

The CHAIRMAN. The prepared statement will be received and incorporated in full in the hearing record. Suppose you highlight your prepared statement.

First identify yourself. Is one speaking for both of you?

Mr. HARRIS. Both will speak separately.

STATEMENT OF DeLONG HARRIS, CHAIRMAN, DUE PROCESS COMMITTEE, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA

Mr. HARRIS. My name is DeLong Harris. I am the chairman of the Due Process Committee of the National Capital Area, Civil Liberties Union, a past president of the Washington Bar Association, a member of the bar of the District of Columbia for the past 19 years, and engaged in the general practice of law, about 50 percent criminal practice.

The CHAIRMAN. How long have you been in practice of law, Mr. Harris?

Mr. HARRIS. Nineteen years, sir; ever since I was 22 years old.

The CHAIRMAN. Very well.

Mr. HARRIS. This statement is given on behalf of the National Capital Area Civil Liberties Union.

The CHAIRMAN. For the record, why don't you tell us about the National Capital Area, American Civil Liberties Union?

Mr. HARRIS. Mr. Heller is a member of the board of directors in a higher echelon in the Civil Liberties Union.

The CHAIRMAN. I think it would be helpful to have this information in the record.

People might say, "What is this organization?"

STATEMENT OF JAMES H. HELLER, SECRETARY AND MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD, NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

Mr. HELLER. I am James H. Heller.

I am a Washington attorney as well. I am the secretary and a member of the executive board of the National Capital Area Civil Liberties Union. It is the American Civil Liberties Union affiliate for the Washington metropolitan area, which includes, of course, the District of Columbia as well as Prince Georges and Montgomery Counties, Md.; Alexandria, Arlington County, and Fairfax County, Falls Church, Va.

We were organized approximately 21½ years ago. We are a rather new affiliate, but quite a large one. We have about 2,300 members.

Our principal business in this world is to defend people whose cases, or represent them, whose cases we believe involve civil liberties implications on a local basis, and secondly, to appear in such cases as this, where we believe that legislation or public action involves civil liberties implications for this area.

We do try and keep out of purely national civil liberties issues, because there is a Washington office of our parent body, the American Civil Liberties Union, and Mr. Lawrence Spizer ably represents them