

Report on Political Appointees to Nonpolitical Permanent Positions

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1/16/2019	Lawrynowicz, Malgorzata	Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Army Installations, Energy, and Environment Office of the Secretary of the Army Department of Defense	7/14/2015	Schedule C GS-0343-15 \$120,952	1/20/2017	Attorney (Deputy Director) Naval Legal Service Command Immediate Office of the Chief of Naval Operations Department of Defense	GS-0905-15 \$122,643	Approved	2/12/2018	Case omitted from the January 1, 2019-December 31, 2019 Annual Report. Post-appointment review. Agency made appointment without first seeking OPM approval.
8/20/2019	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-11 \$52,329	1/20/2017	Information Technology Specialist (INFOSEC) Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Agency, Cybersecurity Division Department of Homeland Security	GS-2210-13 \$96,970	Approved	N/A	Update from the January - March 2020 Quarterly Report. (b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)
7/7/2020	Baptist, Eric	Associate Administrator for Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention Senior Deputy General Counsel Office of General Counsel and Deputy Assistant Environmental Protection Agency	8/19/2018	Noncareer SES ES-0905-00 \$179,700	6/12/2019	Assistant Chief Counsel Office of Vehicle Safety Standards and Harmonization Office of the General Counsel Department of Transportation	ES-0905-00 \$189,400	Approved	*N/A	*Update from the December 1, 2020 - January 20, 2021 Quarterly Report. Appointment date updated from "10/26/2020" to "N/A." Applicant declined the position.
8/20/2021	*Luce, John	*General Counsel *Office of the General Counsel *National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Department of Commerce	*7/22/2018	Noncareer SES ES-0905-00 *\$165,000	1/20/2021	Director National Pollution Funds Center U.S. Coast Guard Department of Homeland Security	ES-0340-00 \$177,632	Approved	*3/13/2022	*Updated from January 21, 2021 - December 31, 2021 Annual Report.* Name of Current/Former Political Appointee and Political Position Title and office added. Date appointed to political position and political appointment rate of basic pay added. Appointment date updated from "NA" to "3/13/2022."
10/13/2021	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-82 \$203,047	1/20/2021	Deputy Chief of Staff Financial Crimes Enforcement Network Department of Treasury	GS-0301-15 \$143,598	Approved	N/A	*Updated from January 21, 2021 - December 31, 2021 Annual Report. (b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)
10/14/2021	Murphy, Elizabeth	Senior Advisor Board of Veterans Appeals Department of Veterans Affairs	5/13/2020	Schedule C GS-0905-13 \$78,681	1/20/2021	Attorney-Advisor Board of Veterans Appeals Department of Veterans Affairs	GS-0905-13 \$78,681	Approved	*1/30/2022	*Update from the January 21, 2021-December 31, 2021 Annual Report. Appointment date updated from "1/31/2022" to "1/30/2022."
11/19/2021	*Kirk, William	*Deputy General Counsel Office of the General Counsel Department of Education	8/17/2020	Schedule C GS-0905-15 \$142,180	1/20/2021	Attorney-Advisor Office of Inspector General Environmental Protection Agency	GS-0905-14 \$109,557	Approved	*2/27/2022	*Update from the January 21, 2021-December 31, 2021 Annual Report. Name of Current/Former Political Appointee and Political Position Title added. Appointment date updated from "NA" to "2/27/2022."
11/29/2021	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-14 \$92,977	10/10/2020	Management Analyst National Risk Management Center Cybersecurity and Information Security Agency Department of Homeland Security	GS-0343-14 \$93,907	*Denied	N/A	*Update from the January 21, 2021-December 31, 2021 Annual Report. (b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)
12/16/2021	*Kennedy, Victoria	*Confidential Assistant Immediate Office of the Under Secretary for Rural Development Office of the Secretary Department of Agriculture	3/20/2016	Schedule C GS-0301-11 \$51,811	1/20/2017	Administrative Specialist *Office of the Chief Counsel for Economic Affairs Office of General Counsel Office of the Secretary Department of Commerce	GS-0301-11 \$55,756	Approved	*5/9/2022	*Update from the January 21, 2021-December 31, 2021 Annual Report. Name of Current/Former Political Appointee and Political Position Title added. Proposed position office name added. Appointment date updated from "NA" to "5/9/2022."
12/29/2021	*Richmond, Tamara	*Secretary Office of the United States Attorney General Central District of Illinois Department of Justice	5/12/2019	Schedule C GS-0318-10 \$50,246	3/14/2021	Victim Witness Specialist Office of the United States Attorney General Central District of Illinois Department of Justice	GS-0301-11 \$55,756	Approved	*3/13/2022	*Update from the January 21, 2021-December 31, 2021 Annual Report. Name of Current/Former Political Appointee and Political Position Title added. Appointment date updated from "NA" to "3/13/2022."
1/4/2022	Dalton, Sean	Attorney-Advisor Office of the Chairman National Transportation Safety Board	9/26/2021	Schedule C GS-0905-15 \$132,552	Held political appointment at time of request.	Attorney Advisor (General) Fiscal, Ethics, and Administrative Law Office of General Counsel U.S. Air Force Department of Defense	NH-0905-IV \$146,757	Approved	2/27/2022	N/A
1/4/2022	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	PA AD-0905-00 \$167,000	1/19/2021	Attorney-Advisor (General) Office of Chief Counsel Drug Enforcement Administration Department of Justice	GS-0905-15 \$128,870	Returned	N/A	(b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)

