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## **FLRA APPOINTS FRED B. JACOB AS SOLICITOR**

Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) Chairman Carol Waller Pope announced today Fred B. Jacob's appointment as Solicitor of the FLRA.

As Solicitor, Mr. Jacob represents the FLRA before all federal courts, including the Supreme Court and the courts of appeals, and he advises FLRA components on legal issues arising under the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute. Mr. Jacob also serves as the FLRA's in-house counsel, providing legal guidance on laws such as the Ethics in Government Act, the Freedom of Information Act, the Privacy Act, and the Sunshine Act. Commenting on the appointment, Chairman Pope said, "Fred's expertise in labor law, federal court litigation, and agency management makes him a superb choice for Solicitor. As a member of the FLRA's leadership team, Fred's skills will help ensure that we provide superior service to the public, develop our own workforce, and achieve organizational and managerial excellence."

Mr. Jacob comes to the FLRA after a 17-year career at the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), where he most recently served as Deputy Assistant General Counsel in the Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Branch. Prior to the NLRB, Mr. Jacob clerked in the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and worked in private practice. A longtime adjunct professor, Mr. Jacob has taught labor and employment law courses at Georgetown University Law Center and the College of William and Mary. He received his B.A. from Brandeis University in 1991, and his J.D. from the College of William and Mary School of Law in 1994.

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.

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