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The President makes appointments to certain positions within the federal government, either using authorities granted to the President alone or with the advice and consent of the Senate. There are some 151 full-time leadership positions on 34 federal regulatory and other collegial boards and commissions for which the Senate provides advice and consent. This report identifies all nominations submitted to the Senate for full-time positions on these 34 boards and commissions during the 115th Congress.

Information for each board and commission is presented in profiles and tables. The profiles provide information on leadership structures and statutory requirements (such as term limits and party balance requirements). The tables include full-time positions confirmed by the Senate, incumbents as of the end of the 115th Congress, incumbents' parties (where balance is required), and appointment action within each board or commission. Additional summary information across all 34 boards and commissions appears in **Appendix A**.

During the 115th Congress, the President submitted 140 nominations to the Senate for full-time positions on these boards and commissions (most of the remaining positions on these boards and commissions were not vacant during that time). Of these 140 nominations, 75 were confirmed, 12 were withdrawn, and 53 were returned to the President. At the end of the 115th Congress, 22 incumbents were serving past the expiration of their terms. In addition, there were 43 vacancies among the 151 positions.

Information for this report was compiled using the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>, the *Congressional Record* (daily edition), the *Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents*, telephone discussions with agency officials, agency websites, the *United States Code*, and the 2016 *Plum Book (United States Government Policy and Supporting Positions)*.

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Introduction

The President is responsible for appointing individuals to certain positions in the federal government. In some instances, the President makes these appointments using authorities granted to the President alone. Other appointments, generally referred to with the abbreviation PAS, are made by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate via the nomination and confirmation process. This report identifies, for the 115th Congress, all nominations submitted to the Senate for full-time positions on 34 regulatory and other collegial boards and commissions.

This report includes profiles on the leadership structures of each of these 34 boards and commissions as well as a pair of tables presenting information on each body's membership and appointment activity as of the end of the 115th Congress.

- The profiles discuss the statutory requirements for the appointed positions, including the number of members on each board or commission, their terms of office, whether they may continue in their positions after their terms expire, whether political balance is required, and the method for selecting the chair.
- The first table in each pair provides information on full-time positions requiring Senate confirmation as of the end of the 115th Congress.
- The second table tracks appointment activity for each board or commission within the 115th Congress by the Senate (confirmations, rejections, returns to the President, and elapsed time between nomination and confirmation), as well as further related presidential activity (including withdrawals and recess appointments).¹

In some instances, no appointment action occurred within a board or commission during the 115th Congress.

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Congressional Research Service (CRS) reports regarding the presidential appointments process, nomination activity for other executive branch positions, recess appointments, and other related matters are available to congressional clients at <http://www.crs.gov>.²

Characteristics of Regulatory and Other Collegial Bodies

Common Features

Federal executive branch boards and commissions discussed in this report share, among other characteristics, the following: (1) they are independent executive branch bodies located, with four

¹ For more information on recess appointments, see CRS Report RS21308, *Recess Appointments: Frequently Asked Questions*, by Henry B. Hogue.

² A collection of such reports may be found at <http://www.crs.gov/search/#/0?termsToSearch=Executive%20%26%20Judicial%20Branch%20Appointments&orderBy=Date&navIds=4294931003>.

exceptions, outside executive departments;³ (2) several board or commission members head each entity, and at least one of these members serves full time; (3) the members are appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate; and (4) the members serve fixed terms of office and, except in a few bodies, the President’s power to remove them is restricted.

Terms of Office

For most of the boards and commissions included in this report, the fixed terms of office for member positions have set beginning and end dates, irrespective of whether the posts are filled or when appointments are made. In contrast, for a few agencies, such as the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, the full term begins when an appointee takes office and expires after the incumbent has held the post for the requisite period of time. The end dates of the fixed terms of a board’s members are staggered, so that the terms do not expire all at once. The use of terms with fixed beginning and end dates is intended to minimize the occurrence of simultaneous board member departures and thereby increase leadership continuity.

Under such an arrangement, an individual is nominated to a particular position and a particular term of office. An individual may be nominated and confirmed for a position for the remainder of an unexpired term to replace an appointee who has resigned (or died). Alternatively, an individual might be nominated for an upcoming term with the expectation that the new term will be under way by the time of confirmation. Occasionally, when the unexpired term has been for a relatively short period, the President has submitted two nominations of the same person simultaneously—the first to complete the unexpired term and the second to complete the entire succeeding term of office.

Appointment of Chairs and Political Independence

On some commissions, the chair is subject to Senate confirmation and must be appointed from among the incumbent commissioners. If the President wishes to appoint, as chair, someone who is not on the commission, the President simultaneously submits two nominations for the nominee—one for member and the other for chair.

As independent entities with staggered membership, executive branch boards and commissions have more political independence from the President than do executive departments. Nonetheless, the President can sometimes exercise significant influence over the composition of a board or commission’s membership when he designates the chair or has the opportunity to fill a number of vacancies at once. For example, President George W. Bush had the chance to shape the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) during the first two years of his presidency because of existing vacancies, resignations, and a member’s death. Likewise, during the same time period, President Bush was able to submit nominations for all of the positions on the National Labor Relations

³ Exceptions are as follows: (1) the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), located in the Department of Energy (DOE); (2) the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission (FCSC), located in the Department of Justice (DOJ); (3) the United States Parole Commission (USPC), located in the Department of Justice (DOJ); and (4) the Surface Transportation Board (STB), located in the Department of Transportation (DOT). FERC’s enabling statute designated it as an independent entity in DOE and provided that its members and employees are not subject to the supervision or direction of department officials (42 U.S.C. §7171(d)). The FCSC was designated as an independent entity within DOJ with a provision specifying that decisions of the commission with respect to claims shall not be subject to review by the Attorney General (22 U.S.C. §1622g). The enabling statute of the USPC established it as an independent agency within DOJ (18 U.S.C. §4202). The enabling statute of the STB provided that “members, employees, and other personnel of the Board shall not be responsible to or subject to the supervision or direction of any officer, employee, or agent” of DOT (49 U.S.C. §703(c)).

Board because of existing vacancies, expiring recess appointments, and resignations. Simultaneous turnover of board or commission membership may result from coincidence, but it also may be the result of a buildup of vacancies after extended periods of time in which the President does not nominate, or the Senate does not confirm, members.

Political Affiliations and Inspectors General

Two other notable characteristics apply to appointments to some of the boards and commissions. First, for 26 of the 34 bodies discussed in this report, the law limits the number of appointed members who may belong to the same political party, usually to no more than a bare majority of the appointed members (e.g., two of three or three of five).⁴ Second, advice and consent requirements also apply to inspector general appointments in four of these organizations and general counsel appointments in three.

Appointments During the 115th Congress

During the 115th Congress, President Donald Trump submitted nominations to the Senate for 112 of the 151 full-time positions on 34 regulatory and other boards and commissions. In attempting to fill these 112 positions, he submitted a total of 140 nominations, of which 75 were confirmed, 12 were withdrawn, and 53 were returned to the President. No recess appointments were made. **Table 1** summarizes the appointment activity for the 115th Congress. At the end of the Congress, 22 incumbents were serving past the expiration of their terms.⁵ In addition, there were 43 vacancies among the 151 positions.

Table 1. Appointment Action to Full-Time Positions for Regulatory and Other Collegial Boards and Commissions
(115th Congress, 2017-2018)

Positions on Boards and Commissions (Total)	151
Positions to which nominations were made	112
Individual nominees	102
Nominations Submitted to the Senate During the 115th Congress (Total)	140
Disposition of nominations	
Confirmed by the Senate	75
Withdrawn	12
Returned	53
Recess Appointments	0

Source: Created by the Congressional Research Service (CRS). The information in this table summarizes data presented in **Table A-2**.

⁴ For 3 of these 26 organizations—the Election Assistance Commission, the Federal Election Commission, and the United States International Trade Commission—the number of member positions is even and no more than half may be of the same party.

⁵ The enabling statutes for some boards and commissions provide for the continuation of a member’s service past the end of his or her term for an additional specified period of time or until replaced by a successor. Such provisions are known as *holdover provisions*. A member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, for example, serves for a term of five years but “may serve after the expiration of that member’s term until a successor has taken office” (42 U.S.C. §2286(d)(3)).

