

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff;

v.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE  
CITY, et. al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:17-cv-00099-JKB

**AMENDED NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT ON MONITOR SELECTION**

**Procedures for Public Review and Comment**

The Parties agreed to propose a Monitor for appointment by the Court to oversee implementation of the Consent Decree's reforms to the Police Department of Baltimore City. Consent Decree ¶¶ 442-480. Public input is an important part of the Monitor selection process. Id. at ¶ 444. As part of this process, Monitor applicants were required to submit applications and supporting materials to the Parties by June 8, 2017. The Parties will post these materials for public review on the websites for the Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division ([www.justice.gov/crt/special-litigation-section-cases-and-matters0#police](http://www.justice.gov/crt/special-litigation-section-cases-and-matters0#police)) and Baltimore City's Consent Decree website ([consentdecree.baltimorecity.gov](http://consentdecree.baltimorecity.gov)) and police transparency website (<https://www.baltimorepolice.org/transparency/overview>). All information submitted by Monitor applicants will be available for public review by June 16, 2017.

Once the application materials are posted, there will be a public comment period in which members of the public can review applications, share feedback, and make recommendations to

the Parties. These comments from members of the public can be submitted **either via email to Baltimore.Consent.Decree@usdoj.gov or mailed to the address below:**

**Puneet Cheema  
United States Department of Justice  
Civil Rights Division, Special Litigation Section  
950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20530**

To ensure full consideration by the Parties, submissions should be made no later than July 17, 2017. Email submissions are encouraged.

The Parties will compile the public submissions, forward them to the Court, and publish them on the websites for DOJ and the City: [www.justice.gov/crt/special-litigation-section-cases-and-matters0#police](http://www.justice.gov/crt/special-litigation-section-cases-and-matters0#police) and [www.consentdecree.baltimorecity.gov](http://www.consentdecree.baltimorecity.gov). The Parties will not forward or post submissions that contain irrelevant, threatening, or inflammatory material, or any submissions that reveal confidential information.

After the public comment period, the Parties will evaluate the candidates, considering the recommendations made by members of the public, and agree on a subset of the Monitor teams to interview. Consent Decree ¶ 444(b)-(c). The Parties will then select the finalists for the Monitor role and provide an opportunity for teams to respond to questions and concerns from the Baltimore community. Id. ¶ 444(d). The Parties will file a similar notice with the procedures for submitting questions to be asked of the finalists upon their selection, and those questions will be due on or about August 7, 2017. The notice will also include details about the two public meetings that will be held in different sectors of the City at which candidates will have the opportunity to respond to the questions submitted by members of the public.

After the finalists have been interviewed and have responded to questions submitted by the public, the Parties will agree to propose one of the finalists for the Court's consideration or, if

they cannot agree, will submit two finalists, to the Court in a joint motion. Consent Decree ¶  
444(c). The Court retains the final authority to choose the Monitor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that the foregoing Notice Regarding Public Comment On Monitor Selection was served through the electronic filing service on June 14, 2017, giving notice to all registered parties.

s/ Seth Wayne  
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