

Dhillon Nominated to Replace Lipnic as EEOC Chair

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On June 28, 2017, the White House announced that President Trump had selected Janet L. Dhillon to be chair of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). Dhillon, who is currently the general counsel of a national retailer, will be nominated to serve a term on the Commission that will expire on July 1, 2022.

Dhillon graduated from Occidental College with a bachelor's degree in 1984 and from UCLA School of Law in 1991. She started her legal career as an attorney at an international law firm. Before her current position, Dhillon served as vice president and general counsel for another national retailer and an airline.

The EEOC's acting chair, Victoria A. Lipnic, was named acting chair of the EEOC shortly after President Trump took office. Lipnic is currently serving a term that will not expire until 2020, and Commissioner Jenny Yang's term expires on July 1, 2017. If the U.S. Senate confirms Dhillon's nomination, the Commission will still have one imminent vacancy to be filled. In addition, the EEOC currently has a vacant general counsel position.

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