Length of Time to Confirm a Nomination

The length of time a given nomination may be pending in the Senate has varied widely. Some nominations have been confirmed within a few days, others have been confirmed within several months, and some have never been confirmed. In the board and commission profiles, this report provides, for each board or commission nomination confirmed in the 115th Congress, the number of days between nomination and confirmation (“days to confirm”).

Under Senate rules, nominations not acted on by the Senate at the end of a session of Congress (or before a recess of 30 days) are returned to the President.⁶ The Senate, by unanimous consent, often waives this rule—although not always.⁷ In cases where the President resubmits a returned nomination, this report measures the days to confirm from the date of receipt of the resubmitted nomination, not the original.

For those nominations confirmed in the 115th Congress, a mean of 121.0 days elapsed between nomination and confirmation. The median number of days elapsed was 91.0.

Organization of the Report

Board and Commission Profiles

Each of the 34 board or commission profiles in this report is organized into three parts. First, the leadership structure section discusses the statutory requirements for the appointed positions, including the number of members on each board or commission, their terms of office, whether these members may continue in their positions after their terms expire, whether political balance is required, and the method for selecting the chair.

The first table lists incumbents to full-time positions as of the end of the 115th Congress, along with party affiliation⁸ (where applicable), date of first confirmation, and term expiration date. Incumbents whose terms have expired are italicized. Most incumbents serve fixed terms of office and are removable only for specified causes. They generally remain in office when a new Administration assumes office following a presidential election.

The second table lists appointment action for vacant positions during the 115th Congress. This table provides the name of the nominee, position title, date of nomination or appointment, date of confirmation, and number of days between receipt of a nomination and confirmation, and notes relevant actions other than confirmation (e.g., nominations returned to or withdrawn by the President).

⁶ For more information on floor procedure related to Senate consideration of nominations, see CRS Report RL31980, *Senate Consideration of Presidential Nominations: Committee and Floor Procedure*, by Elizabeth Rybicki.

⁷ On January 3, 2018, some nominations were returned to the President under Senate rules, between the first and second session of the 115th Congress. No unanimous consent agreement was reached that nominations received in the first session remain as status quo notwithstanding Senate Rule XXXI (which requires nominations not acted upon to be returned to the President at the end of the session). In some cases, the President renominated those individuals whose nominations had been returned to him.

⁸ For those agencies requiring political balance among their members, the party affiliation of an incumbent is listed as Democrat (D), Republican (R), or Independent (I).

When more than one nominee has had appointment action, the second table also provides statistics on the length of time between nomination and confirmation. The average days to confirm are provided in the form of a mean number.

Additional Appointment Information

Appendix A provides two tables. **Table A-1** includes information on each of the nominations and appointments to regulatory and other collegial boards and commissions during the 115th Congress. It is alphabetically organized and follows a similar format to that of the “Appointment Action” sections discussed above. It identifies the board or commission involved and the dates of nomination and confirmation. It also indicates if a nomination was withdrawn, returned, rejected, or if a recess appointment was made. In addition, it provides the mean and median number of days taken to confirm a nomination.⁹

Table A-2 contains summary information on appointments and nominations by organization. For each of the 34 independent boards and commissions discussed in this report, it shows the number of positions, vacancies, incumbents whose term had expired, nominations, individual nominees, positions to which nominations were made, confirmations, nominations returned to the President, nominations withdrawn, and recess appointments.

A list of organization abbreviations can be found in **Appendix B**.

Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board¹⁰

The Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board is an independent agency consisting of five members who serve five-year terms (no political balance is required), including a chair. The President appoints the members, including the chair, with the advice and consent of the Senate. When a term expires, the incumbent must leave office.

Table 2. Full-Time Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Kristin M. Kulinowski (Interim Executive Authority)	N/A	08/05/15	08/10/20
Manuel H. Ehrlich	N/A	12/16/14	12/21/19
Richard J. Engler	N/A	12/16/14	02/04/20
Vacant	N/A	—	—
Vacant	N/A	—	—

Source: Table created using data from agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board is not required to be politically balanced. Board terms expire five years from the time of appointment.

⁹ This median is the middle number when the days-to-confirm data for all the confirmed nominations are arranged in numerical order.

¹⁰ 42 U.S.C. §7412(r)(6).

Table 3. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
No appointment action during the 115 th Congress						

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Commodity Futures Trading Commission¹¹

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. At the end of a term, a member may remain in office, unless replaced, until the end of the next session of Congress. The chair is also appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Table 4. Full-Time Commodity Futures Trading Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
J. Christopher Giancarlo (Chair)	R	06/03/14	04/13/19
Brian D. Quintenz	R	08/03/17	04/13/20
Rostin Behnam	D	08/03/17	06/19/21
Dawn DeBerry Stump	R	08/28/18	04/13/22
Dan M. Berkovitz	D	08/28/18	04/13/23

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Table 5. Commodity Futures Trading Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Brian D. Quintenz	R	Commissioner	Scott O'Malia	01/17/17	Withdrawn	02/28/17
Christopher James Brummer	D	Commissioner	Mark P. Wetjen	01/17/17	Withdrawn	02/28/17
J. Christopher Giancarlo	R	Chairman	Timothy G. Massad	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Brian D. Quintenz	R	Commissioner	Scott O'Malia	05/16/17	08/03/17	79
Dawn DeBerry Stump	R	Commissioner	Timothy G. Massad	06/12/17	8/28/18	442
Rostin Behnam	D	Commissioner	Mark P. Wetjen	07/13/17	08/03/17	21
Dan Michael. Berkovitz	D	Commissioner	Sharon Y. Bowen	04/28/18	8/28/18	122

¹¹ 7 U.S.C. §2(a)(2).

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						149.8

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Consumer Product Safety Commission¹²

The statute establishing the Consumer Product Safety Commission calls for five members who serve seven-year terms. No more than three members may be from the same political party. A member may remain in office for one year at the end of a term, unless replaced. The chair is also appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Table 6. Full-Time Consumer Product Safety Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
<i>Ann Marie Buerkle (Chair)^a</i>	—	—	10/17/18
Elliot F. Kaye	D	06/27/13	10/26/20
Dana Baiocco	R	05/22/18	10/27/24
Peter Feldman	R	07/28/14	10/05/26
Robert S. Adler	D	08/07/09 ^b	10/26/21

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The term of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. She continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.
- b. Adler was initially confirmed to the commission on August 7, 2009. He served from August 18, 2009, to October 27, 2014. He was confirmed again on December 02, 2014.

Table 7. Consumer Product Safety Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Ann Marie Buerkle	R	Chairwoman	Elliot F. Kaye	07/27/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Ann Marie Buerkle	R	Commissioner	Reappointment	07/27/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Dana Baiocco	R	Commissioner	Marietta S. Robinson	09/28/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Dana Baiocco	R	Commissioner	Marietta S. Robinson	01/08/18	05/22/18	134
Ann Marie Buerkle	R	Chairwoman	Elliot F. Kaye	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Ann Marie Buerkle	R	Commissioner	Reappointment	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	

¹² 15 U.S.C. §2053.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Peter A Feldman	R	Commissioner	Joseph P. Mohorovic	06/04/18	09/25/18	113
Peter A. Feldman	R	Commissioner	Reappointment	06/07/18	09/26/18	111
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						119.3

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board¹³

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. After a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President designates the chair and vice chair.

Table 8. Full-Time Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
<i>Joseph Bruce Hamilton (Chair)</i> ^a	R	08/05/15	10/18/16
<i>Jessie H. Roberson</i> ^a (Vice Chair)	D	10/29/99 ^b	10/18/13
Joyce L. Connery	D	08/05/15	10/18/19
<i>Daniel J. Santos</i> ^a	D	12/16/14	10/18/17
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The terms of incumbents shown in italics had expired. They continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.
- b. Roberson was initially confirmed to the board on October 29, 1999. She served from January 18, 2000, to July 18, 2001. She was confirmed again on March 19, 2010.

Table 9. Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Appointment Action
During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Jessie H. Roberson	D	Member	Reappointment	10/05/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Lisa Vickers	R	Member	Joseph B. Hamilton	10/05/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Joseph Bruce Hamilton	R	Member	Kenneth L. Mossman	10/05/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	

¹³ 42 U.S.C. §2286.

