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FLRA GENERAL COUNSEL TO HOLD TOWN HALL MEETING IN CHICAGO

The Federal Labor Relations Authority's (FLRA's) General Counsel, Julia Akins Clark, has announced that the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) will hold a town hall meeting in Chicago, on September 22. The meeting will introduce two new information resources for the parties -- a comprehensive, interactive, web-based unfair labor practice case law outline and practice manual -- and will include a panel discussion with FLRA Chairman Carol Waller Pope, General Counsel Clark and Federal Service Impasses Panel Member Edward F. Hartfield.

"Town hall meetings are a useful way for the FLRA to share information with the Federal agencies, Federal employees, and organizations representing Federal employees about what we are doing and the services we offer to meet our core mission of promptly resolving disputes," said General Counsel Clark. "Meeting directly with the people we serve allows us to ensure that we are successfully meeting their needs, especially learning what we can do to improve our operations."

The town hall meeting will be held September 22, 2010, from 1:00-4:00pm at the Ralph H. Metcalfe Federal Building, Lake Michigan Room, 12th Floor, 77 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604. RSVP by email to: ithomas@flra.gov or call 312-886-3465, ext. 4011. Additional town hall meetings will be held in Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, Denver, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C. over the next six months.

The FLRA administers the labor-management relations program for 1.6 million non-Postal Federal employees worldwide, approximately 1.1 million of whom are represented in 2,200 bargaining units. It is charged with providing leadership in establishing policies and guidance related to Federal sector labor-management relations and with resolving disputes under, and ensuring compliance with, the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute. The OGC is the independent investigative and prosecutorial component of the FLRA. Through its seven regional offices, it investigates, settles, and prosecutes unfair labor practice charges, resolves representation disputes, and provides training to Federal sector parties on improving their labor-management relations.