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**OFHEO ANNOUNCES MYRTLE HABERSHAM AS  
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR NEW MANAGEMENT  
PLANNING OFFICE**

**Washington, DC** – OFHEO Director James B. Lockhart, safety and soundness regulator for mortgage finance companies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, today announced the appointment of Myrtle S. Habersham as Associate Director for OFHEO's new Office of Management Planning.

Ms. Habersham will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating strategic planning, implementation of the President's Management Agenda, facilities management, physical security and all aspects of emergency preparedness and continuity of operations planning (COOP) for OFHEO. She will also serve as OFHEO's first Performance Improvement Officer, a new position required by an Executive Order of the President.

"I am very pleased to have Myrtle's skills, broad experience and energy to help OFHEO fulfill its important mission of ensuring the safety and soundness of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac," said Lockhart. "Having worked closely with her at the Social Security Administration, I know she will bring strong leadership to the new team."

Ms. Habersham's numerous accomplishments after nearly four decades at the Social Security Administration and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) include serving most recently as SSA's Chief Strategic Officer and prior to that, Regional Commissioner for two of SSA's largest regions, Atlanta and Chicago. She also served as the Inspector General for the Atlanta region. Ms. Habersham is a three-time recipient of the Presidential Rank Award as well as numerous SSA and DHHS awards.

Ms. Habersham graduated with Honors from Clark Atlanta University.

She also is a graduate of the Federal Law Enforcement Academy in Georgia.

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