

### **TABLE SET III: THE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The tables in this set generally provide information about the recommendations made by Review Committee. In each instance, the total number of submissions is reported for each district, along with a racial/ethnic breakdown of those totals. In addition, each of the tables in this set reports for each district the total number of recommendations for and against seeking the death penalty, respectively, again with a racial/ethnic analysis of those totals. The tables in this set address the post-protocol period exclusively, because the Review Committee did not exist prior to 1995.

With respect to the post-protocol period, the tables in Table Set II, which reported statistics about the submissions and recommendations of the United States Attorneys, provided information about a universe of 682 defendants. However, 15 of those submitted defendants were still under review by the Committee at the close of the reporting period on July 20, 2000, and 49 others had been withdrawn prior to the completion of consideration for a variety of reasons. Accordingly, there were 618 defendants as to whom the Review Committee completed its consideration during the reporting period, and these 618 comprise the universe of defendants about whom statistics are provided in Table Set III. Further, for a variety of reasons, including an equal division of views among its members, the Review Committee occasionally completed its consideration of a defendant without making a recommendation as to whether the death penalty should be sought. Specifically, the Review Committee made no recommendations as to 15 defendants: a White defendant from the Northern District of California; a Black defendant from the District of Columbia; two Hispanic defendants from the Middle District of Florida; a White defendant and an Other defendant from the Western District of Kentucky; two Black defendants from the Eastern District of Michigan; a Black defendant from the District of Minnesota; a White defendant from the Eastern District of New York; two Hispanic defendants from the District of Puerto Rico; a White defendant from the District of South Carolina; and two Black defendants from the Middle District of Tennessee. As a result, in the tables that report total submissions as well as a breakdown of recommendations, the figures in the "Total" columns do not always represent the sum of the corresponding figures in the two recommendation columns.

**A. DEFENDANTS: EXPLANATORY NOTES FOR TABLE SET III.A**

Table 12 reports, on a district-by-district basis and with a racial/ethnic breakdown, information about the recommendations made by the Review Committee about whether to seek the death penalty.

**TABLE 12: REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS  
BY DISTRICT AND RACE/ETHNICITY OF DEFENDANT (1995-2000)**

DISTRICT	Total Defendants Considered by Review Committee					Review Comm. Recommendations to Seek the Death Penalty					Review Comm. Recommendations Not to Seek the Death Penalty				
	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Alabama, Middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alabama, Northern	2	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alabama, Southern	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alaska	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	9	1	3	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	8	0	3	4	1
Arkansas, Eastern	3	2	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Arkansas, Western	3	3	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
California, Central	13	3	4	6	0	6	1	3	2	0	7	2	1	4	0
California, Eastern	10	7	2	0	1	4	2	1	0	1	6	5	1	0	0
California, Northern	4	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
California, Southern	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0
Colorado	5	4	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	1
Connecticut	11	0	2	9	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	0	1	9	0
Delaware	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
District of Columbia	20	1	19	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	17	1	16	0	0
Florida, Middle	3	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Florida, Northern	5	2	3	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
Florida, Southern	6	0	6	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
Georgia, Middle	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
Georgia, Northern	3	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	0
Georgia, Southern	5	0	3	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	3	0	2	1	0
Guam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	6	1	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	5	1	0	2	2
Idaho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illinois, Central	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois, Northern	7	0	2	5	0	2	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	5	0
Illinois, Southern	3	2	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indiana, Northern	4	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	3	1	0
Indiana, Southern	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Iowa, Northern	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	2	0
Iowa, Southern	2	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kansas	12	2	8	0	2	4	1	1	0	2	8	1	7	0	0
Kentucky, Eastern	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Kentucky, Western	6	3	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	1
Louisiana, Eastern	4	0	3	1	0	3	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Louisiana, Middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana, Western	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maryland	39	4	34	0	1	8	0	7	0	1	31	4	27	0	0
Massachusetts	13	3	9	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	12	2	9	1	0
Michigan, Eastern	15	0	12	3	0	3	0	2	1	0	10	0	8	2	0
Michigan, Western	10	4	2	4	0	4	2	0	2	0	6	2	2	2	0
Minnesota	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	0
Mississippi, Northern	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mississippi, Southern	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Missouri, Eastern	5	0	4	0	1	4	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Missouri, Western	8	3	2	3	0	8	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Nevada	9	7	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	7	0	0	2
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	3	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
New Mexico	11	2	0	8	1	7	2	0	4	1	4	0	0	4	0
New York, Eastern	48	12	19	10	7	4	0	0	0	4	43	11	19	10	3
New York, Northern	6	0	5	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	4	0	3	1	0
New York, Southern	46	4	17	24	1	15	1	7	7	0	31	3	10	17	1
New York, Western	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
North Carolina, Eastern	9	2	7	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
North Carolina, Middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Carolina, Western	4	1	2	0	1	3	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohio, Northern	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	3	0	0
Ohio, Southern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma, Eastern	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Oklahoma, Northern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma, Western	3	3	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Oregon	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Pennsylvania, Eastern	6	0	3	3	0	4	0	1	3	0	2	0	2	0	0
Pennsylvania, Middle	4	2	0	2	0	3	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0
Pennsylvania, Western	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Puerto Rico	64	0	0	64	0	14	0	0	14	0	48	0	0	48	0
Rhode Island	5	0	4	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	0	3	1	0
South Carolina	7	1	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	5	0	1

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	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	TOTAL	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
South Dakota	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0
Tennessee, Eastern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee, Middle	6	3	3	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0
Tennessee, Western	11	1	10	0	0	6	1	5	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
Texas, Eastern	5	0	5	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Texas, Northern	10	4	4	2	0	6	1	3	2	0	4	3	1	0	0
Texas, Southern	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0
Texas, Western	6	2	3	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	4	2	1	1	0
Utah	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Vermont	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	0
Virginia, Eastern	59	5	54	0	0	18	0	18	0	0	41	5	36	0	0
Virginia, Western	5	1	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	1	3	0	0
Washington, Eastern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington, Western	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia, Northern	8	4	3	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	5	0	4	1	0
West Virginia, Southern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin, Eastern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin, Western	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>12</b>