The FLRA is pleased to announce that President Obama has announced his intent to reappoint Marvin Johnson and David Walker as Members of the Federal Service Impasses Panel (FSIP), an independent entity within the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA). FLRA Chairman Carol Waller Pope and FSIP Chair Mary Jacksteit expressed their pleasure at the announcement.

Marvin Johnson is Executive Director of the Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution, which he founded at Bowie State University in 1986. He has been a Mediator, Arbitrator, and Trainer with Accormend Associates since 1984. Mr. Johnson was Assistant and Associate Professor of Labor Relations, Law, and Dispute Resolution at Bowie State University from 1983 to 2000, and he was Adjunct Professor at The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law from 2008 to 2012. He served as a Member of the Foreign Service Grievance Board from 2005 to 2007. Mr. Johnson has served on numerous boards and panels, including the Association for Conflict Resolution, the American Bar Association Section of Dispute Resolution, the International Academy of Mediators, the American Arbitration Association, and the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS). Mr. Johnson currently serves as a member of the FSIP, a position he has held since 2015. He previously served on the FSIP from 1999 to 2002 and from 2009 to 2012. Mr. Johnson received a B.B.A. from Kent State University, an M.S. from the University of Wisconsin, and a J.D. from The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law.

David Walker currently serves on the FMCS Roster of Arbitrators, a position he has held since 2004. Mr. Walker was on the Central Florida/South Florida/Suncoast Expedited Arbitration Panel of the U.S. Postal Service and the National Mail Handlers Union from 2002 to 2005. From 1968 to 2003, he was an attorney in private practice specializing in labor relations. As an arbitrator, he was a member of the American Arbitration Association Construction Disputes Panel throughout the 1970s. Mr. Walker was also a member of the National Panel of Arbitrators maintained by the American Federation of Government Employees, and he served as an arbitrator for the Social Security Administration. Mr. Walker also served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force from 1962 to 1965. He has served as a member of the FSIP since 2015. Mr. Walker received a B.S. from Louisiana State University, an M.A. from George Washington University, and an L.L.B. from Harvard Law School.

The FLRA administers the labor-management relations program for 2.1 million non-Postal federal employees worldwide, approximately 1.2 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 Statute). The FSIP resolves impasses between federal agencies and unions representing federal employees arising from negotiations over conditions of employment under the Statute and the Federal Employees Flexible and Compressed Work Schedules Act.

For further information regarding the FSIP or these appointments, please contact Kimberly Moseley, Executive Director of the Panel, at (202) 218-7790.

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