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Election Assistance Commission¹⁴

The Election Assistance Commission consists of four members (no more than two may be from the same political party) who serve four-year terms. After a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The chair and vice chair, from different political parties and designated by the commission, change each year.

Table 10. Full-Time Election Assistance Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
<i>Thomas Hicks^a (Chair)</i>	D	12/16/14	12/12/17
<i>Christy A. McCormick^a (Vice-Chair)</i>	R	12/16/14	12/12/15
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The terms of incumbents shown in italics had expired. They continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 11. Election Assistance Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Donald L. Palmer	R	Member	Matthew Vincent Masterson	7/18/18	1/2/19	168
Benjamin Hovland	R	Member	Rosemary E. Rodriguez	10/5/18	1/2/19	89
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						128.5

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission¹⁵

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. An incumbent whose term has expired may continue to serve until a successor is appointed, except that no such member may

¹⁴ 52 U.S.C. §20923.

¹⁵ 42 U.S.C. §2000e-4.

continue to serve (1) for more than 60 days when Congress is in session, unless a successor has been nominated; or (2) after the adjournment of the session of the Senate in which the successor’s nomination was submitted. The President designates the chair and the vice chair. The President also appoints the general counsel, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Table 12. Full-Time Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Commissioners			
Victoria A. Lipnic (Acting Chair)	R	12/22/10	07/01/20
Charlotte A. Burrows	D	12/03/14	07/01/19
<i>Chai Rachel Feldblum^a</i>	D	12/22/10	07/01/18
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—
General Counsel			
Vacant	N/A	—	4 years from appointment

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statutory provision establishing the position of general counsel does not include qualifications related to political party affiliation.

- a. The term of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. She continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 13. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Janet Dhillon	R	Member	Jenny R. Yang	06/29/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	
Daniel M. Gade	R	Member	Constance Smith Barker	08/02/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	
Chai Rachel Feldblum	D	Member	Reappointment	12/11/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	
Sharon Fast Gustafson	N/A	General Counsel	P. David Lopez	03/20/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statutory provision establishing the position of general counsel does not include qualifications related to political party affiliation.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Export-Import Bank Board of Directors¹⁶

The Export-Import Bank Board of Directors comprises the bank president, who serves as chair; the bank first vice president, who serves as vice chair; and three other members (no more than three of these five may be from the same political party). All five members are appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, and serve for terms of up to four years. An incumbent whose term has expired may continue to serve until a successor is qualified, or until six months after the term expires—whichever occurs earlier. The President also appoints an inspector general, with the advice and consent of the Senate.¹⁷

Table 14. Full-Time Export-Import Bank Board of Directors Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Board of Directors			
Vacant (President/Chair)	—	—	—
Vacant (Vice President/Vice Chair)	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—
Inspector General			
Vacant	N/A	—	Indefinite

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statute establishing the position of inspector general provides that appointment shall be made without regard to political party affiliation.

Table 15. Table. Export-Import Bank Board of Directors Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Claudia Slacik	D	Member	Patricia M. Loui	01/05/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Spencer Bachus III	R	Member	Larry W. Walther	06/19/17	Withdrawn 10/03/17	
Scott Garrett	R	President	Fred P. Hochberg	06/19/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Mark L. Greenblatt	N/A	Inspector General	Osvaldo Luis Gratacos Munet	09/05/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	
Kimberly A. Reed	R	Vice President	Wanda Felton	10/03/17	Withdrawn 06/20/18	
Judith Delzoppo Pryor	R	Member	Larry W. Walther	10/03/17	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Spencer Bachus III	R	Member	Reappointment	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	
Spencer Bachus III	R	Member	Patricia M. Loui	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	

¹⁶ 12 U.S.C. §635a.

¹⁷ 5 U.S.C. App., Inspector General Act of 1978, §3.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Claudia Slacik	D	Member	Sean Robert Mulvaney	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	
Claudia Slacik	D	Member	Reappointment	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^a	
Kimberly A. Reed	R	President	Fred P. Hochberg	06/20/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statute establishing the position of inspector general provides that appointment shall be made without regard to political party affiliation.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Farm Credit Administration¹⁸

The Farm Credit Administration consists of three members (no more than two may be from the same political party) who serve six-year terms. A member may not succeed himself or herself unless he or she was first appointed to complete an unexpired term of three years or less. A member whose term expires may continue to serve until a successor takes office. One member is designated by the President to serve as chair for the duration of the member’s term.

Table 16. Full-Time Farm Credit Administration Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Dallas P. Tonsager (Chair)	D	03/09/15	05/21/20
<i>Jeffery S. Hall^a</i>	R	03/09/15	10/13/18
Glen R. Smith	R	12/05/17	05/21/22

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The term of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. He continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 17. Farm Credit Administration Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Glen R. Smith	R	Member	Kenneth Albert Spearman	09/14/17	12/05/17	82

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

¹⁸ 12 U.S.C. §2242.

Federal Communications Commission¹⁹

The Federal Communications Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until the end of the next session of Congress, unless a successor is appointed before that time. The President designates the chair.

Table 18. Full-Time Federal Communications Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Ajit Varadaraj Pai	R	05/07/12	07/01/21
Jessica Rosenworcel ^a	D	05/07/12	07/01/20
Brendan Carr	R	08/03/17	07/01/23
Michael P. O’Rielly	R	10/29/13	06/30/19
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Rosenworcel was initially confirmed to the commission on 05/07/2012 for a five-year term. She was again confirmed on 08/03/2017 for a five-year term from 07/01/2015.

Table 19. Federal Communications Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Jessica Rosenworcel	D	Member	Reappointment	01/04/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Ajit Varadaraj Pai	R	Member	Reappointment	03/07/17	10/02/17	209
Jessica Rosenworcel	D	Member	Reappointment	06/15/17	08/03/17	49
Brendan Carr	R	Member	Thomas Edgar Wheeler	06/29/17	08/03/17	35
Brendan Carr	R	Member	Reappointment	06/29/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Brendan Carr	R	Member	Reappointment	01/08/18	01/02/19	359
Geoffrey Adam Starks	D	Member	Mignon L. Clyburn	06/04/18	01/02/19	212
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						172.8

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

¹⁹ 47 U.S.C. §154.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Board of Directors²⁰

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Board of Directors consists of five members, of whom two—the comptroller of the currency and the director of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau—are ex officio. The three appointed members serve six-year terms. An appointed member may continue to serve after the expiration of a term until a successor is appointed. Not more than three members of the board may be from the same political party. The President appoints the chair and the vice chair, with the advice and consent of the Senate, from among the appointed members. The chair is appointed for a term of five years. The President also appoints the inspector general, with the advice and consent of the Senate.²¹

Table 20. Full-Time Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Board of Directors Incumbents

(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Board of Directors			
Jelena McWilliams (Chair)	R	05/24/18	06/05/24
Vacant (Vice Chair)	—	—	—
<i>Martin J. Gruenberg^a</i>	D	07/29/05	12/27/18
Inspector General			
Jay Neal Lerner	N/A	12/10/16	Indefinite

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statute establishing the position of inspector general provides that appointment shall be made without regard to political party affiliation.

- a. The term of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. He continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 21. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Board of Directors Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
James Clinger	R	Chairman	Martin J. Gruenberg	06/19/17	Withdrawn	07/19/17
James Clinger	R	Member	Jeremiah O’Hear Norton	06/19/17	Withdrawn	07/19/17
Jelena McWilliams	R	Chairwoman	Martin J. Gruenberg	12/01/17	Returned	01/03/18 ^a

²⁰ 12 U.S.C. §1812.

²¹ 5 U.S.C. App., Inspector General Act of 1978, §3.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Jelena McWilliams	R	Member	Jeremiah O'Hear Norton	12/01/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Jelena McWilliams	R	Chairwoman	Martin J. Gruenberg	01/08/18	05/24/18	136
Jelena McWilliams	R	Member	Thomas J. Hoenig	01/22/18	05/24/18	122
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						129.0

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Federal Election Commission²²

The Federal Election Commission consists of six members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who may serve for a single term of six years. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The chair and vice chair, from different political parties and elected by the commission, change each year. Generally, the vice chair succeeds the chair.

