



**Information on Open Public Comment Period  
U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Public Briefing:**

***Racial Disparities in Violent Crime Victimization in the United States***

**Friday, November 17, 2023**

**National Place Building, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425 (Entrance on F St. NW)**

On November 17, 2023, in Washington, DC, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a [public briefing](#) to examine the federal government's role in collecting data and addressing racial disparities in violent crime victimization as an important dimension of the fair administration of justice.

We invite members of the public in attendance to address the Commission during an open comment session that will begin at 4:25 pm and run until 5:55 pm (ET), or when all speakers have addressed the Commission. Each individual will have up to five minutes to speak, with spots allotted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Those wishing to speak can register both online and in-person at the briefing. The Commission will do its best to accommodate as many speakers as possible, but due to time constraints may not be able to hear from all members of the. Please note that seating capacity is limited. Persons with disabilities who need accommodation should contact [access@usccr.gov](mailto:access@usccr.gov) at least two business days before the date of the briefing.

**Online registration:**

To secure a limited advance-registration five-minute speaking slot please visit: <https://wkf.ms/46iVQ8>. Registration will remain open until 9:00 am on November 17.

*An individual who successfully registers online must be physically present for the public comment session no later than 4 pm on November 17, or risk forfeiting the slot.*

**In person registration, Friday, November 17, 2023:**

Individuals will have the opportunity to sign up for a limited number of five-minute speaking slots, in person, the day of the briefing, beginning at 9:00 am ET. *(Please note: Individuals are **not** required to pre-register or RSVP to attend the briefing.)*

**Submission of written comments:**

The Commission also welcomes submission of written material for consideration. Please submit to [victimsofcrime@usccr.gov](mailto:victimsofcrime@usccr.gov) no later than December 15, 2023.; or by mail to: OCRE/Public Comments, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425.