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## FLRA REGIONAL DIRECTOR APPOINTED

The Office of General Counsel (OGC) of the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Jean Perata as Regional Director of the San Francisco Regional Office. Ms. Perata will be responsible for management of personnel and operations relating to the investigation, analysis, resolution, and litigation of unfair labor practice cases in the San Francisco Region, which covers Alaska, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington. In addition, she will supervise the processing of representation petitions for cases arising in her Region.

Ms. Perata began her career with the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) in the San Francisco Region, on the first day of its existence in January 1979. In 1996, she was appointed Deputy Regional Director for the San Francisco Regional Office, and she was appointed Acting Regional Director in January 2012. Ms. Perata has almost 36 years of experience with the FLRA and its predecessor, the Office of Labor Management Services in the Department of Labor. In addition to being a manager in the San Francisco Region since 1996, since August 2009 she has served as Assistant to the General Counsel for Representation Cases, coordinating the processing of Representation cases throughout all seven Regions. She has also designed and presented extensive training programs on Representation issues involving reorganizations and successorship to parties all over the country. Last year, Ms. Perata successfully coordinated and ran the largest election ever conducted by the FLRA, involving almost 44,000 Transportation Security Officers employed by the Transportation Security Agency. Ms. Perata has served as the Acting Regional Director of the San Francisco Region from January 2012 until she was appointed Regional Director effective May 20, 2012. Ms. Perata received her Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*, from the University of California, Berkeley.

The FLRA administers the labor-management relations program for 2.1 million non-Postal Federal employees worldwide. Approximately 1.2 million of these employees are represented in 2,200 bargaining units. The FLRA provides leadership by establishing policies and guidance related to Federal sector labor-management relations and by resolving disputes under, and ensuring compliance with, the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute. The Office of General Counsel is the FLRA's independent investigative and prosecutorial component. The OGC's [seven regional offices](#) investigate, settle, and prosecute unfair labor practice charges, resolve representation disputes including the conduct of secret ballot elections, and provide training to Federal sector parties on improving their labor-management relations.

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