#### 2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Virginia Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal	2. Fiscal Year		
Commission on	Civil Rights	2024	2024		
3. Committee o	or Subcommittee	3b. GSA	b. GSA Committee No.		
Virginia Advisory Committee 298					
4. Is this New D	Ouring 5. Current	6. Expected	7. Expected		
Fiscal Year?	Charter	<b>Renewal Date</b>	Term Date		
No	01/30/2023	3 01/30/2025			
8a. Was Termir FiscalYear?	nated During Ter Aut	Specific mination hority	8c. Actual Term Date		
No	42 (	J.S.C. 1975			
9. Agency Recommendati FiscalYear	ion for Next	. Legislation q to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?		
Continue	Not	Applicable	Pending		
11. Establishme	ent Authority St	atutory (Congres	s Created)		
12. Specific	13.	14.	14c.		
Establishment	Effecti	ve Commitee	Presidential?		
Authority	Date	Туре			
42 U.S.C. 1975	09/09/1	957 Continuing	No		
15. Description	of Committee	Non Scientific Pro	ogram Advisory		
Board					
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this FiscalYear				
17a. 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0 Open					
Meetings and D	)ates				
No Meetings					
Current Next					
		FY FY			
18a(1). Personr Non-Federal M		\$0.00\$0.00	)		

**Non-Federal Members** 

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00 0.00

## 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee accomplishes its purpose through information-gathering activities to include fact-finding activity, public briefing, and the solicitation of a broad cross-section of viewpoints about civil rights issues in its state and then reports on its findings and recommendations to the Commission.

## 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Consideration is given to a cross-section of those directly affected, interested, and qualified as appropriate to the nature and functions of the Committee. No person is denied an opportunity to serve because of race, age, sex, religion, national origin, or disability. Members include individuals with a demonstrated interest in the civil rights issues of color, race, religion, gender, age, disability, national origin, and voting rights. Membership is fairly balanced in terms of the points of view represented and the functions to be performed, and both major political parties are represented.

### 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Depending upon resources, Advisory Committees are encouraged to meet at least four times each year and more often, if possible.

## 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

Congress has directed the Commission to establish at least one Committee in each state, the District of Columbia, and the five U.S. territories. The Committees compose a unique network of diverse citizens who enable the Commission to carry out its advisory purpose.

## 20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

No meetings were closed or partially closed.

#### 21. Remarks

Costs attributed to this Committee are the Commission's share of allocated costs for all Committee activity.

#### **Designated Federal Officer**

Melissa Wojnaroski Civil Rights Analyst

#### **Narrative Description**

The Committee supports the agency's mission and strategic plan by advising the agency about civil rights matters with the state within the agency's jurisdiction to review.

### What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies	
Improvements to health or safety		
Trust in government		✓
Major policy changes		✓
Advance in scientific research		
Effective grant making		
Improved service delivery		
Increased customer satisfaction		
Implementation of laws or regulatory		1
requirements		
Other		✓

#### **Outcome Comments**

The Committee promotes public policy recommendations on civil rights issues and public awareness of current civil rights issues, including protections and enforcement of federal, state, and local civil rights laws.

#### What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
None	
Unable to Determine	$\checkmark$
Under \$100,000	
\$100,000 - \$500,000	
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	
Over \$10,000,000	
Cost Savings Other	

#### **Cost Savings Comments**

Through the network of volunteer members to Advisory Committees, the Commission saves money by not having to contract for the services these members provide.

### What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

34

#### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

The Committee's advisory function to the agency is satisfied when it engages in activities related to state-based civil rights matters and issues a report to the agency for review and publication. The number of recommendations are recorded from 2000 and include recommendations made to the agency as well as recommendations through the agency to all other entities via the various reports published by the Advisory Committee.

# What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?

81%

#### % of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The Committee's advisory function to the agency is fully implemented when it reports its findings and recommendations to the Commission in writing or orally. The Commission then forwards those recommendations to the specific entities identified in the recommendation. As solely a study agency, the Commission has no authority to implement most of the recommendations made by its Advisory Committees.

## What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?

11%

#### % of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

The Committee's advisory function to the agency is partly implemented when it reports its findings and recommendations to the Commission in writing or orally. As solely a study agency, the Commission has no authority to implement most of the recommendations made by its Advisory Committees.

### Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes 🗹 No 🗌 Not Applicable 🗌

#### **Agency Feedback Comments**

The Commissioners provide direct feedback to the Committee when the Committee reports are presented at Commission meetings. Commissioners are provided the

opportunity to question the Committee Chair on the recommendations and provide direct feedback.

### What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	
Reallocated resources	
Issued new regulation	
Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	
Other	

#### **Action Comments**

As part of the agency's strategic plan, the agency seeks and considers Committee input when it establishes its civil rights program priorities during its program planning process. The agency also solicits research assistance from the Committee in the course of generating the agency's annual statutory enforcement report. In addition, the agency solicits and receives Committee advice on ways to increase the effective utilization of Committees in the execution of the agency's mission and civil rights matters within its jurisdiction.

#### Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants? No

### Grant Review Comments N/A

N/A

#### How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	$\checkmark$
Online Agency Web Site	$\checkmark$
Online Committee Web Site	
Online GSA FACA Web Site	$\checkmark$
Publications	$\checkmark$
Other	

#### **Access Comments**

N/A