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The Executive Office for Immigration Review Announces New Administrative Law Judge

FALLS CHURCH, VA – The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) today announced the appointment of Stacy Stiffel Paddack as an administrative law judge (ALJ). ALJs at EOIR hear immigration-related employment cases in the Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer (OCAHO), and do not hear removal cases in the immigration courts.

"We are excited to have Administrative Law Judge Paddack join our team and fill this critical position," said Chief Administrative Hearing Officer Robin M. Stutman. "Her arrival will increase OCAHO's capacity to adjudicate employer sanctions and anti-discrimination cases, thereby expediting the recovery of worksite enforcement fines and remediation of illegal immigration-related employment discrimination."

Biographical information follows.

Stacy Stiffel Paddack, Administrative Law Judge

Stacy Stiffel Paddack was appointed as an administrative law judge (ALJ) for the Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer (OCAHO), Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), in December 2014. Judge Paddack received her bachelor of arts degree in 1989 from the University of Texas at Austin, a master of arts degree in 1994 from the School of International Service at American University, and a juris doctorate in 1997 from American University's Washington College of Law. From 2010 to 2014, Judge Paddack served as an ALJ for the Office of Disability Adjudication and Review, Social Security Administration, in Tallahassee, Fla., where she became the acting chief ALJ. From 2003 to 2010, she served as a senior litigation counsel in the Office of Immigration Litigation, Civil Division, Department of Justice. From 1998 to 2003, Judge Paddack served as an attorney advisor for EOIR's Board of Immigration Appeals and OCAHO, entering on duty through the Attorney General's Honors Program. Prior to 2003, Judge Paddack also served as an adjunct instructor in the Legal Rhetoric Program at American University's Washington College of Law. Judge Paddack is a member of the Maryland State Bar.

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