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**California Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
Public Briefing: *Immigration Enforcement Impacting California Children***

On October 16, 2019, in Los Angeles, the California Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will host a public briefing to gather testimony on immigration enforcement impacting California children. Among related concerns, the Committee will receive testimony on the impact of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) enforcement practices on access to public education for California's K-12 students; access to equal protection under the law for individuals based on their perceived national origin; and the extent to which due process is denied to students and their families.

EVENT: California Advisory Committee Public Briefing:
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WHEN: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. PT

WHERE: Los Angeles Central Library, Mark Taper Auditorium
630 West 5th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90071
(Use 524 S. Flower Street entrance)

The Committee invites members of the public in attendance to share their comments and opinions during two open comment sessions, at 11:40 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. The Committee will also accept written testimony submitted to afortes@usccr.gov by November 15, 2019. Following the meeting, the Committee will issue its findings and recommendations in a report to the Commission.

Brian Moriguchi, Vice Chair of the Committee, stated: "ICE enforcement has been widely viewed as a national issue, but its impact is felt at the local level. We want to have an open and safe discussion regarding the impact of ICE enforcement on California communities and welcome public participation at our briefing."

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The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, established by the Civil Rights Act of 1957, is the only independent, bipartisan agency charged with advising the President and Congress on civil rights and reporting annually on federal civil rights enforcement. Our 51 state Advisory Committees offer a broad perspective on civil rights concerns at state and local levels. The Commission: in our 7th decade, a continuing legacy of influence in civil rights. For information about the Commission, please visit www.usccr.gov and follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

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AGENDA

Opening Remarks and Introductions

Impact of Immigration Enforcement: 9:30 – 10:55 a.m.

- Caitlin Patler, Associate Professor, University of California, Davis
- Jessica Vaughan, Director of Policy Studies, Center for Immigration Studies
- Catalina Amuendo-Dorantes, Professor of Economics, San Diego State University
- Patricia Gándara, Professor of Education, University of California, Los Angeles

Access to Legal Justice and State Response: 11:10 – 11:40 a.m.

- Mike Ambrose, Associate General Counsel, California School Boards Association
- Lucero Chavez, Staff Attorney, Public Counsel

Morning Open Comment: 11:40 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

Break: 12:10 – 1:40 p.m.

Law Enforcement Perspectives: 1:40 – 2:30 p.m.

- Claude Arnold, Frontier Solutions
- Brendan Corbett, Captain, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office

Impacted Communities: 2:45 – 4:05 p.m.

- Don Rosenberg, President, American Victims of Illegal Alien Crime
- Esther Peralez-Dieckmann, Executive Director, Next Door Solutions
- Mayra Alvarez, President, The Children's Partnership
- Ingrid Lake, Private Citizen

Afternoon Open Comment: 4:15 – 4:50 p.m.

Closing Remarks