



Virtual Public Briefing
The Civil Rights Implications of Cash Bail
February 26, 2021 | Washington, DC

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a virtual briefing on February 26, 2021, on bail reform in the United States. The Commission's investigation seeks to examine the state of bail and pretrial detention practices, including the involvement of the private bail industry, various mechanisms for reform, and the potential regulatory role of the federal government. The Commission will evaluate how cash bail impacts the fair administration of justice and whether it operates in a manner that denies equal protection of the law to individuals on the basis of race or another protected class.

At this public briefing, Commissioners will hear from subject matter experts such as government officials, academics, law enforcement professionals, advocates, and impacted persons. The Commission will accept written materials from the public for consideration as we prepare our report; submit to bailreform@usccr.gov no later than March 26, 2021.

DATE:

Friday, February 26, 2021

LOCATION:

The briefing will be [live-streamed](#).

AGENDA:

Briefing (expert panels): 10:00 am – 1:40 pm ET*

Open Comment Session (public testimony): Written comments submitted to bailreform@usccr.gov by March 26, 2021.

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