

## § 1.17

(f) *Office of the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs.* This Office contains the following functional areas: Congressional Affairs and Intergovernmental Affairs; and includes a Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tribal Government Affairs.

(g) *Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration.* This Office is composed of:

- (1) The Office of Audit Relations,
- (2) The Office of Human Resource Management,
- (3) The Office of Hearings,
- (4) The Office of Security,
- (5) The Office of the Senior Procurement Executive,
- (6) The Office of Financial Management and Transit Benefit Programs, and
- (7) The Office of Facilities, Information and Asset Management.

### § 1.17 OST Line of Secretarial Succession.

(a) The following officials, in the order indicated, shall act as Secretary of Transportation, in case of the absence or disability of the Secretary, until the absence or disability ceases, or in the case of a vacancy, until a successor is appointed. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the President retains discretion, to the extent permitted by the law, to depart from this order in designating an acting Secretary of Transportation.

- (1) Deputy Secretary.
- (2) Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.
- (3) General Counsel.
- (4) Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs and CFO.
- (5) Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy.
- (6) Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs.
- (7) Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.
- (8) Assistant Secretary for Administration.
- (9) Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.
- (10) Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.
- (11) Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.
- (12) Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

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(13) Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration.

(14) Administrator of the Maritime Administration.

(15) Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

(16) Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

(17) Administrator of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration.

(18) Administrator of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

(19) Regional Administrator, Southern Region, Federal Aviation Administration.

(20) Director, Resource Center, Lakewood, Colorado, Federal Highway Administration.

(21) Regional Administrator, Northwest Mountain Region, Federal Aviation Administration.

(b) Without regard to the foregoing, a person directed to perform the duties of the Secretary pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3347 (the Vacancies Act) shall act as Secretary of Transportation.

### OST OFFICIALS

#### § 1.20 Secretary of Transportation.

The Secretary is the head of the Department. The Secretary exercises oversight of all of the OST components, as well as each of the Operating Administrations, and overall planning, direction, and control of the Department's agenda.

#### § 1.21 Reservations of Authority to the Secretary of Transportation.

(a) All powers and duties that are not delegated by the Secretary in 49 CFR Part 1, or otherwise vested in officials other than the Secretary, are reserved to the Secretary. Except as otherwise provided, the Secretary may exercise powers and duties delegated or assigned to officials other than the Secretary.

(b) The delegations of authority in this part do not extend to the following actions, authority for which is reserved to the Secretary or the Secretary's delegatee within the Office of the Secretary: