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## **MSPB WELCOMES ACTING CHAIRMAN CATHY A. HARRIS**

On January 4, 2022, President Joseph R. Biden [renominated](#) Cathy A. Harris to serve as a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB or Board) and separately renominated her as Chairman. The U.S. Senate confirmed her nomination as a Member on May 25, 2022, and Ms. Harris was sworn in on June 1, 2022. On June 6, 2022, President Biden designated Ms. Harris as Vice Chairman. As such, and until the U.S. Senate acts on her nomination as Chairman, Ms. Harris will serve as Acting Chairman, and Raymond Limon will serve as a Board Member along with Board Member Tristan Leavitt. This is the first time in over seven years that MSPB has had a full complement of three Board members.

Upon being sworn in, Ms. Harris expressed, "I am deeply honored that I have been confirmed to this position. As I have dedicated my career over the past two decades to representing federal employees and agencies in employment disputes, I know how indispensable the MSPB is to maintaining a fair, equitable, and merit-based Federal workforce."

Ms. Harris most recently served as co-manager of the law firm of Kator, Parks, Weiser & Harris, PLLC, in Washington, DC. Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Harris was an Assistant District Attorney in the New York County District Attorney's Office. She also previously served as an Adjunct Professor at the George Washington University Law School. Ms. Harris graduated from the George Washington University Law School in Washington, DC with honors and received her undergraduate degree from Brown University. She resides in Silver Spring, Maryland with her wife and daughter.

The U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB) is an independent, quasi-judicial agency whose mission is to protect the Merit System Principles and promote an effective Federal workforce free of Prohibited Personnel Practices.