

US Executive Branch Update – October 28, 2022

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This report provides a snapshot of the U.S. Executive Branch priorities via daily schedules and the prior day's press releases.

POTUS' Schedule*

5:30 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs New Castle, Delaware, en route Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

5:45 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT arrives in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

7:00 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT and The Vice President deliver remarks at a reception for the Pennsylvania Democratic Party | Philadelphia Convention Center

8:40 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, en route New Castle, Delaware

8:55 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT arrives in New Castle, Delaware

VPOTUS' Schedule*

1:50 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will depart Washington, D.C., en route to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

3:50 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will participate in a moderated conversation on protecting reproductive rights with Congresswoman Mary Gay Scanlon (D-PA–05) and Sophia Bush | Bryn Mawr College

7:00 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will deliver remarks at a reception for the Pennsylvania Democratic Party | Pennsylvania Convention Center

9:25 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will depart Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, en route to Washington, D.C.

**The U.S. President (POTUS) and Vice President's (VPOTUS) daily schedules are subject to change, as is the White House press briefing schedule.*

Recap of Wednesday-Thursday, October 26-27, 2022

Note: All colored text denotes hyperlinks.

The White House

Thursday, October 27

- [Statement](#) by President Biden on Third Quarter GDP Report
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden on Micron's Plan to Invest in Chips Manufacturing
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden at a Virtual Fundraiser with Congressman Cartwright
- [Treaty Signed](#): Instrument of Ratification of the Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol
- [Statement](#) by President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. on the Conclusion of the Israel-Lebanon Maritime Boundary Dispute
- [Readout](#) of Principal Deputy National Security Advisor Jon Finer's Meeting with Albanian Foreign Minister Olta Xhacka
- [Transcript](#): Press Gaggle by Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre En Route Syracuse, NY
- [Press Release](#): What They Are Saying | Praise for the Biden-Harris Administration's Plan to Transform America's School Buses
- [Press Release](#): Congressional Republicans' Five-Part Plan to Increase Inflation and Costs for American Families
- [Appointments](#): President Biden Announces Key Appointments to Boards and Commissions
- [Proclamation](#) on National First Responders Day, 2022

Wednesday, October 26

- [Readout](#) of President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.'s Meeting with President Isaac Herzog of Israel
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden and President Herzog of the State of Israel Before Bilateral Meeting
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden in Meeting with Department of Defense Leaders
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden on Protecting American Consumers from Junk Fees
- [Fact Sheet](#): The President's Initiative on Junk Fees and Related Pricing Practices

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- [Remarks](#) by Vice President Harris on Investments in Clean School Buses
 - [Fact Sheet](#): Progress on Biden-Harris Action Plan for Building Better School Infrastructure
 - [Transcript](#): Press Briefing by Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre and National Security Council Coordinator for Strategic Communications John Kirby
 - [Fact Sheet](#): Biden-Harris Administration Expands Public-Private Cybersecurity Partnership to Chemical Sector
 - [Remarks](#) by President Biden at a Virtual Fundraiser with Congresswoman Cindy Axne
 - [Remarks](#) by President Biden at a Virtual Fundraiser with Nevada Congressional Delegation
 - [Remarks](#) by Vice President Harris at a Finance Event with Patty Murray
 - [Remarks](#) by First Lady Jill Biden at Rhode Island College, as Prepared for Delivery
 - [Appointments](#): President Biden Announces Key Appointments to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

Department of Defense (DOD)

October 27

- [Transcript](#): Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III Holds a Press Conference
- [Article](#): Secretary Austin | Talks With Russia Important to Avoid Escalation in Ukraine
- [Press Release](#): Department of Defense Releases its 2022 Strategic Reviews – National Defense Strategy, Nuclear Posture Review, and Missile Defense Review
- [Transcript](#): Senior Defense Officials Hold a Background Briefing on the National Defense Strategy
- [Publication](#): 2022 National Defense Strategy
- [Fact Sheet](#): 2022 Strategic Ways Compilation
- [Fact Sheet](#): 2022 U.S. Nuclear Deterrence Strategy and Policy
- [Fact Sheet](#): 2022 U.S. Nuclear Capabilities
- [Fact Sheet](#): 2022 U.S. Extended Deterrence
- [Fact Sheet](#): 2022 Arms Control and Nuclear Non-Proliferation
- [Fact Sheet](#): 2022 Missile Defense Review

