

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization No.	Vacate date
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.	Office of the Under Secretary for Science and Technology.	Special Assistant to the Under Secretary for Science and Technology.	DM130110 .....	3/7/2015
	Office of the Chief of Staff .....	Deputy White House Liaison .....	DM140031 .....	3/21/2015
		Special Assistant to the White House Liaison.	DM140085 .....	3/21/2015
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.	Office of the Secretary .....	Deputy White House Liaison .....	DU150006 .....	3/1/2015
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.	Secretary's Immediate Office .....	Deputy Communications Director	DI120048 .....	3/7/2015
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE .....	Office of Justice Programs .....	Senior Advisor to the Assistant Attorney General.	DJ100107 .....	3/7/2015
	Office of Legislative Affairs .....	Senior Advisor .....	DJ140015 .....	3/8/2015
		Attorney Advisor .....	DJ130075 .....	3/21/2015
		Chief of Staff and Attorney Advisor.	DJ130089 .....	3/21/2015
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR .....	Office of the Solicitor .....	Special Counsel .....	DL130036 .....	3/6/2015
	Office of the Secretary .....	Special Advisor .....	DL150012 .....	3/6/2015
		Policy Advisor .....	DL120035 .....	3/27/2015
	Women's Bureau .....	Special Assistant .....	DL100054 .....	3/7/2015
	Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.	Senior Legislative Assistant .....	DL140049 .....	3/20/2015
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.	Office of Field Operations .....	Special Advisor to the Associate Administrator for Field Operations.	SB130009 .....	3/14/2015
DEPARTMENT OF STATE .....	Office of the Secretary .....	Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy ...	DS130116 .....	3/21/2015
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.	Office of the Secretary .....	Director of Scheduling and Advancement.	DT140041 .....	3/7/2015

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Excepted Service

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice identifies Schedule A, B, and C appointing

authorities applicable to a single agency that were established or revoked from April 1, 2015, to April 30, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Senior Executive Resources Services, Senior Executive Services and Performance Management, Employee Services, 202–606–2246.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 CFR 213.103, Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities available for use by all agencies are codified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency are not codified in the CFR, but the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publishes a notice of agency-specific

authorities established or revoked each month in the **Federal Register** at [www.gpo.gov/fdsys/](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/). OPM also publishes an annual notice of the consolidated listing of all Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities, current as of June 30, in the **Federal Register**.

### Schedule A

No Schedule A Authorities to report during April 2015.

### Schedule B

No Schedule B Authorities to report during April 2015.

### Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were approved during April 2015.

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization No.	Effective date
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.	Office of the Secretary .....	Special Advisor .....	DA150118 .....	4/2/2015
		Senior Advisor .....	DA150120 .....	4/2/2015
		Senior Advisor .....	DA150119 .....	4/2/2015
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	Office of the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.			
	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.	Special Assistant .....	DC150086 .....	4/8/2015
	International Trade Administration	Director, Office of Strategic Partnerships, Industry and Analysis.	DC150088 .....	4/16/2015
	Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs.	Director of Legislative Outreach ..	DC150091 .....	4/22/2015
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE .....	Office of the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration.	Chief of Staff for Administration ...	DC150097 .....	4/28/2015
	Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs).	Special Assistant for Community and Public Outreach.	DD150116 .....	4/8/2015
	Office of the Secretary .....	Deputy White House Liaison .....	DD150118 .....	4/13/2015

