a National Institute on Aging Post-Doctoral Fellow at Syracuse University in 1998/1999. He was also a Senior Research Associate at Cornell University and New Editions Consulting in McLean, Virginia.

John O'Neill, PhD is the director of employment and disability research at Kessler Foundation and has over 28 years of experience in vocational rehabilitation as a rehabilitation counselor educator, disability employment researcher, and advisor to state vocational rehabilitation agencies. Dr. O'Neill has been a PI or co-PI on six NIDILRR funded, five year research and training centers focusing on TBI and community integration, disability statistics,
disability employment service system, and how individual and contextual factors relate to employment outcomes among people with disabilities.

Denise M. Rozell is the Director of Policy Innovation at the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD). Prior to joining AUCD, she spent fifteen years as Assistant Vice President for State Government Relations with Easter Seals. Denise was the primary resource to Easter Seals 75 affiliates in building capacity to increase awareness of and support for Easter Seals in state government. Prior to that, Denise was the Executive Director of the Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired, an international membership organization for the professionals serving individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Denise also was the Governmental Relations Representative for the American Foundation for the Blind and the Director of Public Policy for the National Association of Developmental Disabilities Councils, the membership organization representing the 55 state and territorial Developmental Disabilities Councils. Denise holds a bachelor’s degree in political science from Occidental College in Los Angeles and a juris doctorate from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California in Berkeley.