Table 22. Full-Time Federal Election Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
<i>Caroline C. Hunter^a (Chair)</i>	R	06/24/08	04/30/13
<i>Ellen L. Weintraub^a (Vice Chair)</i>	D	03/18/03	04/30/07
<i>Steven T. Walther^a</i>	I	06/24/08	04/30/09
<i>Matthew S. Petersen^a</i>	R	06/24/08	04/30/11
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The terms of incumbents shown in italics had expired. They continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

²² 52 U.S.C. §30106.

Table 23. Federal Election Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
James E. Trainer, III	R	Member	Matthew Petersen	09/14/17	Returned	01/03/18 ^a
James E. Trainer, III	R	Member	Matthew Petersen	01/08/18	Returned	01/03/19 ^a

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission²³

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, an independent agency within the Department of Energy, consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office, except that such commissioner may not serve beyond the end of the session of the Congress in which his or her term expires. The President designates the chair.

Table 24. Full-Time Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Neil Chatterjee (Chair)	R	08/03/17	06/30/21
Cheryl A. LaFleur	D	06/22/10	06/30/19
Richard Glick	D	11/02/17	06/30/22
Kevin McIntyre	R	11/02/17	06/30/23
Bernard L. McNamee	R	12/06/18	06/30/20

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Table 25. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Robert F. Powelson	R	Member	Philip D. Moeller	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Neil Chatterjee	R	Member	Anthony T. Clark	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Kevin J. McIntyre	R	Member	Norman C. Bay	08/02/17	11/02/17	92
Kevin J. McIntyre	R	Member	Reappointment	08/02/17	11/02/17	92

²³ 42 U.S.C. §7171.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Richard Glick	D	Member	Colette Dodson Honorable	08/02/17	11/02/17	92
Bernard L. McNamee	R	Member	Robert F. Powelson	10/05/18	12/06/18	62
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						84.7

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Federal Labor Relations Authority²⁴

The Federal Labor Relations Authority consists of three members (no more than two may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. After the date on which a five-year term expires, a member may continue to serve until the end of the next Congress, unless a successor is appointed before that time. The President designates the chair. The President also appoints the general counsel, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Table 26. Full-Time Federal Labor Relations Authority Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Members			
Colleen Duffy Kiko (Chair)	R	11/16/17	07/29/22
James T. Abbott	R	11/16/17	07/01/20
Ernest W. DuBester	D	11/16/17	07/01/19
General Counsel			
Vacant	N/A		5 years from appointment

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statutory provision establishing the position of general counsel does not include qualifications related to political party affiliation.

Table 27. Federal Labor Relations Authority Appointment Action
During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Colleen Duffy Kiko	R	Member	Ernest W. Dubester	09/05/17	11/16/17	72
James Thomas Abbott	D	Member	Patrick Pizzella	09/05/17	11/16/17	72

²⁴ 5 U.S.C. §7104.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Ernest W. Dubester	D	Member	Carol Waller Pope	10/03/17	11/16/17	44
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						62.7

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Federal Maritime Commission²⁵

The Federal Maritime Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President designates the chair.

Table 28. Full-Time Federal Maritime Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Mario Cordero (Chair)	D	04/14/11	06/30/19
Rebecca F. Dye	R	11/14/02	06/30/20
Daniel B. Maffei	D	06/29/16	06/30/22
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Table 29. Federal Maritime Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Louis E. Sola	R	Commissioner	William P. Doyle	11/15/18	01/02/19	48
Daniel B. Maffei	D	Commissioner	Reappointment	11/15/18	01/02/19	48
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						48.0

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

²⁵ 46 U.S.C. §301.

Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission²⁶

The Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission consists of five members (no political balance is required) who serve six-year terms. When a term expires, the member must leave office. The President designates the chair.

Table 30. Full-Time Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission Membership
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Michael G. Young (Acting Chairman)	N/A	07/31/03 ^a	08/30/20
Mary L. Jordan	N/A	04/14/94 ^b	08/30/20
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission is not required to be politically balanced.

- a. Young was initially confirmed to the board on July 31, 2003. He served from July 2003 to August 2014. From September 2014 to April 2015 he served as counsel to the commission. Young was again confirmed to the commission on March 27, 2015.
- b. Jordan was initially confirmed to the board on April 14, 1994. She served from April 1994 to August 2014. From September 2014 to April 2015 she served as counsel to the commission. Jordan was again confirmed to the commission on March 27, 2015.

Table 31. Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Marco M. Rajkovich, Jr.	N/A	Member	Patrick K. Nakamura	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Arthur R. Traynor, III	N/A	Member	Robert F. Cohen, Jr.	11/13/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
William I. Althen	N/A	Member	Reappointment	11/13/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission is not required to be politically balanced.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

²⁶ 30 U.S.C. §823.

Federal Reserve System Board of Governors²⁷

The Federal Reserve System Board of Governors consists of seven members (no political balance is required) who serve 14-year terms. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President appoints the chair and vice chair, who are separately appointed as members, for four-year terms, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Table 32. Full-Time Federal Reserve System Board of Governors Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Jerome H. Powell (Chair)	N/A	05/17/12 ^a	01/31/28
Richard H. Clarida (Vice Chairman)	N/A	08/28/18	02/01/22
Randal K. Quarles (Vice Chairman for Supervision)	N/A	07/07/18	02/01/32
Michelle W. Bowman	N/A	11/15/18	02/01/20
Lael Brainard	N/A	06/12/14	01/31/26
Vacant	—	—	01/31/18
Vacant	—	—	01/31/30

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Federal Reserve System Board of Governors is not required to be politically balanced.

- a. Powell was initially confirmed to the board on May 17, 2012. Powell was again confirmed to the board on June 12, 2014, for a term of 14 years from February 1, 2014.

Table 33. Federal Reserve System Board of Governors Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Randal Quarles	N/A	Member	Reappointment	01/08/18	07/17/18	190
Randal Quarles	N/A	Vice Chairman	New Position	07/11/17	10/05/17	86
Randal Quarles	N/A	Member	Reappointment	07/11/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Randal Quarles	N/A	Member	Jeremy C. Stein	07/11/17	10/05/17	86
Jerome H. Powell	N/A	Chairman	Janet L. Yellen	11/02/17	Returned 01/03/18	
Marvin Goodfriend	N/A	Member	Sarah Bloom Raskin	11/29/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Jerome H. Powell	N/A	Chairman	Janet L. Yellen	01/08/18	01/23/18	15
Marvin Goodfriend	N/A	Member	Sarah Bloom Raskin	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Richard Clarida	N/A	Member	Daniel K. Tarullo	04/24/18	08/28/18	126

²⁷ 12 U.S.C. §§241-242.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Richard Clarida	N/A	Vice Chairman	Stanley Fischer	04/24/18	11/15/18	205
Michelle Bowman	N/A	Member	Stanley Fischer	04/24/18	11/15/18	205
Jean Nellie Liang	N/A	Member	Janet L. Yellen	09/28/18	Returned 01/03/2019 ^a	
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						130.4

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Federal Reserve System Board of Governors is not required to be politically balanced.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Federal Trade Commission²⁸

The Federal Trade Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve seven-year terms. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President designates the chair.

Table 34. Full-Time Federal Trade Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Joseph J. Simons (Chair)	R	04/26/18	09/26/24
Noah Joshua Phillips	R	04/26/18	09/26/23
Rohit Chopra	D	04/26/18	09/26/19
Rebecca Kelly Slaughter	D	04/26/18	09/26/22
Christine S. Wilson	R	04/26/18	09/26/25

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Table 35. Federal Trade Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Christine S. Wilson	R	Commissioner	Reappointment	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Christine S. Wilson	R	Commissioner	Maureen K. Ohlhausen	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Joseph J. Simons	R	Commissioner	Terrell McSweeney	01/25/18	04/26/18	91

²⁸ 15 U.S.C. §41.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Noah Joshua Phillips	R	Commissioner	Julie Simone Brill	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Rohit Chopra	D	Commissioner	Joshua D. Wright	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Rebecca Kelly Slaughter	D	Commissioner	Edith Ramirez	04/09/18	04/26/18	17
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						78.7

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Financial Stability Oversight Council²⁹

The Financial Stability Oversight Council consists of 10 voting members and 5 nonvoting members, and is chaired by the Secretary of the Treasury. Of the 10 voting members, 9 serve ex officio, by virtue of their positions as leaders of other agencies. The remaining voting member is appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate and serves full time for a term of six years. Of the five nonvoting members, two serve ex officio. The remaining three nonvoting members are designated through a process determined by the constituencies they represent, and they serve for terms of two years. The council is not required to have a balance of political party representation.