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization No.	Effective date
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Asian and Pacific Security Affairs).	Special Assistant for Asian and Pacific Security Affairs.	DD150120 .....	4/30/2015
	Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Affairs).	Special Assistant for International Security Affairs.	DD150121 .....	4/30/2015
	Office of Communications and Outreach.	Assistant Press Secretary .....	DB150069 .....	4/2/2015
	Office of the Secretary .....	Special Assistant .....	DB150066 .....	4/17/2015
	Office of Communications and Outreach.	Special Assistant .....	DB150070 .....	4/17/2015
	Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.	Confidential Assistant .....	DB150072 .....	4/17/2015
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY .....		Deputy Assistant Secretary for Higher Education and Student Financial Aid.	DB150073 .....	4/17/2015
		Senior Policy Advisor .....	DB150074 .....	4/20/2015
	Office for Civil Rights .....	Special Assistant .....	DB150064 .....	4/29/2015
	Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy.	Special Advisor .....	DE150065 .....	4/3/2015
	Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.	Director of External Affairs .....	DE150044 .....	4/14/2015
	Assistant Secretary for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.	Senior Advisor and Strategic Projects Manager.	DE150069 .....	4/14/2015
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.	Assistant Secretary for International Affairs.	Special Advisor Office the Assistant Secretary for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.	DE150068 .....	4/14/2015
	Office of Management .....	Special Advisor .....	DE150078 .....	4/15/2015
	Office of Public Affairs .....	Senior Advisor .....	DE150080 .....	4/15/2015
		Special Assistant and Scheduler .....	DE150076 .....	4/30/2015
		Deputy Director, Office of Public Affairs.	DE150077 .....	4/30/2015
	Office of Public Engagement and Environmental Education.	Deputy Director for Public Engagement and Faith Based Initiatives.	EP150016 .....	4/2/2015
EXPORT-IMPORT BANK .....	Office of the Chairman .....	Special Assistant .....	EB150002 .....	4/17/2015
	Office of Small Business Utilization.	Special Assistant .....	GS150027 .....	4/1/2015
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.	Office of Communications and Marketing.	Deputy Associate Administrator for Media Affairs.	GS150031 .....	4/30/2015
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs.	Director of Strategic Planning .....	DH150124 .....	4/16/2015
		Confidential Assistant .....	DH150127 .....	4/17/2015
		Director of Speechwriting .....	DH150128 .....	4/17/2015
	Office of the Secretary .....	Director of Advance .....	DH150113 .....	4/17/2015
	Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs.	Special Assistant .....	DH150125 .....	4/17/2015
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.	Office of Health Reform .....	Director of Delivery System Reform.	DH150129 .....	4/23/2015
	Office of the Under Secretary for National Protection and Programs Directorate.	Advisor .....	DM150068 .....	4/9/2015
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs.	Director, Homeland Security Advisory Council.	DM150129 .....	4/16/2015
	Office of the General Counsel .....	Senior Counsel .....	DU150050 .....	4/30/2015
	Secretary's Immediate Office .....	Special Assistant .....	DI150074 .....	4/1/2015
		Deputy Director of Scheduling and Advance.	DI150048 .....	4/13/2015
	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.	Advisor .....	DI150080 .....	4/2/2015
	Bureau of Land Management .....	Advisor .....	DI150083 .....	4/3/2015
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.	Assistant Secretary—Fish and Wildlife and Parks.	Senior Advisor for Fish, Wildlife and Parks.	DI150023 .....	4/9/2015
	Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs.	Counsel .....	DI150073 .....	4/9/2015
	Bureau of Reclamation .....	Chief, Congressional and Legislative Affairs Office.	DI150085 .....	4/14/2015
	Office of the Solicitor .....	Counselor .....	DI150084 .....	4/15/2015
	Office of Legislative Affairs .....	Chief of Staff and Attorney Advisor.	DJ150072 .....	4/24/2015
	Office of the Secretary .....	Special Assistant .....	DL150046 .....	4/8/2015
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR .....		Director of Scheduling and Advance.	DL150048 .....	4/9/2015
		Special Advisor .....	DL150045 .....	4/17/2015