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- [Press Release](#): DOD Announces U.S. Representative to NATO DIANA Board of Directors
 - [Readout](#) of Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for African Affairs Chidi Blyden's Meeting with the Gabonese Prime Minister Rose Christiane Ossouka Raponda and Minister of Defence Félicité Ongouori Ngoubili During the U.S. – Gabon Senior Leader Defense Engagement
 - [Article](#): DOD Releases National Defense Strategy, Missile Defense, Nuclear Posture Reviews
 - [Article](#): DOD Prototyping EV Chargers for Fleet, Personal Vehicles
 - [Contracts](#) for October 27, 2022

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- [Readout](#) of Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III's Call with Canadian Minister of National Defence Anita Anand
- [Article](#): Hurricane Sandy | DLA Brought Relief to Millions Following Historic Storm
- [Article](#): Defense Officials Discuss Strategic Cooperation
- [Contracts](#) for October 26, 2022

Department of State

[Daily Schedule](#) | Friday, October 28, 2022

Europe, Ukraine

- October 27: [Statement](#) | Securing and Safeguarding Arms in Ukraine
- October 26: [Statement](#) | Repatriation of U.S. Citizen Remains from Ukraine
- October 27: [Statement](#) | Joint Statement on the Third Strategic Dialogue between Slovakia and the United States The following is the text of a joint statement by the Governments of the United States of America and Slovakia
- October 26: [Statement](#) | Response to Corruption and Election Interference in Moldova
- October 26: [Statement](#) | Austria's National Day

Western Hemisphere

- October 27: [Fact Sheet](#) | U.S.-Canada Relations – Friends, Partners, Allies

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- October 27: [Readout](#) | Secretary Blinken's Meeting with Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau
 - October 27: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau Before their Meeting
 - October 27: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken and Canadian Foreign Minister Mélanie Joly at a Joint Press Availability
 - October 27: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken and Canadian Foreign Minister Mélanie Joly Before Their Meeting
 - October 27: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken with Canadian Deputy Prime Minister Chrystia Freeland and Canadian Foreign Minister Mélanie Joly
 - October 27: [Interview](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken with Vassy Kapelos of Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) Power and Politics
 - October 27: [Advisory](#) | Special Presidential Envoy for Climate Kerry's Travel to Mexico
 - October 26: [Advisory](#) | Under Secretary Zeya's Travel to the Dominican Republic

Nuclear Energy Partnership

- October 27: [Statement](#) | United States and Japan Announce WECAN — Winning an Edge Through Cooperation in Advanced Nuclear — Partnership to Help Countries Meet Their Energy Security and Climate Goals
- October 26: [Statement](#) | United States and Japan Announce Partnership with Ghana to Support its Goal of Being the Mover in Africa for Small Modular Reactor Deployment

Africa

- October 27: [Statement](#) | Joint Statement of the Co-Chairs of the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS Africa Focus Group
- October 27: [Readout](#) | Secretary Blinken's Meeting with African Union Commission Chairperson Faki
- October 27: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken and African Union Commission Chairperson Moussa Faki Mahamat Before their Meeting

Middle East

- October 27: [Statement](#) | Historic Agreement Establishing a Permanent Israel-Lebanon Maritime Boundary
- October 27: [Statement](#) | Formation of Iraqi Government

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- October 27: [Readout](#) | Secretary Blinken's Call with Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Salem Al Sabah
 - October 26: [Readout](#) | Secretary Blinken's Call with United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan
 - October 26: [Statement](#) | Designation of Iranian Officials and Entities Connected to Ongoing Protest Repression, Censorship, and Prison Abuses

Asia-Pacific

- October 27: [Statement](#) | APEC Senior Officials' and Ministerial Meeting Sites During U.S. Host Year in 2023
- October 27: [Statement](#) | Seattle Announced as the Third APEC Senior Officials' and Ministerial Meetings Site During U.S. Host Year in August 2023
- October 27: [Readout](#) | United States-Bangladesh Labor Working Group Convenes to Further Shared Economic Prosperity
- October 26: [Statement](#) | Jimmy Lai's Fraud Case Verdict
- October 26: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken Remarks at a Diwali Reception

