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NYU McSilver Announces 2019 Fellows-in-Residence: Dr. Le’Roy Reese and Harry Siegel

NEW YORK, NY — January 29, 2018 — The McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research at New York University has announced that psychologist Le’Roy Reese and journalist Harry Siegel are the 2019 McSilver Fellows-in-Residence. The McSilver Institute Fellowship engages nationally-recognized social justice scholars and thought leaders across disciplines to conduct research projects, publish books and papers, conduct courses, and participate in seminars, conferences, and workshops.

“Dr. Reese and Harry Siegel are highly regarded within their respective fields and will be invaluable resources to McSilver as we seek to broaden our research, scholarship, and thought leadership relating to inequality; particularly for racial, gender and economic disparities,” said Michael A. Lindsey, PhD, MSW, MPH, executive director of the McSilver Institute.

**Le’Roy Reese, Ph.D.,** is an associate professor at Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM) in the Department of Community Health and Preventive Medicine. He is the principal investigator and director of the Smart and Secure Children Parent Leadership program within the Kennedy Satcher Center for Mental Health Equity. Dr. Reese also co-directs the Pediatric Clinical and Translational Research Core within MSM’s Clinical Research Center. Prior to joining MSM, Dr. Reese was a senior scientist and team leader at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at the National Center for Injury Control, Division of Violence Prevention. He has also served on the White House Council on Youth Violence. He maintains a pediatric clinical and forensic practice, working primarily with African American adolescent males. Dr. Reese received his bachelor of arts from the College of Wooster and his doctorate from The Ohio State University. He completed his training at the University of Illinois Medical School’s Institute for Juvenile Research in the Department of Psychiatry.

“Access to quality healthcare and safe housing, among other considerations, is often the key to health equity. Too often, poverty arrests that access and there are few places examining the intersection of physical and mental health, quality of life and poverty like the McSilver Institute. The opportunity to work with this group of scholars, policy leaders and change agents is energizing and I look forward to sharing in this work,” said Dr. Reese.

**Harry Siegel** is a senior editor at The Daily Beast and weekly columnist at the New York Daily News. Co-author of *The Prince of the City: Giuliani, New York and the Genius of American Life*, Siegel has served previously as editor-in-chief of *New York Press*, a senior editor at Politico and the opinion page editor of *The New York Sun*. He has been an editorial board member of the *New York Sun* and *New York Daily News*, and a Knight Wallace Fellow at the University of Michigan. He teaches journalism at Brooklyn College, and holds a bachelor’s degree in history and European studies from Brandeis University. Siegel is co-host of *FAQ NYC*, the weekly podcast about how—and why—New York City works, which is housed at the McSilver Institute.

“I am both humbled and thrilled to join the McSilver Institute, whose work on poverty and policy is more urgent than ever in these politically fraught times,” said Siegel.
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