

**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service****Open Meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine)**

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, December 23, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marisa Knispel at 1-888-912-1227 (toll-free), or 718-488-3557 (non toll-free).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Tuesday, December 23, 2003 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. e.t. via a telephone conference call. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 718-488-3557, or write Marisa Knispel, TAP Office, 10 MetroTech Center, 625 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Due to limited

conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Marisa Knispel.

The agenda will include various IRS issues.

Dated: December 1, 2003.

**Tersheia Carter,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS****Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans, Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans will be held from Monday, December 15, 2003, through Tuesday, December 16, 2003, at the Marriott San Diego Hotel, Carlsbad Room, 333 West Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 98101. On December 15, the meeting will convene at 1 p.m. and end at 4 p.m. and on December 16 the meeting will convene at 8 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with an on-going assessment of the effectiveness of the policies, organizational structures, and services of the Department in assisting homeless veterans. The Committee shall assemble

and review information relating to the needs of homeless veterans and provide on-going advice on the most appropriate means of providing assistance to homeless veterans. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On December 15, the Committee will hear from key VA leaders from the San Diego area in regards to issues and developments affecting veterans' health and benefits. On December 16, the committee will receive updates on veterans' health, employment, dental care, multi-family housing, community participation and technical assistance efforts to assist homeless veterans.

Those wishing to attend the meeting should contact Mr. Pete Dougherty, Department of Veterans Affairs, at (202) 273-5764. No time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations during the public meeting. However, the Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues affecting homeless veterans. Such comments should be referred to the Committee at the following address: Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans, Homeless Veterans Programs Office (075D), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420.

Dated: November 21, 2003.

By Direction of the Secretary:

**E. Phillip Riggan,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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