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The Federal Advisory Committee Act, GPO, and the Depository Library Council

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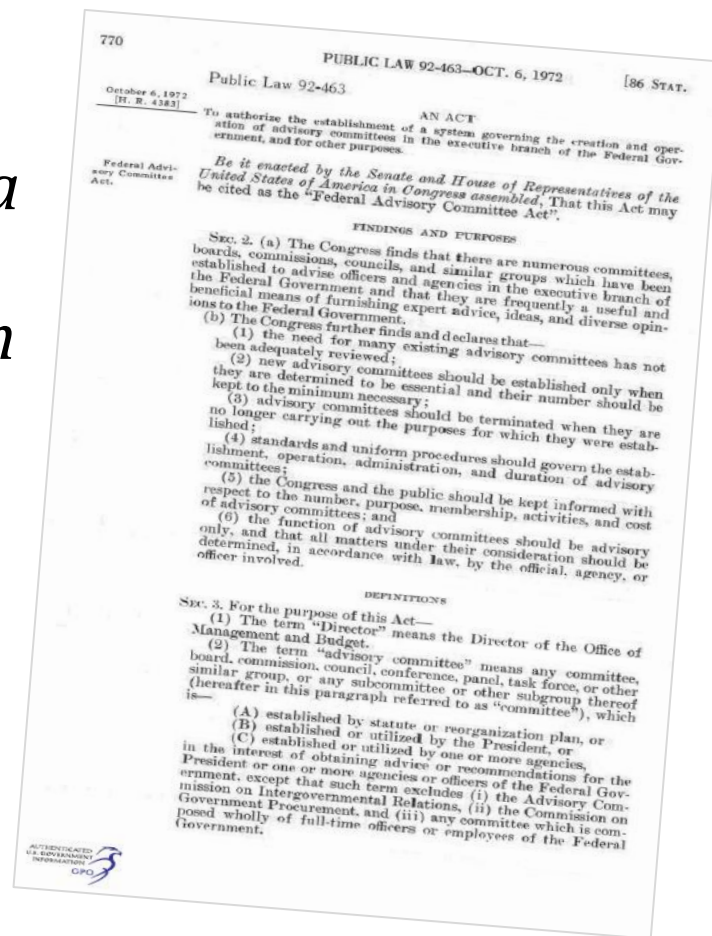
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Federal Advisory Committee Act

“To authorize the establishment of a system governing the creation and operation of advisory committees in the executive branch of the Federal Government, and for other purposes.”





Why FACA? Congress finds and declares ...

Advisory committees should:

- Be established only when they are determined to be essential.
- Be terminated when they are no longer carrying out the purposes for which they were established.
- Be governed by standards and uniform procedures.
- Function as advisory only.



Open and Transparent

The Congress and the public should be kept informed with respect to the number, purpose, membership, activities, and cost of advisory committees.



GPO and FACA

§ 108. Advisory committees

The Public Printer may establish advisory committees to obtain advice and recommendations for the Government Printing Office in the same manner, and subject to the same terms and conditions, applicable to an agency under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.



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Depository Library Council and FACA

“Standards and uniform procedures should govern the establishment, operation, administration, and duration of advisory committees.”



General Services Administration and FACA

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Advice and Guidance

Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) Advice and Guidance for agency committee management officers and designated federal officials.

FACA Essays and Guidance

- ["Final Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Federal Boards and Commissions"](#) Director, Committee Management Secretariat
- ["Appointment of Consultants to Advisory Committees,"](#) Karla Hester
- ["Appointment of Special Government Employees,"](#) Committee Management Staff
- ["Government Payment for Light Refreshments at Advisory Committee Meetings"](#)
- ["Public Access to Advisory Committee Records,"](#) Committee Management Staff
- ["Preparing Federal Advisory Committee Charters \[PDF - 212 KB\],"](#) Committee Management Staff
- ["Preparing Membership Balance Plans \[PDF - 110 KB\]"](#) Committee Management Staff
- ["When FACA is and is Not Applicable to Interactions with the Private Sector,"](#) Helen Maus and Dan Ross
- [FACA Case Digest \[XLSX - 222 KB\]](#) This digest is a compilation of case law developed in response to



Depository Library Council

The Depository Library Council serves in an advisory capacity to the Director of the Government Publishing Office on matters that relate to improving public access to our Government's information through the Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of Documents:

- Federal Depository Library Program
- Cataloging and Indexing Program
- GPO's System of Online Access, **govinfo**

The DLC shall provide advice on policy and operational matters that provide and support services to Federal depository libraries.



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How have Executive Agencies Interpreted FACA?





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FACA in the News



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116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1608

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 13, 2019

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs



ACT

To amend the Federal Advisory Committee Act to increase the number of federal advisory committees, and for other purposes.

Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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Molding Council Practices for Openness and Transparency



Three Main Questions:

- Independence – The Designated Federal Officer
- Record Keeping – What's a meeting?
- Working Groups – The same, but different



Independence

- Designated Federal Officer – Laurie Hall, Superintendent of Documents, or her designee
- DFO on all committees and working groups



Record Keeping

- Meetings Twice a Year – Spring and Fall – appear in the Federal Register
- Conference Calls – information sharing
- Minutes maintained



The Announcement of this Meeting in the Federal Register September 17, 2019 p. 48929

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

Depository Library Council to the Acting Deputy Director Meeting

The Depository Library Council (DLC) to the Acting Deputy Director, Government Publishing Office (GPO) will meet on Monday, October 21, 2019 through Wednesday, October 23, 2019 in Arlington, Virginia. The sessions will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday and Tuesday and 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., on Wednesday. The meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, Virginia. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Federal Depository Library Program. All sessions are open to the public. The United States Government Publishing Office is in compliance with the requirements of Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act and meets all Fire Safety Act regulations.

John W. Crawford,

*Acting Deputy Director, U.S. Government
Publishing Office.*

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Working Groups

- Working Group on FACA
- Digital Deposit Working Group – has an interactive program during this meeting and will give a brief report out in the closing session
- All–Digital Depository Libraries Working Group – reported out and made recommendations in Spring 2019
- Cataloging Working Group – just formalizing role and membership



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Questions?

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