Table 36. Full-Time Financial Stability Oversight Council Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Thomas E. Workman	N/A	03/21/18	03/29/24

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Financial Stability Oversight Council is not required to be politically balanced.

Table 37. Financial Stability Oversight Council Appointment Action
During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Thomas E. Workman	N/A	Commissioner	S. Roy Woodall, Jr.	12/01/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^a	
Thomas E. Workman	N/A	Commissioner	S. Roy Woodall, Jr.	01/08/18	03/21/18	72

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Financial Stability Oversight Council is not required to be politically balanced.

²⁹ 12 U.S.C. §5321.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Foreign Claims Settlement Commission³⁰

The Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, located in the Department of Justice, consists of three members (political balance is not required) who serve three-year terms. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. Only the chair, who is appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, serves full time.

Table 38. Full-Time Foreign Claims Settlement Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Vacant (Chair)	—	—	09/30/21

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Table 39. Foreign Claims Settlement Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
No appointment action during the 115th Congress						

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Merit Systems Protection Board³¹

The Merit Systems Protection Board consists of three members (no more than two may be from the same political party) who serve seven-year terms. A member who has been appointed to a full seven-year term may not be reappointed to any following term. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve for one year, unless a successor is appointed before that time. The President appoints the chair, with the advice and consent of the Senate, and designates the vice chair.

Table 40. Full-Time Merit Systems Protection Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Vacant (Chair)	—	—	03/01/23
Mark A. Robbins (Vice Chair) ^a	R	04/26/12	03/01/18
Vacant	—	—	03/01/21

³⁰ 22 U.S.C. §§1622, 1622c.

³¹ 5 U.S.C. §§1201-1203.

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The term of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. He continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 41. Merit Systems Protection Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Dennis D. Kirk	R	Member	Susan T. Grundmann	03/12/18	Returned	01/03/19 ^a
Dennis D. Kirk	R	Chair	Susan T. Grundmann	03/12/18	Returned	01/03/19 ^a
Andrew F. Maunz	R	Member	Mark A. Robbins	03/12/18	Returned	01/03/19 ^a
Julia A. Clark	D	Member	Anne M. Wagner	06/20/18	Returned	01/03/19 ^a

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

National Credit Union Administration Board of Directors³²

The National Credit Union Administration Board of Directors consists of three members (no more than two members may be from the same political party) who serve six-year terms. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President designates the chair.

Table 42. Full-Time National Credit Union Administration Board of Directors Incumbents

(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
J. Mark McWatters (Chair)	R	06/19/14	08/02/19
<i>Richard T. Metsger^a</i>	D	08/01/13	08/02/17
Vacant	—	—	04/10/21

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The term of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. He continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

³² 12 U.S.C. §1752a.

Table 43. National Credit Union Administration Board of Directors Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Rodney Hood	R	Member	Richard T. Metsger	06/20/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

National Labor Relations Board³³

The National Labor Relations Board consists of five members who serve five-year terms. Political balance is not required, but, by tradition, no more than three members are from the same political party. When a term expires, the member must leave office. The President designates the chair. The President also appoints the general counsel, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Table 44. Full-Time National Labor Relations Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Board			
John F. Ring (Chair)	R	04/11/18	12/16/22
Lauren M. McFerran	D	12/08/14	12/16/19
Marvin E. Kaplan	R	08/02/17	08/27/20
William J. Emanuel	R	09/25/17	08/27/21
Vacant	—	—	—
General Counsel			
Peter B. Robb	N/A	11/08/17	11/17/21

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statutory provision establishing the position of general counsel does not include qualifications related to political party affiliation.

Table 45. National Labor Relations Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Marvin Kaplan	R	Member	Harry I. Johnson, III	06/20/17	08/02/17	43
William J. Emanuel	R	Member	Kent Y. Hirozawa	06/29/17	09/25/17	88
Peter B. Robb	N/A	General Counsel	Richard F. Griffin, Jr.	09/25/17	11/08/17	44

³³ 29 U.S.C. §153.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
John F. Ring	R	Member	Phillip A. Miscimarra	01/18/18	04/11/18	83
Mark G. Pearce	D	Member	Reappointment	08/28/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						64.5

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statutory provision establishing the position of general counsel does not include qualifications related to political party affiliation.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

National Mediation Board³⁴

The National Mediation Board consists of three members (no more than two may be from the same political party) who serve three-year terms. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The board annually designates a chair.

Table 46. Full-Time National Mediation Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Kyle Fortson (Chair)	R	11/02/17	07/01/19
<i>Linda A. Puchala^a</i>	D	05/21/09	07/01/18
Gerald W. Fauth	R	11/02/17	07/01/20

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The term of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. He continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 47. National Mediation Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Kyle Fortson	R	Member	Nicholas C. Geale	06/26/17	11/02/17	129
Gerald W. Fauth	R	Member	Harry R. Hoglander	06/29/17	11/02/17	126
Linda A. Puchala	D	Member	Reappointment	09/28/17	11/02/17	35
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						96.7

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

³⁴ 45 U.S.C. §154.

National Transportation Safety Board³⁵

The National Transportation Safety Board consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President appoints the chair from among the members for a two-year term, with the advice and consent of the Senate, and designates the vice chair.

Table 48. Full-Time National Transportation Safety Board Incumbents

(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Robert L. Sumwalt III (Chair)	R	08/03/06	12/31/21 ^a
Bruce Landsberg (Vice Chair)	R	07/24/18	12/31/22
<i>Earl F. Weener^b</i>	R	06/22/10	12/31/15
Jennifer Homendy	D	07/24/18	12/31/19
Vacant	—	—	12/31/23

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes:

- Sumwalt’s term as a member expires on December 31, 2021. His term as chair expires on August 10, 2019, two years from the date of his appointment to that post.
- The terms of the incumbent shown in italics had expired. He continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 49. National Transportation Safety Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Robert L. Sumwalt III	R	Member	Reappointment	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Robert L. Sumwalt III	R	Chair	Christopher A. Hart	06/29/17	08/03/17	35
Bruce Landsberg	R	Member	Christopher A. Hart	09/28/17	07/24/18	299
Jennifer L. Homendy	D	Member	Mark R. Rosekind	04/12/18	07/24/18	103
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						130.5

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

³⁵ 49 U.S.C. §1111.

Nuclear Regulatory Commission³⁶

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, the member must leave office. The President designates the chair. The President also appoints the inspector general, with the advice and consent of the Senate.³⁷

Table 50. Full-Time Nuclear Regulatory Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Commissioners			
Kristine L. Svinicki (Chair)	R	03/13/08	06/30/22
Stephen G. Burns	D	09/16/14	06/30/19
Jeffery M. Baran	D	09/16/14	06/30/23
David A. Wright	R	05/24/18	06/30/20
Annie Caputo	R	05/24/18	06/30/21
Inspector General			
Hubert T. Bell	N/A	06/11/96	Indefinite

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. The statute establishing the position of inspector general provides that appointment shall be made without regard to political party affiliation.

Table 51. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Annie Caputo	R	Member	William C. Ostendorff	06/06/17	05/24/18	352
Kristine L. Svinicki	R	Member	Reappointment	06/06/17	06/26/17	20
David A. Wright	R	Member	Jeffery M. Baran ^a	06/06/17	05/24/18	352
Jeffery M. Baran	D	Member	Reappointment	09/05/17	05/24/18	261
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						246.3

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. During the 113th Congress, Jeffery Baran was confirmed to two different seats on the commission at different times. He was initially confirmed for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2015, but due to the resignation of another member, Baran was nominated and confirmed to the departing individual's seat, which had a later term expiration of June 30, 2018. Baran was reappointed to this seat during the 115th Congress, and David Wright was appointed to replace the initial seat held by Baran.

³⁶ 42 U.S.C. §5841.

³⁷ 5 U.S.C. App., Inspector General Act of 1978, §3.

Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission³⁸

The Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission consists of three members (political balance is not required) who serve six-year terms. When a term expires, the member must leave office. The President designates the chair.