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1/12/2022	Griffis, Kevin	Assistant Secretary of Public Affairs Office of Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs Department of Health and Human Services	4/10/2015	PA EX-0301-IV \$155,500	1/20/2017	Associate Director for Communication Office of the Director Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Department of Health and Human Services	ES-1035-00 \$199,300	Approved	6/21/2022	N/A
2/3/2022	Jones, David	Associate Counsel to the President Office of the White House Counsel The White House	12/5/2018	PA AD-0301-00 \$130,000	1/19/2021	Attorney Advisor Ethics Section General Law Branch Legal Division Commodity Futures Trading Commission	CT-0905-14 \$153,305	Approved	5/8/2022	N/A
2/8/2022	Ramirez, Christine	Deputy Director of Agency Liaison Office of the Staff Secretary Presidential Correspondence The White House	4/26/2020	PA AD-0301-00 \$64,400	1/19/2021	Grants Management Specialist Office of Justice Programs Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Department of Justice	GS-1109-13 \$81,216	Approved	4/10/2022	N/A
2/18/2022	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-12 \$85,060	Held political appointment at time of request.	Attorney Advisor Office of International Affairs Securities and Exchange Commission	SK-0905-14 Not reported.	Approved	N/A	(b) (6)
3/2/2022	Adams, Kristine	Regional Affairs Advisor Immediate Office of the Secretary Office of Policy, International Engagement Department of Homeland Security	10/13/2019	Schedule C GS-0301-12 \$64,490	8/15/2020	Transportation Industry Analyst Office of International Aviation Office of the Undersecretary Department of Transportation	GS-2110-12 \$75,130	Approved	5/8/2022	N/A
3/7/2022	Hobbs, Timothy	State Director Rural Development State Offices Office of the Main State Director Department of Agriculture	11/26/2017	Schedule C GS-0301-15 \$103,672	1/20/2021	Program Manager (Deputy District Director) Office of Field Operations Region I Boston Regional Office Small Business Administration	GS-0340-14 \$124,764	Approved	4/24/2022	N/A
3/25/2022	Burch, Kimberly	Legal Administrative Specialist Office of the Chairman Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission	4/1/2019	Schedule C GS-0901-11 \$53,805	7/18/2020	Administrative Officer Office of the Executive Director Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission	GS-0341-12 \$66,167	Denied	7/19/2020	Post-appointment review. Agency made appointment without first seeking OPM approval. (b) (5)-DPP (b) (6)
3/29/2022	Fistonich, George	Policy Assistant Domestic Policy Council Office of National AIDS Policy The White House	5/6/2013	PA AD-0301-00 \$45,000	1/19/2017	Public Health Analyst Division of State HIV/AIDS Programs Health Resources and Services Administration Department of Health and Human Services	GS-0685-13 \$89,923	Approved	6/21/2022	N/A
4/26/2022	Name excluded.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-12	8/15/2020	Program Analyst (Regional Desk Officer) Security Operations International Operations Directorate Transportation Security Agency Department of Homeland Security	SV-0343-I \$77,453	Returned	(b) (5)-DPP	(b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)
6/17/2022	Wallerstein, Daniel	Information Technology Specialist Immediate Office of the Special Counsel Office of Special Counsel	2/14/2019	Schedule C GS-2210-14 \$89,370	7/14/2020	IT Specialist (Infosec) Office of Management Programs Office of Information Technology Civil Division Department of Justice	GS-2210-15 \$112,890	Approved	9/25/2022	N/A
6/22/2022	O'Hare, Michael	Regional Administrator Federal Emergency Management Agency Department of Homeland Security	3/4/2018	Noncareer SES ES-0340-00 \$175,000	1/20/2021	Regional Administrator National Engagement and Region Administration Federal Aviation Administration Department of Transportation	EV-0340-02 \$178,325	Approved	9/11/2022	N/A
7/22/2022	Liben, Paul	Writer-Editor (Chief Speechwriter) Office of Public Affairs Immediate Office of the Director Department of Energy	9/6/2017	Schedule C GS-1082-14 \$108,702	1/20/2021	Speechwriter U.S. Space Force U.S. Air Force Department of Defense	NH-1082-IV \$125,188	Approved	7/6/2021	Post-appointment review. Agency made appointment without first seeking OPM approval.
8/3/2022	Field, Kim	Deputy Assistant Secretary Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations Department of State	6/28/2015	Noncareer SES ES-0340-00 \$145,267	1/20/2017	Director Plans, Policy, Strategy and Concepts U.S. Special Operations Command U.S. Air Force Department of Defense	ES-0301-00 \$183,300	Approved	7/6/2021	Post-appointment review. Agency made appointment without first seeking OPM approval.

