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**Subject:** RE: Action Plan

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Hi Katie. What's the location of the talk? Providence?

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**To:** Cardoza, Katie [REDACTED]; Michael Oppenheimer [REDACTED]  
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Dear Katie and Professor Oppenheimer,

I'm writing to put you in touch for planning the session on climate science for judges in Rhode Island in September. Professor Oppenheimer, thank you so much for being available to do this. Let me know how I can support any aspects of this event going forward!

Best,  
Sandy

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**From:** Cardoza, Katie [REDACTED]  
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**From:** Sandra Nichols Thiam [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** Re: Action Plan

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Hi Katie,

So thrilled to hear that Senator Whitehouse and that Professor Wyman confirmed! It is going to be an amazing event!

Professor Vinhaterio's work sounds very interesting. Based on the description of his areas of focus, though it seems like the content he would cover would be very closely tied to the topics that Julia Wyman would cover. If you want the broader context of causes and implications of climate change, tying the bigger picture to the situation in Rhode Island, I would suggest Professor Oppenheimer. We would be pleased to reach out to him if you decide to go that route!

Thanks for reaching out!

Sandy

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**From:** Cardoza, Katie [REDACTED]  
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Good morning, Sandy.

Judge Montalbano and I have been working to assemble the panel for the judicial conference and we could use some guidance selecting our final speaker.

We have confirmed that Sen. Whitehouse will be speaking. Per his office, his remarks will focus on the intersection of dark money, climate change and the corporate capture of the US Supreme Court.

Julia Wyman, the Director of Marine Affairs Institute & RI Sea Grant Legal Program at Roger Williams School of Law has also agreed to speak. Her remarks will be directed toward climate change issues in Rhode Island and current and future legal issues.

It seems to me we are missing the "science and data" aspect of our program.

To that end, we are considering asking either Michael Oppenheimer (your recommendation) or Nathan Vinhaterio, the Science Director at the URI Coastal Institute. <https://ci.uri.edu/meet/nathan-vinhateiro-phd/>. Might you have any input into who might best suit our needs?

I appreciate any assistance you might provide.