Other Matters

- October 26: [Interview](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken with Peggy Collins of Bloomberg News
- October 26: [Statement](#) | U.S. Government Engagement Principles on Protection from Sexual Exploitation Abuse and Sexual Harassment within International Organizations
- October 26: [Advisory](#) | Special Representative McAuliffe's Travel to Georgia and Indiana to Attend U.S. Global Leadership Coalition Roundtables and Visit Diplomacy Lab Programs at Kennesaw State and Purdue Universities
- October 27: [Statement](#) | International Religious Freedom Day
- October 26: [Statement](#) | On Intersex Awareness Day

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

October 27

- [Press Release](#): USAID Announces Eight-Year Strategy to End Tuberculosis
- [Readout](#): Administrator Samantha Power's Call with UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Development Minister Andrew Mitchell

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- [Statement](#) on Additional Humanitarian Funding for Flood Response in Pakistan
 - [Press Release](#): United States Providing Additional \$30 Million in Response to Flooding in Pakistan, Bringing Support to \$97 Million
 - [Statement](#) Commemorating International Religious Freedom Day

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- [Readout](#): Administrator Samantha Power's Meeting with International Rescue Committee President and CEO David Miliband
- [Press Release](#): Administrator Samantha Power Congratulates USAID's Jeremy Konyndyk on Appointment as President of Refugees International
- [Transcript](#): Administrator Samantha Power's Interview on CNN's Anderson Cooper 360

U.S. Mission to the United Nations (UN)

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- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Thomas-Greenfield at a UN Security Council Meeting on Russia's Unfounded Allegations of Biological Weapons Programs in Ukraine
- [Remarks](#) at the Joint Panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on Possible Challenges to Space Security and Sustainability
- [Remarks](#) at a UN General Assembly Debate on a Report of the International Court of Justice
- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Robert Wood at a UN Security Council Briefing on UNISFA for Abyei (Sudan)
- [Remarks](#) at a Third Committee Interactive Dialogue with the Chair of the Commission of Inquiry on Israel and the OPT
- [Explanation of Vote](#) at a UN Security Council Adoption on Colombia
- [Explanation of Vote](#) at a UN Security Council Adoption on MINURSO Mandate Renewal (Morocco/Western Sahara)

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- [Remarks](#) at a UN Security Council Briefing on Requests for the UN Secretariat to Investigate Violations of UNSCR 2231
- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield at a UN Side Event on the Situation of Uyghur and Other Turkic Muslim Minorities in Xinjiang

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- [Readout](#) of Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield's Meeting with Jewish Community Leaders
 - [Statement](#) at a Third Committee Interactive Dialogue with Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iran
 - [Remarks](#) at a Third Committee Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on Belarus
 - [Remarks](#) at a Third Committee Interactive Dialogue with the Commission of Inquiry on Syria
 - [Remarks](#) at a UN Security Council Briefing on the Great Lakes Region
 - [Advisory](#): Ambassador Chris Lu, U.S. Representative for UN Management and Reform, to Travel to India

Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI)

October 27

- [Press Release](#): NCSC Reveals the Newest Exhibit in its Digital Wall of Spies

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- [Statement](#) by DNI Haines on the Passing of Former Secretary of Defense Ash Carter

Department of the Treasury

October 27

- [Remarks](#) by Secretary Janet Yellen on the Economic Plan in Ohio (GDP Growth)
- [Remarks](#) by Deputy Secretary of the Treasury Wally Adeyemo at Today's Stakeholder Roundtable on Climate Impact, Equity, and the Inflation Reduction Act
- [Readout](#): Stakeholder Roundtable on Climate Impact, Equity, and the Inflation Reduction Act

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- [Readout](#): Stakeholder Roundtable on Clean Power Generation and the Inflation Reduction Act
- [Remarks](#) by Secretary of the Treasury Janet L. Yellen at Today's Stakeholder Roundtable on Clean Power Generation
- [Readout](#): Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee Meeting

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- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces Vermont to Receive Over \$90 Million in American Rescue Plan Funds to Increase Access to Affordable, High-Speed Internet
 - [Sanctions](#): Treasury Targets Corruption and the Kremlin's Malign Influence Operations in Moldova
 - [Sanctions](#): Treasury Sanctions Iranian Officials and Entities Responsible for Ongoing Crackdown on Protests and Internet Censorship
 - [Readout](#): United States and United Kingdom Hold Second Joint Committee Meeting under the Bilateral Agreement on Prudential Measures Regarding Insurance and Reinsurance

Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC)

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- [Press Release](#): SEC Updates List of Firms Using Inaccurate Information to Solicit Investors

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- [Press Release](#): SEC Proposes New Oversight Requirements for Certain Services Outsourced by Investment Advisers
- [Press Release](#): SEC Adopts Amendments to Modernize Fund Shareholder Reports and Promote Transparent Fee- and Expense-Related Information in Fund Advertisements
- [Press Release](#): SEC Adopts Compensation Recovery Listing Standards and Disclosure Rules

Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) | [Daily Press Releases](#)

October 27

- [Press Release](#): Three Defendants Sentenced in Multi-State Racketeering Conspiracy Involving Forced Labor of Mexican Agricultural H-2A Workers
- [Press Release](#): Registered Sex Offender Sentenced for Transporting Child Sexual Abuse Material
- [Press Release](#): Former Investment Manager Sentenced in Multimillion-Dollar Scheme to Defraud Life Insurance Company
- [Press Release](#): Health Care Company Pleads Guilty and is Sentenced for Conspiring to Suppress Wages of School Nurses

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- [Press Release](#): Two Former Directors of Public Works Sentenced for Accepting Bribes
 - [Press Release](#): Two Former Pike County, Ohio, Sheriff's Deputies Indicted for Using Excessive Force
 - [Press Release](#): Dallas Attorney Charged with Promoting Illegal Tax Shelter
 - [Press Release](#): Former Texas State Representative Pleads Guilty to Tax Evasion
 - [Speech](#): Director Rachel Rossi of the Office for Access to Justice Delivers Keynote Remarks During the 2022 National Legal Aid & Defender Association Annual Conference

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- [Press Release](#): Attorney General Garland Announces Revised Justice Department News Media Policy
- [Press Release](#): Justice Department Releases Information on Efforts to Protect the Right to Vote, Prosecute Election Fraud and Secure Elections
- [Press Release](#): Criminal Division Announces First Arrest and Charges by the New England Prescription Opioid Strike Force
- [Press Release](#): Justice Department Awards Over \$90 Million To Combat Human Trafficking And Support Victims
- [Press Release](#): Honeywell to Pay \$3.35 Million for Alleged False Claims for Zylon Bullet Proof Vests

Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

October 27

- [Press Release](#): DHS Announces New Cybersecurity Performance Goals for Critical Infrastructure
- [Press Release](#): CBP Officers Seize Huge Amounts of Undeclared Bologna and Cheese During Separate Early Morning Encounters

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- [Press Release](#): CBP Officers Stop Multiple Hard Narcotic Smuggling Attempts (Texas)
- [Press Release](#): Laredo Sector Border Patrol prevented a human smuggling attempt near Freer (Texas)
- [Press Release](#): CBP Offers Dia De Los Muertos and Halloween Border Crossing Advice

(Texas)

- [Press Release](#): Laredo Sector Border Patrol Zapata Station initiates their Youth of the Month program (Texas)
- [Press Release](#): Two Shipments Containing 4,420 Counterfeit Driver's Licenses Seized by CBP Officers in Louisville (Kentucky)
- [Press Release](#): AMO Agents Interdict Vessel Attempting to Smuggle 40 Bales of Cocaine Near Vieques (Puerto Rico)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- [Link](#) to daily press releases

Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

October 27

- [Joint Statement](#) on the First Meeting between Deputy United States Trade Representative Jayme White and Deputy Minister of Colombia Luis Felipe Quintero
- [Press Release](#): United States Announces Successful Resolution of a Rapid Response Mechanism Petition Regarding a Saint Gobain Facility in Mexico

Department of Commerce/National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

October 27

- [Joint Statement](#): U.S. Department of Commerce and Singapore Ministry of Trade and Industry Celebrate Inaugural U.S.-Singapore Partnership for Growth and Innovation Annual Dialogue
- [NTIA Press Release](#): 07/15/2022 CSMAC Meeting Transcript

U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC)

October 26

- [Press Release](#): Oil Country Tubular Goods from Argentina, Mexico, Russia, and South Korea Injures U.S. Industry, Says USITC

Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

October 27

- [Press Release](#): FTC Approves Final Orders in Right-to-Repair Cases Against Harley-Davidson, MWE Investments, and Weber

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

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- [Press Release](#): FCC Acts to Strengthen the Security of Nation's Alerting Systems
- [Press Release](#): FCC Seeks to Fill Challenging Gap in STIR/SHAKEN Robocall Defenses
- [Press Release](#): FCC to Examine 12.7 GHz Band for Next-Gen Wireless
- [Press Release](#): FCC to Further Strengthen Storm-Hardened Puerto Rico & USVI Networks
- [Press Release](#): FCC Announces Tentative Agenda for November Open Meeting

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- [Press Release](#): FCC Seeks Engineers For Honors Program

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)

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- [Statement](#) of CFPB Director Rohit Chopra, Member, FDIC Board of Directors, at the FDIC Advisory Committee on Economic Inclusion Meeting
- [Press Release](#): CFPB Kicks Off Personal Financial Data Rights Rulemaking

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- [Press Release](#): CFPB Issues Guidance to Help Banks Avoid Charging Illegal Junk Fees on Deposit Accounts

Department of Agriculture (USDA)

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- [Press Release](#): USDA Opens Registration for the 2023 Agricultural Outlook Forum
- [Press Release](#): USDA Announces Early Release of Select Commodity Tables for Agricultural

Projections to 2032

- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Provides \$759 Million to Bring High-Speed Internet Access to Communities Across Rural America
- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Expands Rural Partners Network to North Carolina

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- [Press Release](#): USDA Invests \$14.2 Million in 52 Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Efforts

Department of Energy (DOE)

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- [Press Release](#): DOE Announces \$39 Million for Technology to Grow the Domestic Critical Minerals Supply Chain and Strengthen National Security

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- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$84.5 Million to Make Clean Energy Improvements and Lower Energy Costs for K-12 Schools
- [Readout](#) of Secretary Granholm's First Trip to Puerto Rico to Focus on Solution-based Energy Action Plans

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

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- [Press Release](#): October 2022 Highlights | FERC insight | Volume 9

Department of Interior (DOI)

October 27

- [Press Release](#): Interior Department Welcomes New Biden-Harris Administration Appointees

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- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces New Funding for Maryland, Ohio and

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

- [Press Release](#): EPA Enforcement Actions in 2022 Help Protect Public Health and the Environment from Dangers of Lead Exposure
- [Link](#) to other EPA press releases

Department of Transportation

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- [Press Release](#): Air Travel Consumer Report: August Consumer Complaints Up 6 Percent from July, More Than 320 Percent Above Pre-Pandemic Levels
- [Readout](#) of the First USDOT and Federal Transit Administration Roundtable Discussion on Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Transit Experience

Department of Labor

October 27

- [Press Release](#): Unemployment Insurance Weekly Claims Report
- [Press Release](#): Ohio manufacturer faces \$1.2M in penalties after 7th worker in 5 years suffers severe injuries when caught in machine employer failed to lock out
- [Press Release](#): Federal court orders design firm and CEO to pay \$540K to employee benefit plan after U.S. Labor Department investigation finds overpayment for shares
- [Press Release](#): Court orders Mesa Air Group to change company policy to make sure flight attendants, pilots can exercise rights to family, medical leave
- [Press Release](#): Part-owner of Pittsburgh assisted living provider that denied wages, intimidated workers pays \$1M in back wages, damages after federal investigation, litigation
- [Press Release](#): Federal appeals court finds Pennsylvania poultry processing facility in contempt for failing to pay \$162K in penalties, address safety violations

Department of Education

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- [Press Release](#): Education Department Unveils Final Rules to Protect Veterans and Service

Members, Improve College Access for Incarcerated Individuals and Improve Oversight When Colleges Change Owners

Health & Human Services (HHS)

October 27

- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces More than Half of All States Have Expanded Access to 12 Months of Medicaid and CHIP Postpartum Coverage

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- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Launches Window-Shopping for Affordable and Accessible Health Care Marketplace

Food & Drug Administration (FDA)

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- [Press Release](#): FDA Denies Marketing of Logic's Menthol E-Cigarette Products Following Determination They Do Not Meet Public Health Standard

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