

1 of a term, the President shall convene a
2 Blue Ribbon Advisory Panel that includes
3 individuals representing each major polit-
4 ical party and individuals who are inde-
5 pendent of a political party and that con-
6 sists of an odd number of individuals se-
7 lected by the President from retired Fed-
8 eral judges, former law enforcement offi-
9 cials, or individuals with experience in elec-
10 tion law, except that the President may not
11 select any individual to serve on the panel
12 who holds any public office at the time of
13 selection. The President shall also make
14 reasonable efforts to encourage racial, eth-
15 nic, and gender diversity on the panel.

16 “(ii) RECOMMENDATIONS.—With re-
17 spect to each member of the Commission
18 whose term is expiring or each vacancy in
19 the membership of the Commission (as the
20 case may be), the Blue Ribbon Advisory
21 Panel shall recommend to the President at
22 least one but not more than 3 individuals
23 for nomination for appointment as a mem-
24 ber of the Commission.

1 “(iii) PUBLICATION.—At the time the
2 President submits to the Senate the nomi-
3 nations for individuals to be appointed as
4 members of the Commission, the President
5 shall publish the Blue Ribbon Advisory
6 Panel’s recommendations for such nomina-
7 tions.

8 “(iv) EXEMPTION FROM FEDERAL AD-
9 VISORY COMMITTEE ACT.—The Federal
10 Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.)
11 does not apply to a Blue Ribbon Advisory
12 Panel convened under this subparagraph.

13 “(C) PROHIBITING ENGAGEMENT WITH
14 OTHER BUSINESS OR EMPLOYMENT DURING
15 SERVICE.—A member of the Commission shall
16 not engage in any other business, vocation, or
17 employment. Any individual who is engaging in
18 any other business, vocation, or employment at
19 the time of his or her appointment to the Com-
20 mission shall terminate or liquidate such activ-
21 ity no later than 90 days after such appoint-
22 ment.”.

