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The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Announces the Appointment of Advisory Committee Members for Two States

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights congratulates the following individuals on their appointments as members of two of our state Advisory Committees, in Connecticut and Delaware, effective June 2020.

Advisory Committees have recently [examined](#) education funding, school discipline disparities, policing practices, mental health and the criminal justice system, legal financial obligations, human trafficking, fair housing, hate crimes, voting rights, and collateral consequences of criminal convictions. In addition to advising the Commission, Advisory Committee reports have contributed to policy changes at the national, state and local levels.

The Connecticut Advisory Committee to the Commission most recently issued an [Advisory Memorandum on Connecticut's Prosecutorial Practices](#), in which the Committee, based on the racial disparities in the state's criminal justice and correctional systems, examined the prosecutorial appointment process and prosecutorial practices more broadly in the state to determine whether they contribute to racial disparities.

The Delaware Advisory Committee to the Commission most recently issued [Implicit Bias and Policing of Communities of Color in Delaware](#), in which the Committee examined the nature and possible role of implicit bias in policing activities, strategies, and engagement in communities of color.

For the state of Connecticut:

David McGuire, Chair; Ingrid Alvarez-DiMarzo; Saud Anwar; Anthony Ciolli; Chris Corgel; Charles Gardner; Mark Gius; Venesia Hurtubise; Melanie Rausch; Cheryl Sharp; Stephanie Storms; John Tanski; Susan Toliver; Michael Werner; and Olivia White.

For the state of Delaware:

Calvin Christopher, Chair; Brad Baldia; Danielle Craig; Brian DeMott; Susan Dixon; Matthew Meyer; Samuel Moultrie; Corinthia Pierce; Mark Purpura; Javonne Rich; Trish Rodriguez; Bradley Skelcher; Enid Wallace-Simms; and Leland Ware.

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The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, established by the Civil Rights Act of 1957, is the only independent, bipartisan agency charged with advising the President and Congress on civil rights and reporting annually on federal civil rights enforcement. Our 51 state Advisory Committees offer a broad perspective on civil rights concerns at state and local levels. The Commission: in our 7th decade, a continuing legacy of influence in civil rights. Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).