

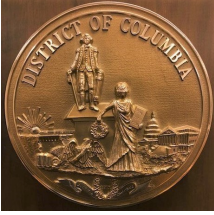
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The Board welcomed its newest member, Mr. Peter Winkler. On February 20, 2020, Mr. Winkler was sworn in to serve a three-year term. The Board also welcomed Mr. Douglas Warshof into his role as Chairperson of the Board. Mr. Warshof previously served as a public member and was sworn in as the chairperson on February 20, 2020.

In March, the Board approved the final rules that became effective on May 1, 2020. Thanks to all who provided comments and helped shape the final version.

PERB Operating Status



As a part of the District's response to COVID-19, also known as the coronavirus, PERB employees are teleworking. During this time, PERB's goal is to ensure that it continues to serve the public and process cases. PERB's website has information about the steps taken to ensure access while the staff works remotely. Notably, PERB is accommodating pro se filers during these unprecedented circumstances by accepting the service of complaints and other filings made by unrepresented individuals through email at perb@dc.gov. Additional information can be found on PERB's website. If anyone has questions or needs information, please use the contact information below.

Virtual Board Meetings



Since the declaration of a public emergency, the Board has continued to meet the challenges of working remotely and providing access to the public. Thus far, the Board has held three virtual meetings. The first virtual meeting replaced the regularly scheduled meeting for March. The second virtual meeting was groundbreaking, as it was the first virtual oral argument before the Board. At that meeting, the parties argued a motion for preliminary relief. Relatedly, the third and most recent virtual meeting was convened to vote on the issue of preliminary relief. The next Board meeting will be May 21, 2020. PERB will provide the meeting details on its website.

In Memoriam: Sheryl Harrington



For the labor relations community served by PERB, Sheryl was a consistent, warm, and welcoming presence. Sheryl began with the Board in 1997. With approximately 20 years of service in the District of Columbia government, this native Washingtonian served her community graciously. We are grateful for the time we spent with her, and we will miss her.