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David Brown served as an Assistant City Prosecutor for the City of Baton Rouge from 2009 to 2013. He met hundreds of defendants every week, who were overwhelmingly African-American and unable to afford a lawyer. Their offenses were primarily drug-related, mostly simple possession of marijuana. Many individuals had no access to counsel and entered guilty pleas. Over time, David saw many defendants cycle through the system and learned that drug convictions were blocking

them from finding employment, education, and housing.

Brown is an alumnus of Vermont Law School. He received an advanced degree in plant biology and environmental studies at Louisiana State University. During this time, he helped launch the campus chapter of Students for Sensible Drug Policy and the Cannabis Action Network of Louisiana.

He currently runs his own law practice and splits his time between Louisiana and Washington state.

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