



JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS PANEL

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The Twenty-eighth Public Meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel will be held on Friday, March 10, 2017 in Arlington, Virginia.

Arlington, VA - The twenty-eighth public meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel (“JPP” or “the Panel”) will be held on Friday, March 10, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at One Liberty Center, Suite 1432, 875 North Randolph Street, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

The Judicial Proceedings Panel is an independent federal advisory committee 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 tasked to conduct an independent review and assessment of military judicial proceedings for adult 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.

During the morning session, the Panel will conduct deliberations on the Joint Service Committee on Military Justice’s proposed amendments to Rule for Courts-Martial 1103A (Sealed exhibits and proceedings) and its Victims’ Appellate Rights Report. The Panel will receive in-person public comments on these issues prior to its deliberations if requested by Monday, March 6, 2017.

In the afternoon, the Panel will receive a presentation from the JPP Subcommittee on the Subcommittee’s site visit observations regarding the Department of Defense withholding policy for initial disposition of certain sexual assault offenses, military attorney training, and Military Rules of Evidence (M.R.E.) 412 and 513 relating to evidence of a victim’s prior sexual history and the psychotherapist-patient privilege. Finally, the Panel will deliberate on M.R.E. 412 and 513 issues identified during the January 6, 2017, JPP public meeting.

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

This meeting is open to the public. Seating for the meeting is limited and available on a first-come basis.

More information about the Panel, including the meeting agenda and materials for the meeting, is available on the JPP’s website at <http://jpp.whs.mil>. In the event the Office of Personnel Management closes the government due to inclement weather or for any other reason, please consult the JPP website for any changes to public meeting dates or time.