

THE DEFENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION, PROSECUTION, AND DEFENSE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE ARMED FORCES

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## The Seventh Public Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces will be held on Friday, April 20, in Arlington, Virginia.

Arlington, Virginia - The seventh public meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces ("DAC-IPAD" or "the Committee") will be held Friday, April 20, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at One Liberty Center, 875 North Randolph Street, Suite 1432, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

The DAC-IPAD was established by the Secretary of Defense in February 2016, in accordance with section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015, as amended. The Committee is tasked to advise the Secretary of Defense on the investigation, prosecution, and defense of allegations of rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault, and other sexual misconduct involving members of the Armed Forces based on its review of such cases on an ongoing basis.

At this meeting the Committee will receive a presentation from a group of civilian presenters regarding best practices for case management and data collection in civilian courts. The Committee will then receive a presentation from a group of uniformed presenters regarding the current capabilities of the military services' case management and data collection programs. For the last session, the Committee will receive updates from the Data, Case Review, and Policy Working Groups regarding the status of each group's respective research and analysis.

The DAC-IPAD welcomes input from the public on issues under its consideration. Requests to make public comment, submission of written comments or materials, and any other inquiries may be directed to Ms. Julie Carson at <u>whs.pentagon.em.mbx.dacipad@mail.mil</u> or (703) 693-3849.

Seating for the meeting is limited and available on a first-come basis. Visitors must provide government-issued photo identification and pass through metal detector security screening for access to the facility. Additionally, visitors who are not DoD or Service personnel must be escorted while in the building by members of the DAC-IPAD staff.

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