



JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS PANEL

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The Fourteenth Public Meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel will be held on October 9, 2015 in Arlington, Virginia.

Arlington, VA - The fourteenth public meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel (“JPP” or “the Panel”) will be held on Friday, October 9, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at The Holiday Inn Arlington at Ballston, 4610 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

The Judicial Proceedings Panel was established by the Secretary of Defense in June 2014 in accordance with section 576(a)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013. The Judicial Proceedings Panel is an independent federal advisory committee tasked to conduct an independent review and assessment of military judicial proceedings for sexual assault offenses since Fiscal Year 2012, for the purpose of developing recommendations to Congress and the Secretary of Defense for improvements to such proceedings.

In morning sessions, the Panel will continue its review of the disposition of sexual assault crimes in the military judicial system. First, the Panel will hear from federal and state prosecutors about comparing punishments for sexual assault crimes in military and civilian courts. Then the Panel will hear from representatives from the DoD Sexual Assault and Prevention Office, DoD Family Advocacy Program Office, and the Military Services’ Judge Advocate General Corps about how DoD and the Services manage military justice data for sexual assault cases. In the afternoon, the Panel will continue its deliberation on issues relating to restitution and compensation for sexual assault victims as well as retaliation against individuals who report incidents of sexual assault within the military. The meeting will conclude with time reserved for public comment.

The Panel welcomes input from the public on topics of this meeting or other issues considered by the Panel. Requests to make public comment, submission of written comments or materials for the Panel’s consideration and any other inquiries may be directed to Ms. Julie Carson at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.judicial-panel@mail.mil or (703) 693-3849.

More information about the Panel, including a registration form for providing public comment, a detailed agenda, and materials for this meeting, is available on the JPP’s website at <http://jpp.whs.mil>.