

BIOGRAPHIES

Rosalyn L. Coates

Rosalyn L. Coates is legislative counsel for the Merit Systems Protection Board, where she is responsible for coordinating the agency's legislative policy and congressional relations functions. Prior to joining MSPB in 2000, Rosalyn was employed with the Library of Congress. She held several positions including EEO counsel, legislative counsel and assistant general counsel. Rosalyn is a graduate of Yale University and the University of Iowa College of Law.

Martin J. Crane

Martin J. Crane has served an attorney in the Board's Office of Appeals Counsel since 2007. Prior to his appointment, he was a partner in the law firm of Sherman, Dunn, Cohen, Leifer & Yellig, P.C., and specialized in representing national and international labor organizations and apprenticeship programs. He has served as a contributing author for such publications as Discipline and Discharge In Arbitration and the Employee and Union Member Guide to Labor Law. He received his J.D. from the George Washington University Law School in 1990 and is a member of the bars of Maryland and District of Columbia.

Sarah E. Diouf

Sarah E. Diouf is a graduate of Duke University's School of Law and completed her undergraduate degree at Washington University in St. Louis. She is admitted to practice in Maryland and before the Fourth Circuit. She has been an Attorney-Advisor in the MSPB's Office of Appeals Counsel since January 2013. Prior to that, she worked as a litigator at a local employment law firm, focusing primarily on federal sector cases.

Edward Hertwig

Ed currently serves as an Attorney Advisor in the MSPB's Office of Appeals Counsel. Prior to joining the MSPB, Ed served as agency counsel for the U.S. Postal Service and represented the agency in EEOC and MSPB proceedings. Ed received his undergraduate degree from Fairfield University and his law degree from The American University, Washington College of Law. After law school, Ed served as a federal law clerk in the Southern District of New York.

Stephen Fung

Steve recently joined the MSPB Office of General Counsel after 7 years in the private sector. After graduating from DePaul University College of Law in 2006, he started in Chicago representing private sector employees in EEOC and federal district court litigation. In 2009, he moved to Washington, D.C., to work for Kalijarvi, Chuzi, Newman & Fitch, where he primarily represented federal sector employees before the EEOC, the MSPB, and in the security clearance process.

Stephen Kostkowski

Steve Kostkowski has worked as an Attorney-Advisor in the MSPB Office of Appeals Counsel since 2007. During that time, he served two 1-year details as Counsel to Chairman Susan Tsui Grundmann. Prior to joining the MSPB, Steve served as Law Clerk to the Honorable Larnzell Martin, Jr. in the Circuit Court for Prince George's County Maryland. Steve received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and a Master of Arts degree in Philosophy from the Catholic University of America. He received his law degree from the Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law.

Deborah M. Miron

Deborah M. Miron has served as Director of Regional Operations and Chief Administrative Judge of the Merit Systems Protection Board since June, 2002. In that capacity, she has legal and administrative oversight of the regional and field offices, supervises all of their employees, and coordinates the Board's Mediation Appeals Program. Ms. Miron is a board member of the Federal Circuit Bar Association. Prior to her current position, she served as Deputy Assistant General Counsel for the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) in the Pentagon, litigated civil bench and jury trials on behalf of the District of Columbia in federal and local courts, and served a variety of other capacities during her legal career. Ms. Miron is a Phi Beta Kappa, magna cum laude graduate of the State University of New York at Buffalo, and its law school, and was a Senior Executive Fellow at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. She has won multiple awards for her work and legal activities.

Ronald J. Weiss

Ronald J. Weiss was appointed an Administrative Judge with the Merit Systems Protection Board in January 1996. Prior to that appointment, Mr. Weiss served as an attorney with the Board's Office of Appeals Counsel in Washington, D.C., and as a litigator with the firm of Altheimer & Gray, in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Weiss received his B.A. from Brown University in 1986, and his J.D. from the University of Virginia in 1990.

Michael Bogdanow

Michael Bogdanow currently serves in the MSPB's Office of Regional Operations as the Senior Legal Liaison between headquarters and the MSPB's eight regional and field offices, and is a certified Mediator in the MSPB's Mediation Appeals Program. He previously served in several positions at the MSPB and its predecessor agency, the U.S. Civil Service Commission, and was detailed as an Attorney, U.S. Claims Court (now the U. S. Court of Federal Claims). A graduate of the George Washington University, Phi Beta Kappa, and its National Law Center, he is Chairman of the Dispute Resolution Committee of the Federal Circuit Bar Association. He has authored several law review articles.