

1 CHAIRMAN JAMES: Now, in keeping with our
2 requirements, the Congressional mandate, this panel and another
3 one in New Orleans tomorrow will provide a discussion of the
4 examination of any relationship between legalized gambling and
5 crime.

6 And we chose to have this discussion in two cities
7 for a very simple reason and that was to accommodate the
8 specialists whose schedules were irreconcilable and it's our hope
9 that we will gain the benefit of some very important testimony.

10 And so that's why we broke the panels up and some
11 will be testifying today and some will be testifying tomorrow.

12 As I call your names, would you please take your
13 places at the witness table? Joining us for our discussion,
14 please welcome Dr. Jay Albanese, Professor and Chair of the
15 Virginia Commonwealth University's Department of Criminal
16 Justice. How's the weather back home in Virginia?

17 DR. ALBANESE: Not raining.

18 Mr. Terrence Brunner, Executive Director of the
19 Better Government Association in Chicago, Illinois; Mr. Jeremy
20 Margolis, Director of the Illinois State Police; Bobby Jay, an
21 expert on gambling and crime from the Americans Against Organized
22 Gambling; and Ms. Donna Kelly.

23 I remind our witnesses that you have ten minutes each
24 to speak and we will begin -- and you are presumed to be under
25 oath, as all of our witnesses are.

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