### U.S. COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS



# Excessive Use of Force: Disparities and Barriers to Police Accountability in the State of Washington

#### **Public Comment:**

The Committee will have an open period to hear public testimony in the last 20 minutes of each panel. Members of the public are encouraged to share their perspectives and personal experiences with the police during this time. You can participate in the panel with either an internet or phone connection. Access instructions provided upon registration.

#### Written Testimony:

If you are not able to participate in these online panels, the Committee will also accept written testimony emailed to Brooke Peery at bpeery@usccr.gov by Monday, April 19, 2021.

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Tel: (202) 695-8935 Tel: (202) 701-1376 The Washington Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights is hosting a series of online public panels to hear testimony regarding the disproportionate impacts of police use of force and whether specific state laws might obstruct the ability of state or local agencies to correct disparities on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability or national origin. The Committee will consider civil rights concerns with regard to the impact police use of force has on individuals on the basis of race, LGBTQIA and disability status. Through this fact-finding exercise, the Committee will provide recommendations on the legislation and administration of these topics.

## Panel 1— Excessive Use of Force: Disparities and Definitions

Monday, March 15th at 10:00am-12:00pm PST

Register at: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y33qsb50">https://tinyurl.com/y33qsb50</a>

Panel 2— Labor Laws and Arbitration

Wednesday, March 17th at 10:00am-12:00pm PST

Register at: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y58bftxx">https://tinyurl.com/y58bftxx</a>

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