

**1906CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY  
EAST CLEVELAND CITY SCHOOLS  
PROVOST SCHOLARS  
Intensive University Seminar  
Session Seventeen – Spring 2018  
March 1, 2018  
2:30 - 5:00 p.m.  
Guilford House, 11112 Bellflower Road, Cleveland, OH 44106**

**Seminar Title: Know Your Rights When The Police stop You**

**Purpose:** This seminar will be presented as a conversation about how the Provost Scholars can effectively, but assertively, affirm their rights when interacting with law enforcement officers. The session will also include discussions about how police interactions can vary and the approaches that the Provost Scholars could use to protect themselves while exercising their rights and remaining safe.

**Presenter Biography:**



**Ms. Emma Keeshin**, the legal assistant at the American Civil Liberties Union of Ohio (ACLU of OH)<sup>1</sup>, assumed her current role in May 2016. As a legal assistant, she completes investigations and assists the ACLU of Ohio's lawyers with legal intakes that could impact litigation. She also does policy work around policing, including tracking progress in the Cleveland consent decree<sup>2</sup>. She is particularly interested in criminal and racial justice issues, the school-to-prison pipeline, juvenile justice, and mass incarceration. Ms. Keeshin studied Politics, Law and Society at Oberlin College (Oberlin, OH). She has also taught in the Oberlin Public Schools and provided leadership for a student group for aspiring educators that explored issues such as school privatization and discriminatory discipline practices.

**Objectives: At the end of the session, the Provost Scholars will be able to:**

- (1) Discuss their civil rights when interacting with law enforcement officers.
- (2) Describe communication strategies that could be used to constructively and safely assert their civil rights.

**Agenda**

2:30 p.m. – 3:55 p.m.: Tutoring  
3:55 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Brief Intermission  
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: Emma Keeshin, Legal Assistant at the ACLU of Ohio  
5:00 p.m.: Transporting the Provost Scholars Home

**Faculty & Staff**

- Dr. Faye Gary, Program Director
- Ms. Katrice Williams, Program Coordinator
- Mr. David Van Leer, Volunteer, and Retired School Principal
- Brandon Vu, Graduate Student, Work Study Assistant, School of Medicine
- CWRU Tutors

**Word of the Week:**

- **Word: Enforce:** The act of compelling observance of or compliance with a law, rule, or obligation.
- **Sentence:** Legislators make the laws and police enforce them, but enforcement also means high regard for the individual's civil rights.
- **Reference:** Webster's All-In-One Dictionary and Thesaurus (2013). Springfield: Merriam-Webster, Inc.

**Concierges and Maître'd:** Leandre Smith, Carmen Philips, and Mason Higgins

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<sup>1</sup> The mission of the ACLU of Ohio is to aid in maintaining and extending constitutional and other fundamental rights, liberties, privileges, and immunities and to take all legitimate action in furtherance of that object without political partnership.

<sup>2</sup> The Cleveland Consent Decree is an agreement between the U.S. Department of Justice and the City of Cleveland to ensure the Cleveland Police Department reforms certain practices and policies that may endanger the welfare of the public.