

D.C. Tax Revision Commission

EXPERT BRIEFING: How Does the D.C. Tax System Affect Racial Equity?

Date/time: Tuesday, December 6, 6:30-8:30 pm

Location: Room 1170, One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street NW.

Note: this is a public meeting and livestream will be available at <https://bit.ly/trcracialequity>

Background: The statute that created the DC Tax Revision Commission directs the Commission to “establish or revise criteria and a conceptual framework for evaluating current and future taxes,” and says further that “such criteria and framework shall consider racial equity impacts.” The second part of that directive did not exist for either the 1998 or 2013 Tax Revision Commission, and the final report of the 2013 Commission did not discuss racial or ethnic disparities at all (although it does discuss poverty and income inequality). In recent years, there has been a significant increase in research scholarship and policy development on the role of racial equity in tax policy.

Speakers:

- Professor Dorothy Brown, Martin D. Ginsburg Chair in Taxation at Georgetown University Law Center.
- Namita Mody and Milika Robbins, D.C. Council Office of Racial Equity