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**New York Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
Announces Public Briefing on Policies and Practices
of the New York Police Department**

New York, NY – On March 20 and 21, the New York Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a public briefing to examine whether the policies and practices of the New York Police Department (NYPD) have a disproportionate impact on youth of color. The Committee will also look at the accountability policies governing members of the NYPD.

Of particular interest to the Committee is whether NYPD policies and practices regarding “Broken Windows,” gang-intervention, use of force, and school safety disproportionately affect youth of color. The Committee will also look at the current structure and effectiveness of the internal and external oversight of members of the NYPD, including the role of the Civilian Complaint Review Board, body cameras, and officer training.

The two-day briefing will take place on Monday, March 20, and Tuesday, March 21, 2017, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, in the Auditorium of CUNY School of Law, 2 Court Square, Long Island City, NY 11101. The Committee will hear presentations from government officials, academics, law enforcement, advocates, and others. On March 20, at the conclusion of the presentations, members of the public will also be invited to address the Advisory Committee during an open session. Attendees are requested to bring photo ID. For more information, please see the full agenda below, and: <http://www.usccr.gov/press/2017/03-06-NYC-flyer.pdf>

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New York Advisory Committee
U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

CUNY School of Law
Long Island City, NY 11101

Monday, March 20, 2017

AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Introductions** 9:00 am
- II. Briefing** 9:15 am - 6:00 pm
- Panel One: Low-Level Enforcement/Broken Windows 9:15 am - 10:45 am

Dennis Flores, Founder, El Grito de Sunset Park
Robert Gangi, Founder and Director, Police Reform Organizing Project
Joo-Hyun Kang, Director, Communities United For Police Reform
Tom Krever, Chief Executive Officer, Hetrick-Martin Institute
Lynn Lewis, former Executive Director, Picture the Homeless

Panel Two: Low-Level Enforcement/Broken Windows 10:45 am - 11:45 am

Jenn Rolnick Borchetta, Deputy Director of Impact Litigation, The Bronx Defenders
Brett Stoudt, Professor, John Jay College of Criminal Justice
Steve Zeidman, Professor, Director of the Criminal Defense Clinic, CUNY School of Law

Break 11:45 - 12:00

Panel Three: School Policing Practices and Accountability 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Nancy Ginsburg, Advocacy Director, The Legal Aid Society of NY
Johanna Miller, Advocacy Director, New York Civil Liberties Union
Rohini Singh, Project Director, School Justice Project, Advocates for Children
Elizabeth Sullivan, Education Campaigns Director, National Economic and Social Rights Initiative

Lunch Break 1:30 - 2:15

Panel Four: School Policing Practices and Accountability 2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

Zion Agostini, Youth Leader, Make the Road NY
Cami Anderson, Founder and Managing Partner, Third Way Solutions
Kesi Foster, Coordinator, Urban Youth Collaborative

Maryanne Kiley, Executive Director, New York Educators for Excellence
Claudia Whittingham, Special Education Liaison, New York City Department of
Education

Panel Five: School Policing Practices and Accountability 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

Kathleen DeCataldo, Executive Director, New York State Permanent Judicial
Commission on Justice for Children
Daniel Dromm, Council Member, District 25, City of New York

Break 4:45 – 5:00

Panel Six: Low-Level Enforcement/Broken Windows 5:00 pm – 5:30pm

Vanessa Gibson, Council Member, District 16, City of New York

III. Open Session

IV. Adjournment

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Tuesday, March 21, 2017

AGENDA

- I. Welcome** 9:00 am
- II. Briefing** 9:15 pm - 4:15 pm
- Panel One: Police Accountability 9:15 am - 10:30 am
- Hassan Aden, Senior Advisor, Vera Institute of Justice
Darius Charney, Senior Staff Attorney, Center for Constitutional Rights
Norman Siegel, Civil Rights Attorney, Siegel Teitelbaum & Evans, LLP
- Panel Two: Police Accountability 10:30 am - 11:45 am
- Jeffrey Fagan, Isidor and Seville Sulzbacher Professor of Law, Columbia Law School
Delores Jones-Brown, Professor, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY
Mina Malik, Lecturer on Law, Senior Advisor to Fair Punishment Project, Harvard Law School
Maria Ponomarenko, Deputy Director of the Policing Project, NYU School of Law
- Break 12:00 - 12:15**
- Panel Three: Police Accountability 12:15 pm - 1:00 pm
- Jonathan Darche, New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board
Jumaane Williams, Council Member, District 45, City of New York
- Lunch Break 1:00 - 1:45**
- Panel Four: Drug Enforcement/Use of Force 1:45 pm - 3:15 pm
- Darian Agostini, Police Accountability Youth Organization, Make the Road NY
Christopher Dunn, Associate Legal Director, New York Civil Liberties Union
Kassandra Frederique, New York State Director, Drug Policy Alliance
Jonathan Moore, Civil Rights Attorney, Beldock Levine & Hoffman LLP
Taylornn Murphy, Sr., Parent and Advocate

Panel Five: Drug Enforcement/Use of Force

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

David Brotherton, Professor of Sociology, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

Harry Levine, Professor of Sociology at Queens College/Graduate Center, CUNY

III. Adjournment