# U.S. COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS



# Undue Burdens on Employment of Citizens with Criminal Records in Rhode Island

### Hosted By:

The Rhode Island Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

Written Testimony: If you are not able to participate in an online panel, the Committee will also accept written testimony. Written testimony may be emailed to Mallory Trachtenberg at <a href="mailto:mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov">mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov</a> by July 30, 2020.

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#### Regional Programs Unit

Tel: (202) 921-2212 Tel: (202) 809-9618 www.usccr.gov The Rhode Island Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights is launching a series of online public panels to hear testimony regarding undue burdens on employment of citizens with criminal records in the state, with a focus on occupational licensing barriers. These meetings are open to the public. The first panel will be on June 30, 2020, with additional panels to be announced shortly. The Committee will consider occupational licensing barriers and their impact on individuals with criminal records on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, and national origin.

### Tuesday, June 30, 2020

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm ET

To access the meeting, dial 888-256-1007, Conference ID: 2992247\*

The Committee will have a public comment period to hear public testimony at end of the meeting. Members of the public are encouraged to share their perspectives and experiences with occupational licensing barriers for individuals with criminal records during this time. Please join the call early if you wish to speak and keep comments to around 3-5 minutes.

The Committee will hold additional meetings in 2020 to gather additional testimony on this topic. For information regarding upcoming meetings please contact the Regional Programs Unit at the phone numbers to the left. The Committee will issue its findings and recommendations in an advisory memo to the Commission after all testimony has been received.

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<sup>\*</sup>These numbers are for audio only. There might be accompanying visual components to the remote panel via a webinar platform, including presentation slides. Email Mallory Trachtenberg at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov if you would like access to these visual elements and a link will be shared.