



JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS PANEL

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The Eighteenth Public Meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel will be held on January 22, 2016 in Arlington, Virginia.

Arlington, VA - The eighteenth public meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel (“JPP” or “the Panel”) will be held on Friday, January 22, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:45 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.

At this meeting, the Panel will deliberate on the February 2016 JPP annual report covering Article 120 of the UCMJ, restitution and compensation of sexual assault victims in the military, and issues relating to retaliation against individuals who report incidents of sexual assault within the military. The Panel will also continue its review of military justice data for sexual assault crimes and comparative sentencing schemes. 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>.