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# Bail Reform in Kentucky

#### Hosted By:

Kentucky Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

#### Date:

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#### Time:

12:00 – 2:00 pm ET

#### Location:

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Phone: 1-202-539-8246 TTY: 1-202-376-8116 Online: www.usccr.gov It is estimated that across the United States nearly half a million people who have not been convicted of a crime are held in jail cells. Kentucky's overcrowded county jails are clogged with people who can't afford to post bail.

The Kentucky Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is convening a series of web conference briefings to examine bail reform in Kentucky. The Committee is examining whether pretrial release determinations vary so widely by judges and courts that it violates the constitutional rights of poor persons, women, or communities of color. The Committee is also looking at the effectiveness of the existing risk assessment system and whether it has decreased the use of cash bail in favor of pretrial release.

### To attend call 1-800-367-2403; ID: 6065275

The Committee will have time at end of the briefing to hear from members of the public who are encouraged to share their views and experiences with bail reform. Please join the call early if you wish to speak and keep comments to around 3-5 minutes.

The Committee will hold additional meetings to gather more testimony on this topic. For information regarding upcoming meetings please contact the Regional Programs Unit at the phone numbers to the left.

There might be accompanying visual components to the remote panel via a webinar platform, including presentation slides. You may join the video panel at: https://cc.readytalk.com/r/gxb6a1ovl5kp&eom

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