

Karen Brosius, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2011.

Ioannis N. Miaoulis, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2010.

Christina Orr-Cahall, of Florida, to be a member of the National Museum and Library Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2010.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Kenneth R. Weinstein, of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2012.

Jay Winik, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2012.

Josiah Bunting III, of Rhode Island, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2012.

Wilfred M. McClay, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2012.

Mary Habeck, of Maryland, to be Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2012.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Karl Hess, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for the remainder of the term expiring May 10, 2008.

Thomas N. Taylor, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012.

Richard F. Thompson, of California, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012.

Mark R. Abbott, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012.

John T. Bruer, of Missouri, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012.

Patricia D. Galloway, of Washington, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012.

Jose-Marie Griffiths, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012.

FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

Arthur F. Rosenfeld, of Virginia, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Randall M. Fort, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Intelligence and Research).

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Manfredi Piccolomini, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2012.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Ronald E. Meisburg, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of four years.

Peter Schaumber, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2010.

FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

Arthur F. Rosenfeld, of Virginia, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Drue Pearce, of Alaska, to be Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects for the term prescribed by law.

INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Karen Brosius, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the national Museum and Library Services Board for the remainder of the term expiring December 6, 2006.

THE JUDICIARY

Frances Marie Tydingco-Gatewood, of Guam, to be Judge for the District Court of Guam for the term of ten years.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Troy A. Eid, of Colorado, to be United States Attorney for the District of Colorado for the term of four years.

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

FOREIGN SERVICE

PN1713 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (223) beginning James C. Charlifue, and ending Barbara Matthews, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 16, 2006.

PN1785 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (130) beginning M. Suzanne Archuleta, and ending John D. Lavelle Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

PN1786 NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION nominations (4) beginning Wade J. Blake, and ending Christopher S. Moore, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Margo M. McKay, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Nancy Montanez-Johner, of Nebraska, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

Nancy Montanez-Johner, of Nebraska, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Michael V. Dunn, of Iowa, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring June 19, 2011.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Bruce I. Knight, of South Dakota, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

Bruce I. Knight, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

Charles R. Christopherson, Jr., of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Camilla Persson Benbow, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012.

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

James H. Bilbray, of Nevada, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for the remainder of the term expiring December 8, 2006.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Mr. FRIST. As in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that all nominations received by the Senate during the 109th Congress remain in status quo, notwithstanding the August 4, 2006, adjournment of the Senate and the provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, with the following exceptions: Calendar Nos. 37, 169, 553, 614, 624, 572, 881, 882; in committees, PNs 719, 1315, 193, 1297, 778.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, a number of the nominations we just went through were sent back. For clarification, they were sent back based on objections from the minority. So it is clear, they are not coming from me as the reason they are being sent back.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment under the provisions of H. Con. Res. 467 until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 5. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then resume consideration of H.R. 5631, the Defense appropriations bill. I further ask that at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to Executive Calendar No. 819, Kimberly Ann Moore, as under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, we have had a very full day today addressing the Family Prosperity Act, the Pension Protection Act, and the Department of Defense appropriations bill. We will complete the Department of Defense appropriations funding bill in September. Senators STEVENS and INOUE have worked very hard in getting us this far on the bill, and we have a commitment from the Democratic leader to finish this bill by Wednesday when we return. Members should be prepared for a busy start of the week and should note that the first vote of the week will be on Tuesday, September 5, at 5:30 for a circuit court nomination.

APPRECIATION TO COLLEAGUES AND STAFF

Mr. FRIST. Today has been a long day. I thank my colleagues for their cooperation. I also wish everyone a safe and restful break. We had a lot of highlights over the course of the day. We had a lot of passion and some emotion on the floor.

I thank all of the people who are here tonight, the clerks, the pages who are here always until very late at night, the security personnel throughout whom we will say goodbye to as we leave the Capitol tonight. When you are here at 12:42 in the morning, having been here all day, you have a little appreciation for what it takes to make the Capitol click, the infrastructure, the people, the dedication. As Senators come and go over the course of the day, there are a lot of people here who dedicate themselves and sacrifice a lot of their own personal lives to make things happen. We appreciate that.

AUTISM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I had a bill I had worked on for about 6 years, the autism bill that was passed tonight. A lot of us made statements earlier in the night, but it is a real pleasure, in part as a physician who is at least sensitive to the real challenges we have in terms of addressing issues such as autism, which has had a rapid increase in incidence over the last two decades.

We have no idea why. It makes you very humble to realize our lack of understanding. But what is exciting is that by pulling together the very best of the public and private sectors, physicians, doctors, families, parents, and communities all gathering together, we can make some real headway in figuring out the etiology of autism and manifestations, about understanding that and improving treatment and ultimately a cure.

