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FLRA ANNOUNCES THE CLOSING OF ITS DALLAS REGIONAL OFFICE AND REALIGNMENT OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL JURISDICTIONS OF THE ATLANTA, CHICAGO, AND DENVER REGIONAL DIRECTORS

The Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) announces the closing of the Dallas Regional Office and the realignment of its jurisdiction to the Denver and Atlanta Regional Directors. FLRA is also realigning the jurisdiction for the state of South Dakota, from the Denver Regional Director to the Chicago Regional Director. After considering regional caseloads, operating costs, rental costs, and staffing, the FLRA's three-Member adjudicatory body approved these changes as part of the Agency's reform plan.

Effective September 21, 2018, parties and customers should no longer file unfair labor practice charges, representation petitions, or any other type of case pleadings with the Dallas Regional Office. After September 21, cases arising in New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas, should be filed with, and will be handled by, the Denver Regional Office. Cases arising in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Panama, should be filed with, and will be handled by, the Atlanta Regional Office. Additionally, cases arising in South Dakota should be filed with, and will be handled by, the Chicago Regional Office. All cases pending with the Dallas Regional Office, at the time of its closure, will be transferred to the Denver or Atlanta Regional Offices, as appropriate, for continued processing. Additional information regarding case handling procedures affected by this closure can be found on the FLRA's website www.flra.gov.

The FLRA's Office of the General Counsel is the independent investigative and prosecutorial component of the FLRA. The OGC, through its regional offices, investigates, resolves, and prosecutes ULP charges, resolves representation questions, which include the conduct of secret ballot elections to determine a collective-bargaining representative, and provides training and assistance to parties on establishing productive and cooperative labor-management relations.

The FLRA administers the labor-management relations program for 2.1 million non-Postal federal employees worldwide, approximately 1.2 million of whom are represented in 2,200 bargaining units. It is charged with resolving disputes under, and ensuring compliance with, the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute.

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