



RESPONSE SYSTEMS TO ADULT SEXUAL ASSAULT CRIMES PANEL
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The Honorable Kirsten E. Gillibrand
Chairman, Subcommittee on Personnel
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Chairman:

As Chair of the Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel ("the Panel"), I decided to form three subcommittees to assist the Panel in its independent review and assessment of the systems used to investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate crimes involving adult sexual assault and related offenses under section 920 of title 10, United States Code (article 120 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice) for the purpose of developing recommendations regarding how to improve the effectiveness of such systems.

In addition to my responsibilities as Chair of the Panel, I am serving as Chair of the Role of the Commander subcommittee. This subcommittee is specifically tasked with assessing the strengths and weaknesses of current and proposed legislative initiatives to modify the current role of commanders in the administration of military justice and the investigation, prosecution, and adjudication of adult sexual assault crimes. To this end, I would like to invite you to send a representative to the next subcommittee meeting to discuss your legislative proposal, S 967: the Military Justice Improvement Act of 2013.

The next Role of the Commander Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2013, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and will be held at our office located at 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 150, Arlington, Virginia. We look forward to working with you and your staff. My point of contact for this matter is Colonel Patricia Ham, Staff Director, who can be reached at [REDACTED].

Thank you for your leadership and support on these important issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Jones".

Barbara Jones
Chair
Response Systems Panel