U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Public Briefing:
Civil Rights Implications of Disaster Relief: Hurricane María in Puerto Rico

Friday, December 10, 2021
InterAmerican University of Puerto Rico Law School, 170 C. Federico Costas, San Juan, 00918, Puerto Rico
Also live-streaming

Expert Panels: 9:10 a.m. – 12:40 p.m. AST
Open Public Comment Session: 1:40 p.m. – 5:50 p.m. AST

AGENDA

Introductory Remarks: 9:00 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.

Panel 1: 9:10 a.m. - 11:05 a.m.
- Omar Marrero, Secretary of State, Puerto Rico
- Carmen Yulin Cruz Soto, Former Mayor of San Juan & Weissman Center Fellow in Leadership, Mount Holyoke College
- Charlotte Gossett Navarro, Chief Director Puerto Rico Operations, Hispanic Federation
- Sergio Marxuach, Policy Director & General Counsel, Centro para la Nueva Economía
- Cristina Miranda, Executive Director, Liga de Ciudades
- Ever Padilla-Ruiz, Executive Director, Comisión de Derechos Civiles
- Diane Yentel, President/CEO, National Low Income Housing Coalition

Break: 11:05 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Panel 2: 11:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
- Ariadna Michelle Godreau Aubert, Executive Director, Ayuda Legal Puerto Rico
- Tania Rosario Mendez, Executive Director, Taller Salud
- Ruth Santiago, Esq., Comité Dialogo Ambiental
• Carla Minet, Executive Director, Centro de Periodismo Investigativo
• Yarimar Bonilla, Director, Center for Puerto Rican Studies
• Amaris Torres Rivera, Executive Director, Fundación Fondo de Acceso a la Justicia

Break: 12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Public Comment Period: 1:45 p.m. – 5:50 p.m.

• 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 1:45 p.m. and 5:50 pm Atlantic Standard Time (AST). Each individual will have up to five (5) 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). See additional details here.

Break: 3:40 p.m. - 3:50 p.m.

Closing Remarks: 5:55 p.m. - 6 p.m.*

*End time subject to change

**Public Comments will also be accepted through written testimony