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For more than 40 years, Dr. Carmichael has worked with the three branches of Texas state government to achieve evidence-informed criminal justice policy. She has led statewide studies documenting the school-to-prison pipeline and evaluating strategies for high-quality and cost-effective indigent defense. She is currently evaluating the cost impacts of bail reform following the landmark federal court ruling in ODonnell et al v. Harris County (2020).

- Over \$20 Million in funding secured for research; ranked among the top 5% of funded researchers in the Texas A&M University System.
- Cited by SCOTUS Justice David Suter in *Rothgery v. Gillespie County* (2008) which established arrestees' rights to an attorney at the probable cause hearing.
- Cited in 3 amicus briefs for the US Supreme Court Case, *Fisher v. University of Texas at Austin* (2016), in defense of race-conscious admission policies.
- Awarded the State Bar of Texas Michael K. Moore Award for Excellence in Research in Indigent Criminal Defense (2015).
- Cited by President Barak Obama when announcing his "My Brother's Keeper" initiative (2014).



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