

effectiveness of copyright protections for publishers, with a focus on press publishers. This request provides an opportunity for interested parties to raise new issues related to the topic of the study, amplify initial comments, present empirical studies, or to address, reply to, or expand upon any issues raised in the initial request for written comments—responses to which are due on or before November 26, 2021—or during the virtual public roundtable, which will be held on December 9, 2021. On November 29, 2021, the Office will post a link at <https://copyright.gov/policy/publishersprotections/> through which parties can submit second-round comments.

**DATES:** Additional comments are due on or before January 5, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** The Copyright Office is using the *regulations.gov* system for the submission and posting of public comments in this proceeding. All comments are therefore to be submitted electronically through *regulations.gov*. Specific instructions are available on the Copyright Office website at <http://www.copyright.gov/policy/publishersprotections/>. If electronic submission of comments is not feasible due to lack of access to a computer and/or the internet, please contact the Office using the contact information below, for special instructions.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kimberley Isbell, Deputy Director of Policy and International Affairs, at [kisbell@copyright.gov](mailto:kisbell@copyright.gov), or Andrew Foglia, Senior Counsel for Policy and International Affairs, at [afoglia@copyright.gov](mailto:afoglia@copyright.gov). Both can be reached by telephone at 202-707-8350.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Copyright Office is undertaking a public study at the request of Congress to evaluate current copyright protections for publishers. Among other issues, the Office is considering the effectiveness of publishers' existing rights in news content, including under the provisions of title 17 of the U.S. Code, as well as other federal and state laws; whether additional protections are desirable or appropriate; the possible scope of any such new protections, including how their beneficiaries could be defined; and how any such protections would interact with existing rights, exceptions and limitations, and international treaty obligations. On October 12, 2021, the Office published an initial request for comments on several questions related to these issues. It also announced that it would hold a virtual public roundtable on the same topics on December 9, 2021.

In the interests of gathering the fullest possible record on the question of copyright protections for publishers, with a focus on press publishers, the Office is now announcing an additional round of comments, responses to which are due on or before January 5, 2022. On November 29, 2021, the Office will post a link at <https://copyright.gov/policy/publishersprotections/> through which parties can submit second-round comments. Comments submitted in this second round may address the same questions set forth in the October 12 notice, or any other issues related to the topic of the study. In submitting second-round comments, parties may raise new issues, amplify their initial comments, present empirical studies, or address, reply to, or expand upon any issues raised in the initial request for written comments or at the December 9, 2021 virtual public roundtable. As with the initial comments, the Office requests that parties submitting second-round comments identify their affiliation and the factual or legal basis for their responses.

Please note that the issuance of this notice does not mean that the deadline for submission of initial comments has expired. Initial comments may still be submitted through November 26, 2021. Additionally, a party does not have to have submitted initial comments or participated in the roundtable in order to submit second-round comments.

Dated: November 4, 2021.

**Shira Perlmutter,**

*Register of Copyrights and Director of the U.S. Copyright Office.*

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## NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

### Office of Government Information Services

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#### Meeting Announcement; Chief Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officers Council

**AGENCY:** Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), and Office of Information Policy (OIP), Department of Justice (DOJ).

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** We are announcing a meeting of the Chief Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officers Council, co-chaired by

the Director of OGIS and the Director of OIP.

**DATES:** The meeting will be on Wednesday November 17, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. EST. Please register for the meeting no later than 11:59 p.m. EST on Monday, November 15, 2021 (registration information is detailed below).

**Location:** The November 17, 2021, meeting will be a virtual meeting. We will send access instructions to those who register according to the instructions below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Martha Murphy, by email at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov) with the subject line "Chief FOIA Officers Council," or by telephone at 202.741.5770.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is open to the public in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(k)). Additional details about the meeting, including the agenda, will be available on OGIS's website at <https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/chief-foia-officers-council> and OIP's website at <https://www.justice.gov/oip/chief-foia-officers-council>.

**Procedures:** This virtual meeting is open to the public. You must register through Eventbrite at <https://cfo-council-meeting-nov-17-2021.eventbrite.com> in advance if you wish to submit oral statements. You must include an email address so that we can provide you access information. We will also live-stream the meeting on the National Archives' YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/usnationalarchives>, and include a captioning option. To request additional accommodations (e.g., a transcript), email [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov) or call 202-741-5770. Members of the media who wish to register, those who are unable to register online, and those who require special accommodations, should contact Martha Murphy (contact information listed above).

**Alina M. Semo,**

*Director, Office of Government Information Services.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Proposal Review; Notice of Meetings

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces its intent to hold proposal review meetings throughout the year. The purpose of