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8/9/2022	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-11 \$56,983	Held political appointment at time of request.	Paralegal Specialist Office of Policy Planning Federal Trade Commission	GS-0950-07 \$38,503	Returned	N/A	(b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)
8/18/2022	Blyth, Jonathan	Director Office of the Director Congressional, Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs Office of Personnel Management	7/30/2018	Noncareer SES ES-0340-00 \$183,100	5/23/2020	Congressional Affairs Advisor Office of the Inspector General Office of the Chief Strategy Officer Social Security Administration	GS-0301-15 \$146,757	Approved	12/4/2022	N/A
8/31/2022	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-15 \$125,188	Held political appointment at time of request.	Senior Advisor Healthcare and Insurance Office of Personnel Management	GS-0301-15 \$125,188	Denied	N/A	(b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)
9/1/2022	Casaperalta, Edyael Del Carmen	Senior Policy Advisor Rural Development Department of Agriculture	2/28/2021	Schedule C GS-0301-14 \$93,907	Held political appointment at time of request.	Chief of Staff Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Office of the Bureau Chief Federal Communications Commission	GS-0301-15 \$112,890	Approved	10/23/2022	N/A
9/12/2022	Bird, Jennifer	Special Assistant Deputy Assistant Director for Middle East Policy Office of the Secretary of Defense Department of Defense	8/7/2016	Schedule C GS-0301-15 \$102,646	1/20/2017	Business Operations Manager Air Force Research Laboratory U.S. Air Force Department of Defense	DO-1101-04 \$126,456	Denied	4/13/2020	Post-appointment review. Agency made appointment without first seeking OPM approval. (b) (5)-DPP (b) (6)
9/13/2022	Name excluded. Not appointed.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0343-11 \$55,204	8/15/2020	Policy Analyst Departmental Offices Office of Domestic Finance Office of Financial Institutions Department of Treasury	GS-0301-13 \$68,377	Returned	N/A	(b) (6)
9/15/2022	Scheinman, Sarah	Associate Deputy General Counsel Office of General Counsel Office of Management and Budget	9/12/2021	Schedule C GS-0905-13 \$84,766	6/3/2022	Attorney-Advisor Competition Policy and Advocacy Section Antitrust Division Department of Justice	GS-0905-15 \$112,890	Approved	10/31/2022	N/A
9/20/2022	Name excluded. Decision Pending.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0301-12 \$62,101	1/20/2017	Program Analyst Plutonium Program Office Assistant Deputy Administrator for Production Modernization Office of Defense Programs National Nuclear Security Administration Department of Energy	EN-0343-04 \$104,614	Pending	(b) (6)	Post Appointment review. (b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)
10/5/2022	McCormack, Richard	Director of Speechwriting and Senior Advisor Office of Counsellor/Chief of Staff Office of Public Affairs Office of the Secretary Department of Commerce	7/7/2019	Schedule C GS-0301-15 \$106,595	9/12/2020	Technical Writer-Editor Office of the Chief Communications Officer U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Department of Commerce	GS-1083-14 \$124,764	Approved	1/17/2023	N/A
10/11/2022	Goldstein, Samantha	Senior Counsel Office of Legal Policy Department of Justice	5/24/2021	Schedule C GS-0905-15 \$110,460	Held political appointment at time of request.	Attorney-Advisor Office of Legal Counsel Department of Justice	GS-0905-15 \$127,942	Approved	1/15/2023	N/A
11/1/2022	Name excluded. Decision pending.	Title excluded. (b) (6)	(b) (6)	PA AD-0343-00 \$64,490	2/14/2020	Management and Program Analyst Bureau for Management U.S. Agency for International Development	GS-0343-14 \$93,907	Pending	(b) (6)	Post Appointment review. (b) (5)-DPP, (b) (6)

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12/14/2022	Name excluded. Decision pending.	Title excluded. (b) (6) [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]	(b) (6)	Schedule C GS-0343-11 \$55,204	8/15/2020	Program Analyst Chief of Staff Strategy, Policy Coordination and Innovation Transportation Security Administration Department of Homeland Security	SV-0343-I \$73,482	Pending	N/A	(b) (6)-DPP, (b) (6)

Updated Cases From Previous Reports	
From CY2019 Report	1
January - March 2020 Report	
Date Appointed	1
December 1, 2020 - January 20, 2021 Report	
Date Appointed	1
January 21, 2021 - December 31, 2021 Report	
Date Appointed	6
Decision Denied	1
<b>Total Updates</b>	<b>10</b>

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<b>Total Cases:</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Decision Approved:</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Decision Denied:</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Decision Pending:</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Returned to Agency without Agency:</b>	<b>4</b>