

## NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Paul W. Hodes, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2016.

## PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES OVERSIGHT BOARD

James Xavier Dempsey, of California, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2016.

Elisabeth Collins Cook, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2014.

Rachel L. Brand, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2017.

Patricia M. Wald, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2013.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Matthew S. Rutherford, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Meredith M. Broadbent, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for a term expiring June 16, 2017.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Mark J. Mazur, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Danny Chappelle Williams, Sr., of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

## MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION

Major General John Peabody, United States Army, to be a Member and President of the Mississippi River Commission.

## DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

Sean Sullivan, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2015.

## IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named officer for appointment as Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 8033 and 601:

*To be general*

Gen. Mark A. Welsh, III

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Gene Allan Cretz, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Ghana.

Deborah Ruth Malac, of Virginia, 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 Liberia.

Thomas Hart Armbruster, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Ex-

traordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

David Bruce Wharton, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Zimbabwe.

Greta Christine Holtz, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Sultanate of Oman.

Alexander Mark Laskaris, of Maryland, 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 Guinea.

Marcie B. Ries, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career-Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Bulgaria.

John M. Koenig, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Cyprus.

Michael David Kirby, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Serbia.

## NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

Subject to qualifications provided by law, the following for temporary appointment to the grade indicated in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

*To be real admiral (lower half)*

Gerd F. Glang

Subject to qualifications provided by law, the following for temporary appointment to the grade indicated in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

*To be real admiral*

Michael S. Devany

Subject to qualifications provided by law, the following for temporary appointment to the grade indicated in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

*To be rear admiral (lower half)*

David A. Score

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Patricia K. Falcone, of California, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thomas Skerik Sowers II, of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs).

## FOREIGN SERVICE

PN1705 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (47) beginning Narendran Chanmugam, and ending Jana S. Wooden, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 7, 2012.

PN1776 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (23) beginning Thomas J. Brennan, and ending Thomas Pepe, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 20, 2012.

## PRIVILEGED NOMINATIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following nominations under the Privileged section of the Executive Calendar be considered: Presidential Nomination 1513, who is Ingrid A. Gregg, of Michigan, to be on the board of trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation, and Presidential Nomination 1514, James L. Henderson, of Kentucky, to be on the board of trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation; that the nominations be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, there be no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nominations; that any related statements be printed in the RECORD, and that President Obama be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

## HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Ingrid A. Gregg, of Michigan to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2017.

James L. Henderson, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2017.

## NOMINATIONS DISCHARGED

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee be discharged from further consideration of PN 1731, Kimberley Sherri Knowles to be an associate judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nomination; that any related statements be printed in the RECORD, and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

## SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Kimberley Sherri Knowles, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the