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RRB Names Director of Legislative Affairs/Legislative Counsel

The U.S. Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has appointed Beverly Britton Fraser as Director of Legislative Affairs/Legislative Counsel. The appointment was effective April 18, 2016.

She replaces Director of Legislative Affairs Margaret Lindsley, who retired in February 2016 after more than 35 years of RRB service.

In her new position, Ms. Britton Fraser will manage the RRB's Office of Legislative Affairs in Washington, DC, serving as the agency's liaison with congressional and executive branch offices in the Capital, as well as providing legal and legislative advice to the agency's Board Members and executives on railroad retirement and unemployment insurance issues.

At the time of her appointment, Ms. Britton Fraser served as Senior Counsel for the House Committee on Oversight & Government Reform in the U.S. Congress, a position she had held since April 2009. In that capacity, she advised committee members, prepared reports, organized and managed investigations, drafted and analyzed legislation, and oversaw hearings. In addition, she participated in negotiations for the release of seven American tourists jailed abroad and led a congressional staff delegation on a trade mission to China.

Before joining the congressional staff, Ms. Britton Fraser was a Senior Trial Attorney for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission from August 2007 to June 2008, and held two positions working in New York City courts.

From January 1997 to July 2007, she was a Principal Court Attorney in the Civil Court of the City of New York, and from September 1991 to December 1996, she was a Trial Attorney in the Criminal Defense Division of the Legal Aid Society, based in Brooklyn, NY.

A graduate of Cornell University (B.S., 1988) and the University of Buffalo Law School (J.D., 1991), Ms. Britton Fraser is currently working on a master's degree in health law at Loyola University Chicago School of Law, with completion planned for August 2016.

Admitted to practice law in both Florida and New York, as well as the federal courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York, she is also a member of the American Bar Association, the Florida Bar Association and the National Association of Professional Women.

Ms. Britton Fraser lives near Tampa, FL, with her husband Errol, and they are the parents of a son and a daughter.

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An independent federal agency headquartered in Chicago, the RRB pays over \$12 billion a year in benefits under the federal Railroad Retirement and Railroad Unemployment Insurance Acts covering the nation's railroad workers and their families.