



PreENTRY

Pretrial Expectations for Next Transitions - Readyng Yourself

An informational session with staff from the Federal Bureau of Prisons & U.S. Probation Officers to help defendants and their families prepare for a possible term of incarceration.

**January 13, 2026
5:00-6:30 p.m.**

Virtual via Zoom

Friends & Family (18+) Welcome

Pre-registration Required

See attached letter for further information, or contact:

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To Whom it May Concern:

The U.S. Probation & Pretrial Offices in the Districts of Maine and Rhode Island, in cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Prisons, is pleased to present PreENTRY: Pretrial Expectations & Next Transitions – Readyng Yourself, a virtual informational session to help prepare defendants and/or their families for presentence investigations, possible commitment to a federal prison facility, and supervision expectations, either as a period of probation or a later term of supervised release.

U.S. Probation Officers from both the presentence and post-conviction units will be present to discuss the process for the presentence report and what to expect during probation or supervised release. Representatives from the Federal Bureau of Prisons will provide information on expectations and procedures for incarceration in a federal facility, to include how family and friends can best support them while in custody. Finally, a former federal inmate will be invited to discuss his experiences in custody and on supervision.

Because your time is valuable and transportation is often a concern, this session is being offered virtually using the Zoom platform. You or your family members (18+ please) may remain anonymous to other attendees by entering “Anonymous” as your display name and leaving your camera off, however, in order to receive an invitation, participants must initially provide your name and a valid e-mail address. Attendance through a laptop/desktop device is recommended for ease of accessing the chat feature for questions, but you will still be able to connect and observe using only the phone app. Questions may also be submitted in advance to the undersigned or your assigned officer. Participants will be provided a short online survey after the meeting so we can better tailor future sessions based on your feedback.

Please reach out to Andy Montan in Rhode Island at 401-752-7322 or andy_montan@rip.uscourts.gov or myself in Maine at 207-317-9002 or jennifer_metcalf@mep.uscourts.gov for questions or to register.

Respectfully,

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