Biography



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As Acting General Counsel, Laurie S. Schaffer is the chief legal officer of the U.S. Department of the Treasury. She provides legal and policy counseling and advice to the Treasury Secretary and other senior Treasury officials on a wide range of issues, relating to domestic finance, international economic affairs, tax policy, terrorism finance, and financial crimes enforcement. She is also the head of the Treasury Legal

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Prior to joining the Treasury Department, Ms. Schaffer served as the Deputy General Counsel in the Legal Division of the Federal Reserve Board. In that role, she managed the Banking Regulation and Policy Group which has responsibility for the legal work related to supervision and regulation of banking organizations, as well as the review and management of various banking applications. Ms. Schaffer previously served from 2008-2011 in the Treasury Department as the Assistant General Counsel for Banking and Finance. She played a critical role in the Department response to the financial crisis and in the drafting the Administration's regulatory reform legislation and providing legal and policy support during congressional consideration of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Ms. Schaffer is a graduate of Fordham University Law School and the American University, School of International Service.