I am very proud of this body and especially Senator SANTORUM for his tremendous leadership in that regard.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006, AT 11 A.M.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the provisions of H. Con. Res 467.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 12:43 a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, September 5, 2006, at 11 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate August 3, 2006:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CYNTHIA A. GLASSMAN, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, VICE KATHLEEN B. COOPER, RESIGNED.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION

BRIGADIER GENERAL BRUCE ARLAN BERWICK, UNITED STATES ARMY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION.

COLONEL GREGG F. MARTIN, UNITED STATES ARMY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION. BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERT CREAR, UNITED STATES ARMY, TO BE A MEMBER AND PRESIDENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION.

REAR ADMIRAL SAMUEL P. DE BOW, JR., NOAA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION.

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

WILLIAM H. GRAVES, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 18, 2007. (NEW POSITION)

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

JOHN K. VERONEAU, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A DEPUTY UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, VICE SUSAN C. SCHWAB, RESIGNED.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

GERALD WALPIN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE, VICE J. RUSSELL GEORGE.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

RACHEL K. PAULOSE, OF MINNESOTA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE THOMAS B. HEFFELFINGER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

NELSON M. FORD, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, VICE VALERIE LYNN BALDWIN.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COL. SIMEON G. TROMBITAS, 0000

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

GARY J. CONNOR, 0000
ALAN C. DICKERSON, 0000
KATHLEEN A. MCGOWAN, 0000
EPFREN E. RECTO, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS IN THE GRADES INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be colonel

DENNIS R. HAYSE, 0000
RODNEY PHOENIX, 0000

To be lieutenant colonel

WILLIAM BEYERS, 0000
JAMES H. BURDEN, JR., 0000
AMY L. LITTLEFIELD, 0000
MICHAEL D. SCHAUBER, 0000

To be major

CRAIG R. BARE, 0000
JOSE J. BERNAL, 0000
ARIF A. CHOWDHURY, 0000
MATT J. COWAN, 0000
ANITA C. FOUNTAIN, 0000
YVETTE GUZMAN, 0000
CHRIS HOWELL, 0000
WILLIAM HUNT, 0000
CHAD E. JACKSON, 0000
PHILIP M. KRUEGER, 0000
GEORGE A. LEE, 0000
MARK J. MACYSZYN, 0000
ROBERT P. MANESES, 0000
ANTHONY W. MAYFIELD, 0000
JOSE W. MORALESRODRIGUEZ, 0000
JAMES A. ROSS, 0000
KRISTINA R. SAUNDERS, 0000
DAVID J. SIMMONS, 0000
ROMMELL SINGH, 0000
TROY THOMPSON, 0000
TODD M. TOMLIN, 0000
JOHN W. WOLTZ, 0000

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

To be lieutenant commander

LORI J. CICCI, 0000
JOHN M. POAGE, 0000

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate Thursday, August 3, 2006:

POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

MARK D. ACTON, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A COMMISSIONER OF THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 14, 2010.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

JAMES S. SIMPSON, OF NEW YORK, TO BE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATOR.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

MARK V. ROSENKER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

JOHN H. HILL, OF INDIANA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION.

THE JUDICIARY

JENNIFER M. ANDERSON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

ANNA BLACKBURN-RIGSBY, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

PHYLLIS D. THOMPSON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

MICKEY D. BARNETT, OF NEW MEXICO, TO BE A GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 8, 2013.

KATHERINE C. TOBIN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 8, 2012.

ELLEN C. WILLIAMS, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 8, 2007.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PAUL A. DENETT, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR FOR FEDERAL PROCUREMENT POLICY.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

PATRICK W. DUNNE, OF NEW YORK, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (POLICY AND PLANNING).

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MARK R. DYBUL, OF FLORIDA, TO BE COORDINATOR OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES TO COMBAT HIV/AIDS GLOBALLY, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR.

INTERNATIONAL BANKS

HENRY M. PAULSON, JR., OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES GOVERNOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS; UNITED STATES GOVERNOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS; UNITED STATES GOVERNOR OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS; UNITED STATES GOVERNOR OF THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS; UNITED STATES GOVERNOR OF THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK; UNITED STATES GOVERNOR OF THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND; UNITED STATES GOVERNOR OF THE EUROPEAN BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHRISTINA B. ROCCA, OF VIRGINIA, FOR THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR DURING HER TENURE OF SERVICE AS U. S. REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT.

PHILIP S. GOLDBERG, OF MASSACHUSETTS, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF BOLIVIA.

RICHARD W. GRABER, OF WISCONSIN, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE CZECH REPUBLIC.

KAREN B. STEWART, OF FLORIDA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

BENEDICT S. COHEN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

WILLIAM H. TOBEY, OF CONNECTICUT, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DEFENSE NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION, NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

C. THOMAS YARINGTON, JR., OF WASHINGTON, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 1, 2011.

COLLEEN CONWAY-WELCH, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 1, 2011.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

CHARLES D. NOTTINGHAM, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2010.