



Criminal Justice Policy Committee

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*Members of the Judicial Branch have provided the following statement with respect to their work on the Committee:

Because the Code of Judicial Conduct prohibits them from doing so, the Judicial Branch representatives serving on this Committee have not participated in making any of the policy recommendations contained in the Committee Report. The Judicial Branch is mindful of the fact that the policy making role is the exclusive function of the Executive and Legislative branches of government.

In participating in this Committee, the Judicial Branch representatives attempted to provide meaningful and important input on the pivotal role that the courts play in both the criminal justice system and the whole of government. A further goal was to offer information on the role of the Judicial Branch in the criminal justice process and to provide guidance as to how any proposed policies would impact the courts and the Judicial Branch.

In response to an inquiry from the Judicial Branch representatives on the Committee, the Judges Ethics Advisory Committee advised, "*The propriety of a judicial official's participation on a governmental committee such as the Criminal Justice Sub-Committee depends on the answers to two questions: (1) does the work of the sub-committee concern 'the improvement of the law, the legal system, or administration of justice'?* and, if so, *(2) would participation on the organization undermine a judge's independence, integrity, or impartiality?*" It was based upon this guidance that the Judicial Branch and its representatives participated in this process.

** State's Attorney Preleski provided the following statement with respect to his work on the Committee:

As a result of my position as State's Attorney it would be inappropriate for me to make policy recommendations absent consultation with the Chief State's Attorney and other State's Attorneys and, as such, I neither endorse nor oppose the recommendations made.