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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Charter Establishment of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Establishment of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that it is establishing the charter for the Government-Industry Advisory Panel (“the Panel”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-692-5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This committee’s charter is being established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and 41 CFR 102-3.50(d). The charter, once filed, along with contact information for the Panel’s Designated Federal Officer (DFO) can be obtained at <http://www.facadatabase.gov/>. The Panel, previously established as a non-discretionary advisory committee, is being reestablished as a discretionary advisory committee due to the lapse in legislative authority so it can complete its work. The Panel shall provide to the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (USD(A&S)), a review of 10 U.S.C. 2320 and 2321, regarding rights in technical data and the validation of proprietary data restrictions and the regulations implementing such sections, for the purpose of ensuring that such statutory and regulatory requirements are best structured to serve the interests of the taxpayers and the national defense. The Panel shall develop recommendations for changes to 10 U.S.C. 2320 and 2321 and the regulations implementing such sections.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Charter Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the charter for the Department of Defense Advisory Committee on Military Personnel Testing (“the Committee”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-692-5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee’s charter is being renewed in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and 41 CFR 102-3.50(d). The Committee’s charter and contact information for the Committee’s Designated Federal Officer (DFO) can be found at <http://www.facadatabase.gov/>.

The Committee provides the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, independent advice and recommendations on matters pertaining to military personnel testing for enlisted selection and classification.

The Committee is composed of no more than seven members who are eminent authorities in the fields of educational and psychological testing. All members of the Committee are appointed to provide advice on behalf of the Government on the basis of their best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. Except for reimbursement of official Committee-related travel and per diem, Committee members serve without compensation.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Committee membership about the Committee’s mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Committee. All written statements shall

be submitted to the DFO for the Committee, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: February 15, 2018.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS) will take place.

DATES: Day 1—Open to the public Tuesday, March 20, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Day 2—Open to the public Wednesday, March 21, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The address of the open meeting is the Hilton Alexandria-Mark Center, 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22311.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colonel Toya J. Davis, U.S. Army, (703) 697-2122 (Voice), 703-614-6233 (Facsimile), toya.j.davis.mil@mail.mil (Email). Mailing address is 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 04J25-01, Alexandria, VA 22350. Website: <http://dacowits.defense.gov>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to receive briefings and updates relating to their current work. The meeting will open with the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) giving a status update on the Committee’s requests for

information. This will be followed with a briefing on Marketing Strategies. Then the Committee will have two panel discussions on the following topics: Healthy Unit Climate, and Women's Mental Health. The second day of the meeting will open with a panel discussion on Personal Protective Equipment/Gear for Women. This will be followed by an update briefing on Marine Corps Recruit Training. Day two will end with a public comment period.

Agenda: Tuesday, March 20, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.—Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements; Request for Information Status Update; Briefing: Marketing Strategies; Panel Discussion: Healthy Unit Climate; Panel Discussion: Women's Mental Health; Public Dismissed. Wednesday, March 21, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.—Welcome and Announcements; Panel Discussion: Personal Protective Equipment/Gear for Women; Briefing: Marine Corps Recruit Training Update; Public Comment Period; Public Dismissed.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, this meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the DACOWITS. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the point of contact listed at the address in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 12, 2018. If a written statement is not received by Monday, March 12, 2018, prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the DACOWITS until its next open meeting. The DFO will review all timely submissions with the DACOWITS Chair and ensure they are provided to the members of the Committee. If members of the public are interested in making an oral statement, a written statement should be submitted. After reviewing the written comments, the Chair and the DFO will determine who of the requesting persons will be able to make an oral presentation of their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting. Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140(d), determination of who will be making an oral presentation is at the sole discretion of the Committee Chair and the DFO, and will depend on time available and if the topics are relevant to the Committee's activities. Five minutes will be allotted to persons

desiring to make an oral presentation. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in front of the full Committee. The number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public.

Dated: February 15, 2018.

Aaron Siegel,

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Inventions; Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DoN) announces the availability of the inventions listed below, assigned to the United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Navy, for domestic and foreign licensing by the Department of the Navy.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patents cited should be directed to Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Div, Code OOL, Bldg 2, 300 Highway 361, Crane, IN 47522–5001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Christopher Monsey, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Div, Code OOL, Bldg 2, 300 Highway 361, Crane, IN 47522–5001, Email Christopher.Monsey@navy.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following patents are available for licensing: Patent No. 8,857,157 (Navy Case No. 200273): STAND-OFF CHARGE SYSTEM INCLUDING AN ATTACHMENT BRACKET AND RELATED METHODS//Patent No. 9,860,694 (Navy Case No. 200352): COMPUTING PLATFORM METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRANSMITTING DATA COMMUNICATION VIA RADIO ACCESS POINT//Patent No. 9,874,625 (Navy Case No. 102054): ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION SOURCE LOCATING SYSTEM//Patent No. 9,874,858 (Navy Case No. 103103): AUTOMATION CONTROL SYSTEM AND A METHOD IN AN AUTOMATION CONTROL SYSTEM//Patent No. 9,876,969 (Navy Case No. 200347): ELECTROMAGNETIC (EM) POWER DENSITY AND FIELD

CHARACTERIZATION TECHNIQUE// and Patent No. 9,877,208 (Navy Case No. 200240): SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR UNOBTRUSIVELY AND RELOCATEABLY EXTENDING COMMUNICATION COVERAGE AND SUPPORTING UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (UAV) ACTIVITIES.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR part 404.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Request for Information on Evaluating Undue Hardship Claims in Adversary Actions Seeking Student Loan Discharge in Bankruptcy Proceedings

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education.

ACTION: Request for information.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Education (Department) seeks to ensure that the congressional mandate to except student loans from bankruptcy discharge except in cases of undue hardship is appropriately implemented while also ensuring that borrowers for whom repayment of their student loans would be an undue hardship are not inadvertently discouraged from filing an adversary proceeding in their bankruptcy case. Accordingly, the Department is requesting public comment on factors to be considered in evaluating undue hardship claims asserted by student loan borrowers in adversary proceedings filed in bankruptcy cases, the weight to be given to such factors, whether the existence of two tests for evaluation of undue hardship claims results in inequities among borrowers seeking undue hardship discharge, and how all of these, and potentially additional, considerations should weigh into whether an undue hardship claim should be conceded by the loan holder.

DATES: Responses must be received by May 22, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal or via U.S. mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. We will not accept comments by fax or by email or those submitted after the comment period. To ensure that we do not receive duplicate