

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
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.	Office of the Secretary	Special Assistant to the White House Liaison.	DM140085	3/21/2015
		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
		Senior Advisor	DJ140015	3/8/2015
		Attorney Advisor	DJ130075	3/21/2015
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	Office of Legislative Affairs	Chief of Staff and Attorney Advisor.	DJ130089	3/21/2015
		Special Counsel	DL130036	3/6/2015
	Office of the Solicitor	Special Advisor	DL150012	3/6/2015
		Policy Advisor	DL120035	3/27/2015
		Special Assistant	DL100054	3/7/2015
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.	Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.	Senior Legislative Assistant	DL140049	3/20/2015
		Office of Field Operations	SB130009	3/14/2015
DEPARTMENT OF STATE	Office of the Secretary	Special Advisor to the Associate Administrator for Field Operations.	DS130116	3/21/2015
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.	Office of the Secretary	Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy ...	DT140041	3/7/2015
		Director of Scheduling and Advance.		

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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/. 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
	Office of the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.	Senior Advisor	DA150120	4/2/2015
		Senior Advisor	DA150119	4/2/2015
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.	Special Assistant	DC150086	4/8/2015
		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
	Office of the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration.	Chief of Staff for Administration ...	DC150097	4/28/2015
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE	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

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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	Advanced Research Projects Agency—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	
	Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.	Special Advisor	DE150065	4/3/2015	
	Assistant Secretary for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.	Director of External Affairs	DE150044	4/14/2015	
		Senior Advisor and Strategic Projects Manager.	DE150069	4/14/2015	
	Assistant Secretary for International Affairs.	Special Advisor Office the Assistant Secretary for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.	DE150068	4/14/2015	
		Special Advisor	DE150078	4/15/2015	
		Senior Advisor	DE150080	4/15/2015	
		Office of Management	Special Assistant and Scheduler	DE150076	4/30/2015
Office of Public Affairs	Deputy Director, Office of Public Affairs.	DE150077	4/30/2015		
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.	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	
		Special Assistant	GS150027	4/1/2015	
GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.	Office of Communications and Marketing.	Deputy Associate Administrator for Media Affairs.	GS150031	4/30/2015	
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.	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	
		Special Assistant	DH150125	4/17/2015	
	Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs.	Director of Delivery System Reform.	DH150129	4/23/2015	
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.	Office of the Under Secretary for National Protection and Programs Directorate.	Advisor	DM150068	4/9/2015	
		Director, Homeland Security Advisory Council.	DM150129	4/16/2015	
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs.	Senior Counsel	DU150050	4/30/2015	
		Secretary's Immediate Office	Special Assistant	DI150074	4/1/2015
	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.	Deputy Director of Scheduling and Advance.	DI150048	4/13/2015	
		Advisor	DI150080	4/2/2015	
	Bureau of Land Management	Advisor	DI150083	4/3/2015	
	Assistant Secretary—Fish and Wildlife and Parks.	Senior Advisor for Fish, Wildlife and Parks.	DI150023	4/9/2015	
		Counsel	DI150073	4/9/2015	
	Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs.	Chief, Congressional and Legislative Affairs Office.	DI150085	4/14/2015	
	Bureau of Reclamation	Counselor	DI150084	4/15/2015	
	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	Office of Legislative Affairs	Chief of Staff and Attorney Advisor.	DJ150072	4/24/2015
			Special Assistant	DL150046	4/8/2015
	DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	Office of the Secretary	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	
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.	Office of the Chairman	Confidential Assistant	SE150003	4/17/2015	
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
			Deputy Director for Public Affairs	DT150042	4/1/2015
		Assistant Press Secretary	DT150048	4/9/2015	
		Associate Director for Public Engagement.	DT150045	4/9/2015	
		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
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	Office of White House Liaison	Deputy Director	DC140129	4/18/2015
	Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs.	Special Assistant	DB140055	4/3/2015
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.	Office of the General Counsel	Special Counsel	DB120045	4/18/2015
	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