Table 52. Full-Time Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission Incumbents

(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Heather L. MacDougall (Chair)	N/A	03/12/14	04/27/23
Cynthia L. Attwood	N/A	02/11/10	04/27/19
James J. Sullivan, Jr.	N/A	08/03/17	04/27/21

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission is not required to be politically balanced.

Table 53. Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
James J. Sullivan, Jr.	N/A	Member	Thomasina Rogers	05/16/17	08/03/17	79
Heather L. MacDougall	N/A	Member	Reappointment	05/25/17	08/03/17	70
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						74.5

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission is not required to be politically balanced.

Postal Regulatory Commission³⁹

The Postal Regulatory Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve six-year terms. After a term expires, a member may continue to serve until his or her successor takes office, but the member may not continue to serve for more than one year after the date upon which his or her term otherwise would expire. The President designates the chair, and the members select the vice chair.

³⁸ 29 U.S.C. §661.

³⁹ 39 U.S.C. §502.

Table 54. Full-Time Postal Regulatory Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Robert G. Taub (Chair)	R	09/26/11	10/14/22
<i>Nanci E. Langley (Vice Chair)^a</i>	D	06/04/08	11/22/18
<i>Tony Hammond^a</i>	R	11/12/02	10/14/18
Mark D. Acton	R	08/03/06	10/14/22
Michael Kubayanda	D	01/02/19	11/22/20

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The terms of incumbents shown in italics had expired. They continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 55. Postal Regulatory Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Michael Kubayanda	D	Commissioner	Ruth Y. Goldway	06/11/18	01/02/19	205

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board⁴⁰

The Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve six-year terms. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. Only the chair, who is appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, serves full time.

The Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, P.L. 110-53, Title VIII, Section 801 (121 Stat. 352), established the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board. Previously, the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board functioned as part of the White House Office in the Executive Office of the President. That board ceased functioning on January 30, 2008.

Table 56. Full-Time Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Adam I. Klein (Chair)	R	10/11/18	01/29/24

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

⁴⁰ 42 U.S.C. §2000ee.

Table 57. Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Adam I. Klein	R	Chair	David Medine	09/05/17	Returned	01/03/19 ^a
Adam I. Klein	R	Chair	Reappointment	09/05/17	10/11/18	401

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Railroad Retirement Board⁴¹

The Railroad Retirement Board consists of three members (political balance is not required) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President appoints the chair and an inspector general with the advice and consent of the Senate.⁴²

Table 58. Full-Time Railroad Retirement Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Board			
Erhard R. Chorle (Chair; Member-at-Large)	N/A	01/02/19	08/28/22
Johnathan Bragg (Labor Member)	N/A	01/02/19	08/28/24
Thomas R. Jayne (Management Member)	N/A	01/02/19	08/28/23
Inspector General			
Martin J. Dickman	N/A	10/08/94	Indefinite

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Railroad Retirement Board is not required to be politically balanced. The statute establishing the position of inspector general provides that appointment shall be made without regard to political party affiliation.

Table 59. Railroad Retirement Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Erhard R. Chorle	N/A	Member	Michael Schwartz	07/31/18	01/02/19	155
Johnathan Bragg	N/A	Member	Walter A. Barrows	12/13/18	01/02/19	20
Johnathan Bragg	N/A	Member	Reappointment	12/13/18	01/02/19	20

⁴¹ 45 U.S.C. §231f.

⁴² 5 U.S.C. App., Inspector General Act of 1978, §§3, 12.

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Thomas R. Jayne	N/A	Member	Steven J. Anthony	12/13/18	01/02/19	20
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						53.8

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the Railroad Retirement Board is not required to be politically balanced.

Securities and Exchange Commission⁴³

The Securities and Exchange Commission consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve until the end of the next session of Congress, unless a successor is appointed before that time. The President designates the chair.

Table 60. Full-Time Securities and Exchange Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Jay Clayton (Chair)	I	05/02/17	06/05/21
<i>Kara M. Stein^a</i>	D	08/01/13	06/05/17
Robert J. Jackson, Jr.	D	12/21/17	06/05/19
Hester M. Peirce	R	12/21/17	06/05/20
Elad L. Roisman	R	09/05/18	06/05/23

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The incumbent shown in italics term had expired. She continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 61. Securities and Exchange Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Jay Clayton	I	Member	Daniel M. Gallagher, Jr.	01/20/17	05/02/17	102
Hester M. Peirce	R	Member	Luis Aguilar	07/19/17	12/21/17	155
Robert J. Jackson, Jr.	D	Member	Mary Jo White	09/05/17	12/21/17	107
Elad L. Roisman	R	Member	Michael S. Piwowar	06/04/18	09/05/18	93
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						114.3

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

⁴³ 15 U.S.C. §78d.

Surface Transportation Board⁴⁴

The Surface Transportation Board, located within the Department of Transportation, consists of five members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve five-year terms. When a term expires, the member may continue to serve until a successor takes office but for not more than one year after expiration. The President designates the chair.

Table 62. Full-Time Surface Transportation Board Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent ^a	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Ann D. Begeman (Chair)	R	04/14/11	12/31/20
<i>Debra L. Miller (Vice Chair)^b</i>	D	04/09/14	12/31/17
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- Board members Patrick Fuchs and Martin J. Oberman were both confirmed during the 115th Congress but were not sworn in until the beginning of the 116th Congress.
- The term of the incumbents shown in italics had expired. She continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 63. Surface Transportation Board Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Patrick Fuchs	R	Member	New position	03/06/18	01/02/19	302
Michelle A. Schultz	R	Member	New position	03/06/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Martin J. Oberman	D	Member	Daniel R. Elliott III	07/17/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Martin J. Oberman	D	Member	Reappointment	07/17/18	01/02/19	169
Mean number of days to confirm a nomination						235.5

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

United States International Trade Commission⁴⁵

The United States International Trade Commission consists of six members (no more than three may be from the same political party) who serve nine-year terms. A member of the commission

⁴⁴ 49 U.S.C. §1301.

⁴⁵ 19 U.S.C. §1330.

who has served for more than five years is ineligible for reappointment. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. The President designates the chair and vice chair for two-year terms of office, but they may not belong to the same political party. The President may not designate a chair with less than one year of continuous service as a member. This restriction does not apply to the vice chair.

Table 64. Full-Time United States International Trade Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
<i>David S. Johanson (Chair)^a</i>	R	10/31/11	12/16/18
<i>Irving A. Williamson^a</i>	D	02/01/07	06/16/14
<i>Meredith Broadbent^a</i>	R	08/02/12	06/16/17
Rhonda K. Schmidlein	D	03/06/14	12/16/21
Jason E. Kearns	D	03/01/18	12/16/24
Vacant	—	—	06/16/20

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. The terms of incumbents shown in italics had expired. They continued to serve under the holdover provision noted above.

Table 65. United States International Trade Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Jason E. Kearns	D	Member	Dean A. Pinkert	01/17/17	Withdrawn	02/28/17
Jason E. Kearns	D	Member	Dean A. Pinkert	06/29/17	03/01/18	245
Dennis M. Devaney	D	Member	Irving A. Williamson	10/02/17	Returned	01/04/19 ^a
Randolph J. Stayin	R	Member	Meredith M. Broadbent	10/02/17	Returned	01/04/19 ^a
Amy Karpel	R	Member	F. Scott Kieff	02/27/18	Returned	01/03/19 ^a

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

United States Parole Commission

The United States Parole Commission is an independent agency in the Department of Justice. The commission consists of five commissioners (political balance is not required) who serve for six-year terms. When a term expires, a member may continue to serve until a successor takes office. In most cases, a commissioner may serve no more than 12 years. The President designates the chair (18 U.S.C. §4202). The commission was previously scheduled to be phased out, but Congress has extended its life several times. Under P.L. 113-47, Section 2 (127 Stat. 572), it was extended until November 1, 2018 (18 U.S.C. §3551 note).

Table 66. Full-Time United States Parole Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Vacant	—	—	—
<i>Patricia K. Cushwa^a</i> (Vice Chair)	N/A	11/21/04	12/11/10
<i>Charles T. Massarone^a</i>	N/A	05/24/12	08/16/18
Vacant	—	—	—
Vacant	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the United States Parole Commission is not required to be politically balanced.

