

### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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# Virtual Public Briefing Civil Rights and Protections in the Federal Response to Hurricanes María and Harvey

On Friday, June 25, 2021, at 12 pm Eastern Time, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a virtual briefing on the civil rights implications of the federal response and impact of Hurricanes María in Puerto Rico and Harvey in Texas. At this public briefing, the Commissioners will hear from subject matter experts such as government officials, volunteer organizations, non-governmental advocates, and academics.

WHAT: Virtual Public Briefing

WHO: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

WHEN: Friday, June 25, 2021 12:00 pm – 2:55 pm Eastern Time (ET)

WHERE: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/USCCR/videos">https://www.youtube.com/user/USCCR/videos</a>

Written testimony and other materials can be found on the Commission's website here.

#### **AGENDA**

# Civil Rights and Protections in the Federal Response to Hurricanes María and Harvey

12:00 pm – 2:55 pm All times Eastern Time

- I. Introductory Remarks by Chair Norma V. Cantú and Commissioners Debo Adegbile and Michael Yaki: 12:00 – 12:07 pm
- **II. Panel 1:** 12:07 1:32 pm
  - David Bibo, Acting Assoc. Administrator, Response & Recovery, FEMA
  - Tony Robinson, Region 6 Administrator, FEMA
  - Glenn Sklar, Principal Deputy Inspector General, DHS OIG

- Stephen Begg, Deputy Inspector General, HUD OIG
- Chris Currie, Director, Homeland Security & Justice, USGAO
- Tevi Troy, Author, BPC Senior Fellow, & Former HHS Deputy Secretary
- Jo Linda Johnson, Director, Office of Equal Rights, FEMA
- **III. Break:** 1:32 1:42 pm
- **IV. Panel 2:** 1:42 2:48 pm
  - Kira Romero-Craft, Director of the Southeast Region for LatinoJustice PRLDEF, LatinoJustice
  - Andrés Gallegos, Chairman, National Council on Disability
  - Nicole Roy, Project Coordinator, Salvation Army
  - Charley Willison, Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard Medical School

## V. Closing Remarks by Chair Norma V. Cantú: 2:48 – 2:55 pm

## VI. Adjourn Meeting.

\* Schedule is subject to change.

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