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U. S. Commission on Civil Rights Appoints Utah State Advisory Committee Members

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights announced today the appointment of 17 members to the Utah State Advisory Committee.

The Commission appointed:

- Joanne R. Milner of Salt Lake City, chair
- Chyleen A. Arbon of Cottonwood Heights
- Glenn L. Bailey of Salt Lake City
- William H. Coleman of Park City
- Virginius "Jinks" Dabney of St. George
- Yolanda K. Francisco-Nez of Sandy
- Michael W. Homer of Salt Lake City
- Robyn Ronnow Kaelin of Lehi
- Edward L. Lewis, Jr. of Salt Lake City
- Rosa M. Martinez of Payson
- Anthony A. Peacock of Logan
- Clifford J. Rosky of Salt Lake City
- Betty O. Sawyer of Ogden
- Richard K. Sherlock of Logan
- Scott A. Trujillo of Salt Lake City
- Filia (Phil) H. Uipi of Salt Lake City
- Gloria T. Wilkinson of Sandy

"Utah has a long-standing record of addressing issues of civil rights and I applaud the committee's continued commitment," Commission Staff Director Marlene Sallo said.

State advisory committee members conduct reviews and produce reports and recommendations concerning local civil rights issues, including justice, voting, discrimination, housing and education. Congress mandates that the federal Commission appoint volunteer members to advisory committees in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Appointees to the federal State Advisory Committees serve two-year terms.

"The protection and preservation of our civil rights is as important today as it was 50 years ago, and as pertinent in preparing for the 50 years that lie ahead. We members of the Utah State Advisory Committee are pleased to participate in this process of promoting these principles for all people in the State of Utah," Chair Joanne Milner said.

Past Utah State Advisory Committee investigations addressed discrimination in employment, law enforcement, and against Native Americans in border town communities. The committee will meet for the first time in July to consider its plans and priorities.

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is an independent, bipartisan agency charged with advising the President and Congress on civil rights matters, studying civil rights issues, and issuing a federal civil rights enforcement report. For information about Commission's reports and meetings, visit <http://www.usccr.gov>.