

Information on Public Comment Session

U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Public Briefing: In the Name of Hate: Examining the Federal Government's Role in Responding to Hate Crimes

May 11, 2018

The Commission will hold a public briefing on hate crimes and bias-related incidents on Friday, May 11, 2018, at our headquarters in Washington, DC. Please see full details at: http://www.usccr.gov/press/2018/05-11-PR-Sunshine-Act-Notice.pdf

Members of the public who wish to address the Commission will have an opportunity to do so during an open public comment session that will take place between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. EST. Thirty (30) spots will be available during this one and one-half hour period. Each individual will have up to three (3) minutes to speak, with spots allotted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Individuals will be able to register for open comment session speaking slots, both online and at the briefing (in-person). Please see options below.

Online Registration:

On Wednesday, May 9, beginning at 9:00 am EST, individuals will be able to register to speak, online at <u>Eventbrite</u>. This registration option will remain open until ten (10) slots are filled, and no later than 12:00 pm EST on Friday, May 11. An individual who successfully registers online must be physically present at the briefing by 4:30 pm on May 11, or risk forfeiting his/her speaking slot.

In Person, Friday, May 11:

Individuals will have the opportunity to sign up for the remaining twenty (20) speaking slots, in-person, at the briefing, beginning at 3:30 pm EST on Friday, May 11. If the online registration spots are not filled, or individuals who signed up online do not appear to claim their spot, those spots will open up to any further interested participants.

The Commission will also accept written materials for consideration as we prepare our report. Please submit no later than June 11, 2018 to HateCrimes@usccr.gov or mail to: Staff Director/Public Comments, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425.

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