

U.S. Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys to Hold Virtual Roundtable Discussion on Criminal Justice and Quarterly Business Meeting

April 22, 2022 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm ET

On Friday, April 22, the <u>Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys</u> (CSSBMB) will hold a public meeting, broadcasting a virtual roundtable discussion on Criminal Justice and CSSBMB's third quarterly meeting for FY 2022. CSSBMB Commissioners and invited participants will delve into the **challenges faced by Black men and boys in the criminal justice system including from a historical perspective and to examine opportunities to address these inequities**. The roundtable consists of subject matter experts from government, advocacy, and academia.

AGENDA:

1:00 – 1:10 pm Introductory Remarks by Chair Frederica Wilson

1:10 - 2:45 pm Impact of the Criminal Justice System on Black men and Boys in America

- The Honorable Jim Clyburn, Congressman (SC-06)
- The Honorable Kristen Clarke, Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice and CSSBMB Commissioner
- Dr. Calvin Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Research, Evaluation and Monitoring, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Affairs and CSSBMB Commissioner
- Benjamin Crump esq, Renowned Civil Rights Attorney
- Desmond Meade, President, Florida Rights Restoration Coalition
- Raymond Hart, Executive Director, Council of the Great City Schools
- Rev. Al Sharpton, Founder and President, National Action Network and CSSBMB Secretary (moderator)

2:48 – 3:28 pm Commissioner Remarks on Roundtable Discussion

3:18 – 3:28 pm **Business Meeting**

3:28-3:30 pm Chair Comments/Adjourn Meeting

The Public Briefing will be <u>live-streamed</u> on the Commission's YouTube page.

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The Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys is a 19-member, bipartisan commission whose mission is to conduct a systematic study of the conditions affecting Black men and boys, including homicide rates, arrest and incarceration rates, poverty, violence, fatherhood, mentorship, drug abuse, death rates, disparate income and wealth levels, school performance at all grade levels, including postsecondary education and college, and health issues; Examine trends regarding Black males and report on the community impacts of relevant government programs within the scope such topics; and Propose measures to alleviate and remedy the underlying causes of the conditions described in the statute, which may include recommendations of changes to the law, recommendations for how to implement related policies, and recommendations for how to create, develop, or improve upon government programs.

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