

Organized Retail Crime Task Force Agenda

Thursday, July 7, 2022, 10:00 - 2:00

Welcome

- AG Ferguson's welcome and opening remarks (10:05 10:15)
- AGO Team Introductions (10:15 10:20)
- Overview of Task Force (10:20 10:30)
 - o Goals
 - Expected scope
 - o Brief overview of AGO's jurisdiction

Organized Retail Crime Discussion (10:30 – 11:55)

- Concerns
 - o Representatives share concerns on worker impacts (10 min)
 - o Representatives from small business/security share concerns (15 min)
 - o Representatives from retail share concerns (15 min)
 - o Representatives from online platforms share concerns (15 min)
- Current approach:
 - Current Law Enforcement approach (15 min)
 - Current Prosecution approach (15 min)

Break (11:55 - 12:10)

Improving Coordination (12:10-1:30)

- Suggested Discussion Questions
 - o How would you define the scope of the problem around coordination?
 - What systems are currently in place for coordination?
 - Between prosecutors and law enforcement?
 - Between retailers and prosecutors?
 - Between retailers and law enforcement?
 - What could be in place to better coordinate and connect the individuals in this meeting when organized crime happens?
 - How do law enforcement departments and prosecutors currently identify individuals whom may be a part of organized retail crime? (Ex. Tips from Loss Prevention Departments, tracking individual arrests, etc.)
 - Are there questions about this process?
 - Are there concerns with the current process?
 - What works, what does not work for you as a retailer?
 - Recognizing that these are complicated processes in place for a reason, what would be helpful to change if we had the power to change anything?
 - Is there anything else we should ask that we have not?
 - Is there additional information that retailers/online platforms/courts currently track that would be helpful for law enforcement to investigate organized retail crime? For prosecutors to have?
 - What would be helpful for retailers to do to support the needs of law enforcement and prosecutors?
 - Are there challenges in collecting information?

Identify Next Steps (1:30-1:45)

- Topics for future meetings?
- Is anyone missing at the table?
- General bylaws and rules
- Tentative Schedule

Final Thoughts and Closing (1:45 – 2:00)

Hybrid Meeting Details and Decorum

In-person participants are asked to use these practices:

- Mute phones and exit the room if cell phone use is needed.
- Be aware of video participants.
- Raise hand to request turn to talk.

Video participants are asked to use these practices:

- Mute yourself when you are not talking.
- Use the rename function to post the name you prefer to be called in the meeting.
- Use the raised hand function to request a turn to talk.

Tentative Schedule for ORC Task Force Meetings

- Meeting I July 7, 2022
- Meeting II November, 2022
- Meeting III March, 2023
- Meeting IV- July, 2023