



## **U. S. Commission on Civil Rights to Release Report: *The Civil Rights Implications of the Federal Use of Facial Recognition Technology***

On Thursday, September 19, 2024, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will release its annual Statutory Enforcement Report, ***The Civil Rights Implications of the Federal Use of Facial Recognition Technology***, which examines concerns about the federal government's unrestricted use of Facial Recognition Technology (FRT), how FRT is currently being used, and recommendations for regulations and best practices.

As part of the examination, the Commission studied how the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) utilize this technology, specifically FRT, in compliance with existing civil rights laws. Currently, there are no laws that expressly regulate the use of FRT or other AI by the federal government, and no constitutional provisions governing its use.

To inform this report, the Commission held a briefing on March 8, 2024, where Commissioners and Commission staff heard from subject matter experts such as government officials, academics, researchers, software developers, legal experts, and written materials from the public.

The report will be available on the Commission's website at <https://www.usccr.gov/reports/annual-statutory-enforcement> on Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 10 am eastern time. For more information on the briefing for this report, visit: <https://www.usccr.gov/meetings/2024/03-08-civil-rights-implications-federal-use-facial-recognition-technology>.

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