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Missouri Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Issues Public Statement on Events in Ferguson, Missouri

The Missouri State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is carefully monitoring the potential civil rights issues related to the death of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, and the events that followed. The Committee seeks to investigate a number of these issues over the course of the next two years through its public hearing process to address the concerns that are not unique to Ferguson, Missouri, but are prevalent in communities throughout the State of Missouri. The Committee looks forward to hearing from concerned Missouri citizens and working with organizations and other agencies to explore not only what happened but also to prevent such events from occurring in the future.

The Missouri State Advisory Committee is one of 51 advisory committees that is appointed by and provides reports to the United States Commission on Civil Rights. It is comprised of citizens from around the state who were nominated and appointed by Commission. The Commission appointed the current Missouri Committee on July 25, 2014.

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is an independent, bipartisan agency charged with studying and advising the President and Congress on civil rights matters and issuing a federal civil rights enforcement report. For information about the Commission's reports and meetings, visit <http://www.usccr.gov>.

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