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.	Employee Benefits Security Administration.	Special Assistant .....	DL150050 .....	4/10/2015
	Office of Public Affairs .....	Chief of Staff .....	DL150049 .....	4/13/2015
	Office of Workers Compensation Programs.	Senior Policy Advisor .....	DL150051 .....	4/17/2015
	Office of the Solicitor .....	Special Counsel .....	DL150052 .....	4/17/2015
	Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.	Associate Director of Intergovernmental Affairs.	DL150055 .....	4/30/2015
	Wage and Hour Division .....	Senior Advisor .....	DL150056 .....	4/30/2015
	Office of the Director .....	Confidential Assistant .....	BO150025 .....	4/8/2015
	Natural Resource Programs .....	Confidential Assistant .....	BO150024 .....	4/13/2015
	Office of Public and Media Affairs	Deputy Press Secretary .....	TN150010 .....	4/9/2015
	Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison.	Director for Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Engagement.	TN150011 .....	4/27/2015
OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE.	Office of the Chairman .....	Confidential Assistant .....	SE150003 .....	4/17/2015
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.				
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.	Office of the Administrator .....	Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance.	SB150027 .....	4/9/2015
DEPARTMENT OF STATE .....	Bureau for Education and Cultural Affairs.	Senior Advisor .....	DS150036 .....	4/8/2015
	Office of the Global Women's Issues.	Staff Assistant .....	DS150064 .....	4/28/2015
	Office of the Under Secretary for Management.	Staff Assistant .....	DS150074 .....	4/28/2015
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.	Immediate Office of the Administrator.	Director of Governmental, International and Public Affairs.	DT150041 .....	4/1/2015
		Director of External Affairs .....	DT150051 .....	4/21/2015
		Senior Advisor .....	DT150055 .....	4/29/2015
	Office of Public Affairs .....	Deputy Director for Public Affairs	DT150042 .....	4/1/2015
		Assistant Press Secretary .....	DT150048 .....	4/9/2015
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy.	Associate Director for Public Engagement.	DT150045 .....	4/9/2015
	Office of the Secretary .....	Special Assistant .....	DT150046 .....	4/9/2015
		Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance.	DT150047 .....	4/9/2015
		White House Liaison .....	DT150054 .....	4/29/2015
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.	Office of the Assistant Secretary (Public Affairs).	Senior Digital Strategy Specialist	DY150088 .....	4/9/2015
	Office of the Secretary of the Treasury.	Associate Director .....	DY150087 .....	4/10/2015
	Office of the Under Secretary for Domestic Finance.	Senior Advisor of Cybersecurity Strategy and Policy.	DY150091 .....	4/30/2015

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were revoked during April 2015.

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization No.	Vacate date
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.	Office of the Secretary .....	White House Liaison .....	DA130077 .....	4/4/2015
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	International Trade Administration	Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary.	DC140147 .....	4/3/2015
	Office of the Chief of Staff .....	Director, National Export Events ..	DC110027 .....	4/6/2015
	Office of White House Liaison .....	Deputy Director .....	DC140129 .....	4/18/2015
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs.	Special Assistant .....	DB140055 .....	4/3/2015
	Office of the General Counsel .....	Special Counsel .....	DB120045 .....	4/18/2015
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.	Office of the Administration .....	Special Assistant for Public Engagement.	EP130038 .....	4/4/2015
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION.	Office of the Chairman .....	Senior Policy Analyst .....	EE100006 .....	4/3/2015
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs.	Digital Communications Coordinator.	DH140058 .....	4/3/2015
		Rollouts Director .....	DH130061 .....	4/18/2015
		Deputy Director of Speechwriting	DH140032 .....	4/20/2015
	Health Resources and Services Administration, Office of the Administrator.	Special Assistant and Policy Advisor.	DH150021 .....	4/13/2015

