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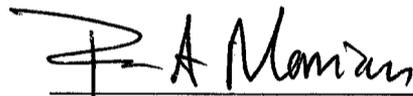
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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

Delegation of Personnel Security and Suitability Program Authority

Pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) by resolution of the Board of Directors number 93-92 (Nov. 17, 1993), by 5 C.F.R. Parts 731 and 732 and Executive Order 10450, and by the Finance Board Personnel Security and Suitability Handbook, I hereby order the following:

William W. Ginsberg, Managing Director, is delegated the authority to carry out the responsibilities set forth in Chapter 1, ¶ V1.A of the Finance Board's Personnel Security and Suitability Handbook. This authority may be further delegated at the discretion of the Managing Director, provided the person to whom this authority is further delegated has completed the necessary background investigation requirements prior to such delegation.



Bruce A. Morrison
Chairman

VI. RESPONSIBILITIES.

A. The Chairman (or designee) establishes and maintains an effective personnel suitability and security program for the competitive and excepted service within the Finance Board, to ensure that the employment of each person will promote the efficiency of the service. The elements of this program include:

1. Designating every position at either a high, moderate, or low risk level, as determined by the position's potential for adverse impact to the efficiency of the service;
2. Complying with preinvestigative review and referral requirements;
3. Requesting required investigations corresponding to position risk levels;
4. Assisting with the implementation of suitability adjudications made by OPM;
5. Adjudicating the suitability of applicants and appointees to BR, MR, and LR level positions;
6. Adjudicating the suitability of competitive service applicants filing outside a civil service register, and of applicants, eligibles, and employees in the excepted service;
7. Complying with the OPM suitability program administration and reporting requirements;
8. Ensuring that appropriate training is provided for designating position sensitivity and adjudicating suitability;
9. Designating positions in terms of their impact on the national security to assure appropriate screening under Executive Order 10450;

10. Requesting required entry investigations and operating a periodic reinvestigation program;
11. Making security determination that demonstrates a reasonable expectation that the employment of each person either conforms or does not conform to the standards set forth in Executive Order 10450 or other related national security interest authorities;
12. As necessary, in-the interest of the efficiency, of the service, take adverse suitability action under 5 CFR 731 on applicants, take adverse suitability action under 5 CFR 315 or 752 for employees, and affording the appointee or employee such rights as may be specified therein;
13. As necessary, in the interests of national security; suspending without pay, or reassigning or detailing temporarily to a nonsensitive position or a position with sensitive duties withheld, and then removing any employee from a sensitive position. The determination of removal should be conclusive and final; and
14. Granting an individual a clearance for access to information and material classified under Executive Order 12356 or predecessor order at the level of Confidential, Secret, or Top Secret, in cases where the official duties of the individual require such access. When access is no longer required, canceling the clearance and documenting the individual's security file accordingly.