- a. The terms of incumbents shown in italics had expired. They continued to serve under the holdover provision above.

Table 67. United States Parole Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Virgil Madden	N/A	Commissioner	Patricia K. Cushwa	09/28/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	
Monica D. Morris	N/A	Commissioner	J. Patricia Wilson Smoot	09/28/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^a	

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Notes: The abbreviation N/A means not applicable. As noted above, the membership of the United States Parole Commission is not required to be politically balanced.

- a. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

United States Sentencing Commission⁴⁶

The United States Sentencing Commission is a judicial branch agency that consists of seven voting members, who are appointed to six-year terms, and one nonvoting member. The seven voting members are appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, and only the chair and three vice chairs serve full time. The President appoints the chair, with the advice and consent of the Senate, and designates the vice chairs. At least three members must be federal judges. No more than four members may be of the same political party. No more than two vice chairs may be of the same political party. No voting member may serve more than two full terms. When a term expires, an incumbent may continue to serve until he or she is reappointed, a successor takes office, or Congress adjourns sine die at the end of the session that commences after the expiration of the term, whichever is earliest. The Attorney General (or designee) serves

⁴⁶ 28 U.S.C. §§991-992.

ex officio as a nonvoting member. The chair of the United State Parole Commission also is an ex officio nonvoting member of the commission.⁴⁷

Table 68. Full-Time United States Sentencing Commission Incumbents
(as of the end of the 115th Congress)

Incumbent	Party	Date First Confirmed	Term Expires
Vacant (Chair)	—	—	—
Vacant (Vice Chair)	—	—	—
Vacant (Vice Chair)	—	—	—
Vacant (Vice Chair)	—	—	—

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

Table 69. United States Sentencing Commission Appointment Action During the 115th Congress

Nominee	Party	Position	To Replace	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Charles R. Breyer	a	Member	Reappointment	01/17/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Danny C. Reeves	a	Member	Ricardo H. Hinojosa	01/17/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Danny C. Reeves	a	Member	Ricardo H. Hinojosa	03/01/17	03/21/17	20
Charles R. Breyer	a	Member	Reappointment	03/01/17	03/21/17	20
Henry E. Hudson	a	Member	Dabney L. Friedrich	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
William G. Otis	a	Member	Patti B. Saris	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
William H. Pryor Jr.	a	Member	Reappointment	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
William H. Pryor Jr.	a	Member (Chair)	Patti B. Saris	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Luis F. Restrepo	a	Member	Ketanji B. Jackson	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	

Source: Table created using data on agency websites and the Senate nominations database at <https://www.congress.gov/>.

- a. Party balance is statutorily required, as discussed above, but the commission staff does not release this information.
- b. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

⁴⁷ 18 U.S.C. §3551 note.

Appendix A. Summary of All Nominations and Appointments to Collegial Boards and Commissions

Table A-I. Nominations and Appointments to Full-Time Positions on Regulatory and Other Collegial Boards and Commissions, 115th Congress

Nominee	Board/ Commission ^a	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
James Thomas Abbott	FLRA	09/05/17	11/16/17	72
William I. Althen	FMSHRC	11/13/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Spencer Bachus III	EXIM	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Spencer Bachus III	EXIM	06/19/17	Withdrawn 10/03/17	
Spencer Bachus III	EXIM	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Dana Baiocco	CPSC	09/28/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Dana Baiocco	CPSC	01/08/18	05/22/18	134
Jeffery M. Baran	NRC	09/05/17	05/24/18	261
Rostin Behnam	CFTC	07/13/17	08/03/17	21
Dan M. Berkovitz	CFTC	04/28/18	08/28/18	122
Michelle Bowman	FRSBOG	04/24/18	11/15/18	205
Jonathan Bragg	RRB	12/13/18	01/02/19	20
Jonathan Bragg	RRB	12/13/18	01/02/19	20
Charles R. Breyer	USSC	01/17/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Charles R. Breyer	USSC	03/01/17	03/21/17	20
Christopher James Brummer	CFTC	01/17/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Ann Marie Buerkle	CPSC	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Ann Marie Buerkle	CPSC	07/27/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Ann Marie Buerkle	CPSC	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Ann Marie Buerkle	CPSC	07/27/27	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Annie Caputo	NRC	06/06/17	05/24/18	352
Brendan Carr	FCC	06/29/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Brendan Carr	FCC	06/29/17	08/03/17	35
Brendan Carr	FCC	01/08/18	01/02/19	359
Neil Chatterjee	FERC	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Rohit Chopra	FTC	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Erhard R. Chorle	RRB	07/31/18	01/02/19	155
Richard Clarida	FRSBOG	04/24/18	08/28/18	126
Richard Clarida	FRSBOG	04/24/18	11/15/18	205

Nominee	Board/ Commission^a	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Julia A. Clark	MSPB	06/20/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Jay Clayton	SEC	01/20/17	05/02/17	102
James Clinger	FDIC	06/19/17	Withdrawn 07/19/17	
James Clinger	FDIC	06/19/17	Withdrawn 07/19/17	
Dennis M. Devaney	USITC	10/02/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Janet Dhillon	EEOC	06/29/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Ernest W. Dubester	FLRA	10/03/17	11/16/17	44
William J. Emanuel	NLRB	06/29/17	09/25/17	88
Gerald W. Fauth	NMB	06/29/17	11/02/17	126
Chai Rachel Feldblum	EEOC	12/11/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Peter A Feldman	CPSC	06/04/18	09/25/18	113
Peter A. Feldman	CPSC	06/07/18	09/26/18	111
Kyle Fortson	NMB	06/26/17	11/02/17	129
Patrick Fuchs	STB	03/06/18	01/02/19	302
Daniel M. Gade	EEOC	08/02/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Scott Garrett	EXIM	06/19/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
J. Christopher Giancarlo	CFTC	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Richard Glick	FERC	08/02/17	11/02/17	92
Marvin Goodfriend	FRSBOG	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Marvin Goodfriend	FRSBOG	11/29/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Mark L. Greenblatt	EXIM	09/05/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Sharon Fast Gustafson	EEOC	03/20/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Joseph Bruce Hamilton	DNFSB	10/05/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Jennifer L. Homendy	NTSB	04/12/18	07/24/18	103
Rodney Hood	NCUAB	06/20/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Benjamin Hovland	EAC	10/05/18	01/02/19	89
Henry E. Hudson	USSC	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Robert J. Jackson, Jr.	SEC	09/05/17	12/21/17	107
Thomas R. Jayne	RRB	12/13/18	01/02/19	20
Marvin Kaplan	NLRB	06/20/17	08/02/17	43
Amy Karpel	USITC	02/27/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Jason E. Kearns	USITC	01/17/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Jason E. Kearns	USITC	06/29/17	03/01/18	245
Colleen Duffy Kiko	FLRA	09/05/17	11/16/17	72
Dennis D. Kirk	MSPB	03/12/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	

Nominee	Board/ Commission^a	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Dennis D. Kirk	MSPB	03/12/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Adam I. Klein	PCLOB	09/05/17	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Adam I. Klein	PCLOB	09/05/17	10/11/18	401
Michael Kubayanda	PRC	06/11/18	01/02/19	205
Bruce Landsberg	NTSB	09/28/17	07/24/18	299
Jean Nellie Liang	FRSBOG	09/28/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Heather L. MacDougall	OSHRC	05/25/17	08/03/17	70
Virgil Madden	USPC	09/28/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Daniel B. Maffei	FMC	11/15/18	01/02/19	48
Andrew F. Maunz	MSPB	03/12/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Kevin J. McIntyre	FERC	08/02/17	11/02/17	92
Kevin J. McIntyre	FERC	08/02/17	11/02/17	92
Bernard L. McNamee	FERC	10/05/18	12/06/18	62
Jelena McWilliams	FDIC	01/22/18	05/24/18	122
Jelena McWilliams	FDIC	01/08/18	05/24/18	136
Jelena McWilliams	FDIC	01/08/18	Withdrawn 01/22/18	
Jelena McWilliams	FDIC	12/01/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Jelena McWilliams	FDIC	12/01/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Monica D. Morris	USPC	09/28/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Martin J. Oberman	STB	07/17/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Martin J. Oberman	STB	07/17/18	01/02/19	169
William G. Otis	USSC	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Ajit Varadaraj Pai	FCC	03/07/17	10/02/17	209
Donald L. Palmer	EAC	07/18/18	01/02/19	168
Mark G. Pearce	NLRB	08/28/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Hester M. Peirce	SEC	07/19/17	12/21/17	155
Noah Joshua Phillips	FTC	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Jerome H. Powell	FRSBOG	01/08/18	01/23/18	15
Jerome H. Powell	FRSBOG	11/02/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Robert F. Powelson	FERC	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Judith Delzoppo Pryor	EXIM	10/03/17	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
William H. Pryor Jr.	USSC	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
William H. Pryor Jr.	USSC	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Linda A. Puchala	NMB	09/28/17	11/02/17	35
Randal Quarles	FRSBOG	01/08/18	07/17/18	190
Randal Quarles	FRSBOG	07/11/17	10/05/17	86

