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### **U.S. CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION CHARTERS VIRGINIA STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**WASHINGTON, DC** - The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights has appointed 13 people to its Virginia State Advisory Committee.

Martin Dannenfelser, staff director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, announced the appointment of Linda Chavez of Purcellville, Angela Ciccolo of Ashburn, Edmund Cooke of Fairfax Station, Toa Do of Falls Church, Louisa Coan Greve of Alexandria, Alex Gulotta of Charlottesville, Curt Levey of Arlington, Miriam Moore of Alexandria, Cameron Quinn of Arlington, Jeanene Sims of Ashburn, Ryung Suh of Vienna, Hans von Spakovsky of Vienna, and Lacy Ward, Jr. of Farmville to the Virginia State Advisory Committee. The Commission appointed Linda Chavez as Chair. The appointments are for two years.

Congress has directed the Commission to establish advisory committees in all states and the District of Columbia to assist in its fact-finding function. These committees receive reports, suggestions, and recommendations from individuals, public and private organizations, and public officials, and forward advice and recommendations to the Commission. Members of State Advisory Committees serve without compensation, conduct civil rights reviews and investigations, and report to the Commission.

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*The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is an independent, bipartisan agency charged with monitoring federal civil rights enforcement. Members include Chairman Gerald A. Reynolds, Vice Chair Abigail Thernstrom, Commissioners Todd Gaziano, Gail Heriot, Peter N. Kirsanow, Arlan D. Melendez, Ashley L. Taylor, Jr., and Michael Yaki. Martin Dannenfelser is the Staff Director. Commission meetings are open to the general public. The Commission's website is <http://www.usccr.gov>.*