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	Office of the Secretary .....	Deputy Director for Scheduling and Advance.	DH130071 .....	4/17/2015
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.	Office of Policy Development and Research.	Senior Advisor for Housing Finance.	DU130015 .....	4/4/2015
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.	Secretary's Immediate Office .....	Special Assistant to the Secretary	DI130015 .....	4/18/2015
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE .....	Tax Division .....	Confidential Assistant .....	DJ130046 .....	4/3/2015
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR .....	Employment and Training Administration.	Senior Policy Advisor .....	DL120070 .....	4/2/2015
	Office of Public Affairs .....	Special Assistant .....	DL110048 .....	4/18/2015
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION.	Office of Commissioners .....	Counsel to a Commissioner .....	SH100002 .....	4/27/2015
	Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission.	Confidential Assistant to the Chairman.	SH140001 .....	4/27/2015
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.	Office of Legislative Affairs .....	Confidential Assistant .....	BO150004 .....	4/4/2015
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.	Office of the Chairman .....	Confidential Assistant .....	SE110002 .....	4/4/2015
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.	Office of Field Operations .....	Regional Administrator, Region VIII, Denver, Colorado.	SB130012 .....	4/18/2015
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.	Immediate Office of the Administrator.	Associate Administrator for Governmental, International and Public Affairs.	DT140051 .....	4/4/2015
	Office of the Secretary .....	Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance (2).	DT140016 .....	4/18/2015
			DT140030 .....	4/18/2015

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## OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

### Nanotechnology-Inspired Grand Challenges for the Next Decade

**ACTION:** Notice of request for information.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this Request for Information (RFI) is to seek suggestions for *Nanotechnology-Inspired Grand Challenges for the Next Decade*: Ambitious but achievable goals that harness nanoscience, nanotechnology, and innovation to solve important national or global problems and have the potential to capture the public's imagination. This RFI is intended to gather information from external stakeholders about potential grand challenges that will help guide the science and technology priorities of Federal agencies, catalyze new research activities, foster the commercialization of nanotechnologies, and inspire different sectors to invest in achieving the goals. Input is sought from nanotechnology stakeholders including researchers in academia and industry, non-governmental organizations, scientific and professional societies, and

all other interested members of the public.

**DATES:** Responses must be received by July 16, 2015 to be considered.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit responses by any of the following methods (email is preferred):

- *Email:*

*NNIChallenges@nnco.nano.gov*. Include [*Nanotechnology-Inspired Grand Challenges*] in the subject line of the message. The response may be in the body of or as an attachment to the email.

- *Mail:* Attn: Tarek Fadel, National Nanotechnology Coordination Office, ATTN: NNI Grand Challenges RFI, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Stafford II, Suite 405, Arlington, VA 22230. If submitting a response by mail, please allow sufficient time for mail processing.

*Instructions:* Responses must be unclassified and should not contain any information that might be considered proprietary, confidential, or personally identifying (such as home address or social security number).

*Disclaimer:* Federal agencies may or may not use any responses to this RFI as a basis for a subsequent project, program, or funding opportunity. Responses to this RFI will not be returned. The Office of Science and Technology Policy is under no obligation to acknowledge receipt of the information received, or provide feedback to respondents with respect to any information submitted under this RFI. No requests for a bid package or solicitation will be accepted; no bid package or solicitation exists. In order to protect the integrity of any possible future acquisition, no additional

information will be provided and no appointments for presentations will be made in reference to this RFI. This RFI is issued solely for information and planning purposes and does not constitute a solicitation. Responders to this RFI will have no competitive advantage in receiving any awards related to the submitted input on a potential Nanotechnology-Inspired Grand Challenge.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tarek Fadel, (703) 292–7926, *NNIChallenges@nnco.nano.gov*, National Nanotechnology Coordination Office. Any requests for clarification must be received no later than seven (7) business days prior to the close of this RFI in order to receive a timely response.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background Information

The National Nanotechnology Initiative (NNI), established in 2001, is a U.S. Government research and development initiative of 20 Federal departments, independent agencies, and independent commissions (hereafter referred to as “agencies”) working together toward the common challenging vision of a future in which the ability to understand and control matter at the nanoscale leads to a revolution in technology and industry that benefits society (see *www.nano.gov*). The combined, coordinated efforts of the participating agencies have accelerated the discovery, development, and deployment of nanotechnology to address agency mission goals and broader national