Nominee	Board/ Commission^a	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Randal Quarles	FRSBOG	07/11/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Randal Quarles	FRSBOG	07/11/17	10/05/17	86
Brian D. Quintenz	CFTC	05/16/17	08/03/17	79
Brian D. Quintenz	CFTC	01/17/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Marco M. Rajkovich, Jr.	FMSHRC	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Kimberly A. Reed	EXIM	06/20/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Kimberly A. Reed	EXIM	10/03/17	Withdrawn 06/20/18	
Danny C. Reeves	USSC	01/17/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Danny C. Reeves	USSC	03/01/17	03/21/17	20
Luis F. Restrepo	USSC	03/01/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
John F. Ring	NLRB	01/18/18	04/11/18	83
Peter B. Robb	NLRB	09/25/17	11/08/17	44
Jessie H. Roberson	DNFSB	10/05/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Elad L. Roisman	SEC	06/04/18	09/05/18	93
Jessica Rosenworcel	FCC	01/04/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Jessica Rosenworcel	FCC	06/15/17	08/03/17	49
Michelle A. Schultz	STB	03/06/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Joseph Simons	FTC	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Claudia Slacik	EXIM	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Claudia Slacik	EXIM	01/05/17	Withdrawn 02/28/17	
Claudia Slacik	EXIM	10/03/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Rebecca Kelly Slaughter	FTC	04/09/18	04/26/18	17
Glenn R. Smith	FCA	09/14/17	12/05/17	82
Louis E. Sola	FMC	11/15/18	01/02/19	48
Geoffrey Adam Starks	FCC	06/04/18	01/02/19	212
Randolph J. Stayin	USITC	10/02/17	Returned 01/04/19 ^b	
Dawn DeBerry Stump	CFTC	06/12/17	08/28/18	442
James J. Sullivan, Jr.	OSHRC	05/16/17	08/03/17	79
Robert L. Sumwalt III	NTSB	05/10/17	08/03/17	85
Robert L. Sumwalt III	NTSB	06/29/17	08/03/17	35
Kristine L. Svinicki	NRC	06/06/17	06/26/17	20
James E. Trainer, III	FEC	01/08/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
James E. Trainer, III	FEC	09/14/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Arthur R. Traynor, III	FMSHRC	11/13/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	
Lisa Vickers	DNFSB	10/05/18	Returned 01/03/19 ^b	

Nominee	Board/ Commission^a	Date Nominated	Date Confirmed	Days to Confirm
Christine S. Wilson	FTC	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Christine S. Wilson	FTC	01/25/18	04/26/18	91
Thomas E. Workman	FSOC	12/01/17	Returned 01/03/18 ^b	
Thomas E. Workman	FSOC	01/08/18	03/21/18	72
David A. Wright	NRC	06/06/17	05/24/18	352
Mean number of days to confirm				121.0
Median number of days to confirm				91.0

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- a. The key to the agency acronyms appears in **Appendix B**.
- b. Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Table A-2. Appointment Action, Regulatory and Other Collegial Boards and Commissions, 115th Congress

Board/ Commission ^a	Total Member, IG, & GC Positions ^b	Vacant Positions ^c	Incumbent Serving; Term Expired	Nominations Submitted	Individual Nominees	Positions to Which Nominations Were Made ^d	Nominations Confirmed	Nominations Returned	Nominations Withdrawn	Recess Appointments
CSB	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CFTC	5	0	0	7	6	6	5	0	2	0
CPSC	5	0	1	8	3	4	3	5	0	0
DNFSB	5	3	3	3	3	3	0	3	0	0
EAC	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0
EEOC	6	3	1	4	4	4	0	4	0	0
EXIM	6	6	0	11	6	7	0	8	3	0
FCA	3	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
FCC	5	1	0	7	4	4	5	1	1	0
FDIC	4	1	1	7	2	4	2	2	3	0
FEC	6	2	4	2	1	2	0	2	0	0
FERC	5	0	0	6	5	5	6	0	0	0
FLRA	4	1	0	3	3	3	3	0	0	0
FMC	5	2	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0
FMSHRC	5	3	0	3	3	3	0	3	0	0
FRS	7	0	0	12	6	8	7	5	0	0
FTC	5	0	0	6	5	5	6	0	0	0
FSOC	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	0
FCSC	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MSPB	3	2	1	4	3	4	0	4	0	0
NCUA	3	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0

Board/ Commission ^a	Total Member, IG, & GC Positions ^b	Vacant Positions ^c	Incumbent Serving; Term Expired	Nominations Submitted	Individual Nominees	Positions to Which Nominations Were Made ^d	Nominations Confirmed	Nominations Returned	Nominations Withdrawn	Recess Appointments
NLRB	6	1	0	5	5	5	4	1	0	0
NMB	3	0	0	3	3	3	3	0	0	0
NTSB	5	1	1	4	3	4	4	0	0	0
NRC	6	0	0	4	4	4	4	0	0	0
OSHRC	3	0	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0
PRC	5	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
PCLOB	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	0
RRB	4	0	0	4	3	3	4	0	0	0
SEC	5	0	1	4	4	4	4	0	0	0
STB	5	3	0	4	3	3	2	2	0	0
USITC	6	1	3	5	4	4	1	3	1	0
USPC	5	3	2	2	2	2	0	2	0	0
USSC	4	4	0	9	6	7	2	5	2	0
Total	151	43	22	140	102	112	75	53	12	0

Source: Table created by CRS using data compiled for this report.

- a. The key to the agency acronyms may be found in **Appendix B**.
- b. This column includes the total number of member, inspector general (IG), and general counsel (GC) positions in each agency that are filled through the advice and consent process. For some agencies, appointment of an individual to be chair (or vice chair) requires two nominations: one to be a member and the other to be chair. This column does not count such a chair or vice chair slot as an additional position because the role is filled by an individual who serves simultaneously as a sitting member.
- c. As of the end of the 115th Congress.
- d. For some agencies, appointment of an individual to be chair requires two separate nominations: one to be a member and the other to be chair. This column counts such instances as two positions to which nominations were made. For those agencies in which members have fixed terms, a single individual may be nominated for successive terms in a single membership seat. This column counts such instances as one position to which a nomination was made.

Appendix B. Board and Commission Abbreviations

Table B-1. Board and Commission Abbreviations

CSB	Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board
CFTC	Commodity Futures Trading Commission
CPSC	Consumer Product Safety Commission
DNFSB	Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
EAC	Election Assistance Commission
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
EXIM	Export-Import Bank
FCA	Farm Credit Administration
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FDIC	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Board of Directors
FEC	Federal Election Commission
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FLRA	Federal Labor Relations Authority
FMC	Federal Maritime Commission
FMSHRC	Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission
FRS	Federal Reserve System, Board of Governors
FTC	Federal Trade Commission
FSOC	Financial Stability Oversight Council
FCSC	Foreign Claims Settlement Commission
MSPB	Merit Systems Protection Board
NCUA	National Credit Union Administration, Board of Directors
NLRB	National Labor Relations Board
NMB	National Mediation Board
NTSB	National Transportation Safety Board
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
OSHRC	Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission
PRC	Postal Regulatory Commission
PCLOB	Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board
RRB	Railroad Retirement Board
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
STB	Surface Transportation Board
USITC	United States International Trade Commission
USPC	United States Parole Commission
USSC	United States Sentencing Commission

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