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END OF MAXIMUM TELEWORK AT THE U.S. MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD

The U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB) is ending maximum telework at all locations beginning Monday, October 4, 2021. The end of maximum telework returns more MSPB employees to our physical offices; however, in-office staffing may vary depending on the level of community transmission at each location, in accordance with [MSPB's COVID-19 Workplace Safety Plan](#). We are not yet resuming in-person hearings or receiving visitors in MSPB offices.

As previously announced, MSPB's operating posture impacts some hearing and mediation schedules, and the docketing/processing of new appeals/pleadings submitted by mail, overnight or personal delivery, or fax. For example, response times may vary because the presence of staff in each Regional and Field Office and at MSPB's Headquarters to process mail, deliveries, and faxes and perform other in-office functions varies from day to day. We strongly encourage the use of [e-Appeal Online](#) for both new and pending cases, and by all parties, in order to reduce delays in all appeals.

MSPB will continue to review and adjust our operations with respect to COVID-19 to support the health and safety of our employees and continue our essential functions. If you have any questions, please contact the appropriate MSPB Regional or Field Office or the Office of the Clerk of the Board. Telephone and e-mail addresses are located on the Contact tab of MSPB's website (www.mspb.gov).

For more information on COVID-19 and vaccinations, please visit www.coronavirus.gov, www.cdc.gov/coronavirus, www.usa.gov/coronavirus (Spanish: www.usa.gov/espanol/coronavirus), and Vaccines.gov (Spanish: Vacunas.gov).

The U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB) is an independent, quasi-judicial agency whose mission is to protect the Merit System Principles and promote an effective Federal workforce free of Prohibited Personnel Practices.

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