

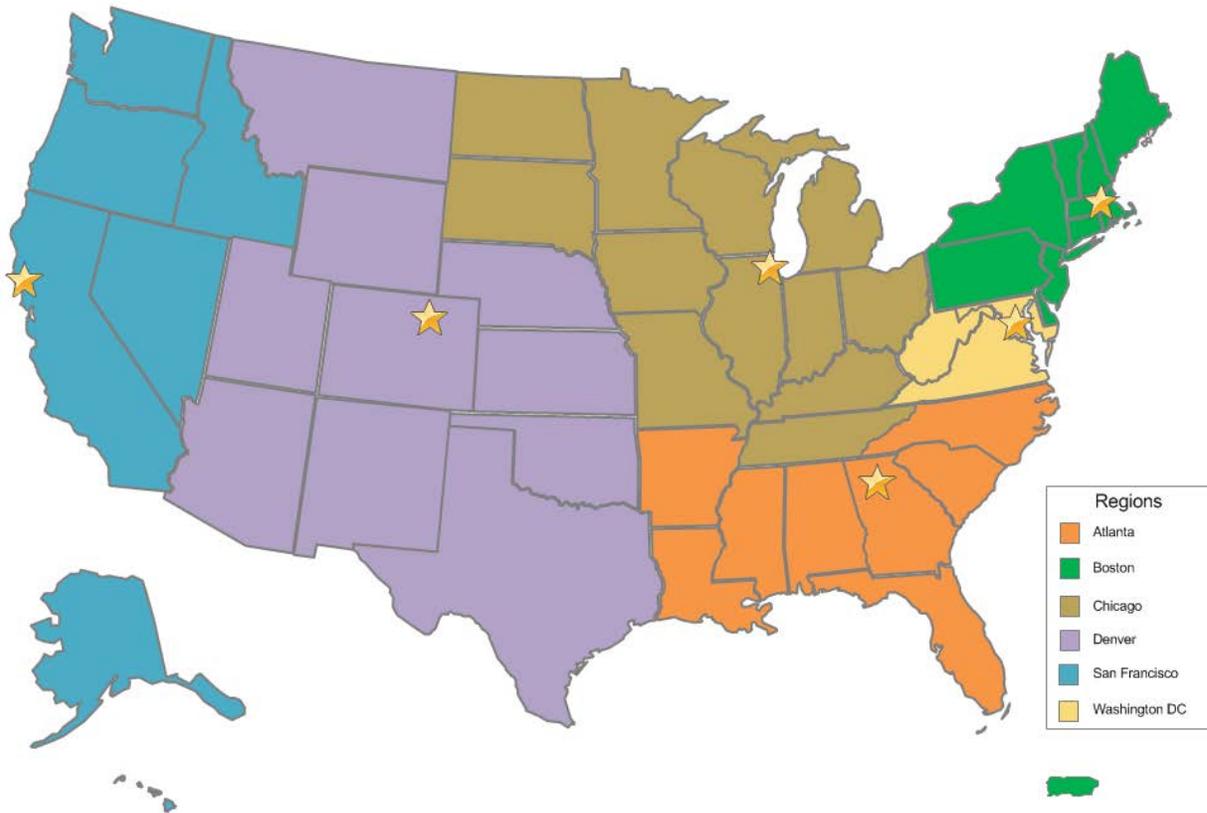
## CLOSURE OF THE DALLAS REGIONAL OFFICE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**1. When does the Dallas Regional Office (DRO) close?**

The Dallas Regional Office (DRO) will close on September 21, 2018. This means that, effective on the close of business on September 21, 2018, the DRO will no longer process cases or accept any new cases or case filings. The FLRA announced the closure in the Federal Register on September 13, 2018.

**2. Where should I file cases that were previously filed in the DRO?**

The FLRA has reassigned the DRO's jurisdiction to its Denver and Atlanta Regional Directors, as illustrated below:



After September 21, 2018, cases arising in New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas, should be filed with, and will be handled by, the Denver Regional Office. Cases arising in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Panama, should be filed with, and will be handled by, the Atlanta Regional Office.

**3. Is the jurisdiction of any other Regional Director affected by this change?**

In order to balance regional caseloads affected by the DRO closure, the FLRA has also reassigned the jurisdiction of cases arising in South Dakota, from the Denver Regional Director to the Chicago Regional Director. Accordingly, after September 21, 2018, cases arising in South Dakota should be filed with, and will be handled by, the Chicago Regional Office.

**4. What will happen to cases currently pending with the DRO when it closes?**

Prior to the DRO's closure, the Dallas Regional Director will transfer all pending cases to other Regional Offices as appropriate. The parties to these cases will receive prompt notification of such transfers.

**5. How will the DRO's closure affect e-filing?**

Upon the DRO's closure, the FLRA's e-filing system will no longer allow parties to e-file with the DRO, and will redirect parties to file cases or pleadings with the appropriate Regional Office.

**6. What will happen if I inadvertently file a case by mail or fax with the DRO after it has closed?**

While the DRO will not accept any case filings after September 21, 2018, any case filings inadvertently filed after September 21, **but prior to the close of business on September 28, 2018**, will be administratively redirected to the appropriate Region for processing. Accordingly, unfair labor practice charges or representation petitions received by mail, fax, or hand-delivery by the DRO during this time period will be forwarded to the Regional Office having jurisdiction over the matter. After **the close of business on September 28, 2018**, all parties will be solely responsible for ensuring that their filings are sent to the proper Regional Office.

**7. Where can I direct questions regarding administrative matters related to the DRO's closure?**

General administrative questions may be directed to Kurt Rumsfeld, Assistant General Counsel, FLRA, at [krumsfeld@flra.gov](mailto:krumsfeld@flra.gov) or 202-218-7789. Questions regarding pending cases should be directed to the Regional Director of the region handling the case.