



## Press Release

# Key Agencies Lack Formal Leadership

**PAULINA ENCK | APRIL 26, 2022**

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A new AAF infographic shows the myriad states of ad hoc leadership arrangements under which key financial regulatory agencies are operating.

The infographic:

# KEY AGENCIES LACK FORMAL LEADERSHIP

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## KEY



210+ Days: Acting heads of agencies can only remain in place for 210 days before they must step down



NOT Senate-confirmed under President Biden

Filled

Acting

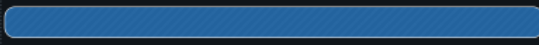
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INAUGURATION  
JAN 20, 2021

TODAY

### FEDERAL RESERVE

CHAIR | JEROME POWELL



▶ Nominated by President Biden Nov 21, 2021

BOARD OF GOVERNORS | N/A



▶ Incomplete board since 2018

VICE CHAIR FOR SUPERVISION | N/A



▶ Empty since Oct 13, 2021

### OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY

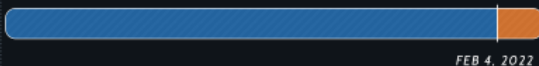
COMPTROLLER | MICHAEL HSU



▶ A presidential nomination stops the 210-day clock. Hsu has not hit the limit due to President Biden's nomination of Saule Omarova.

### FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

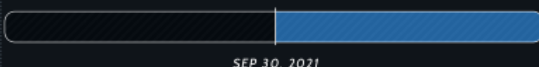
CHAIR | MARTY GRUENBERG



▶ Acting since Feb 4, 2022

### CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

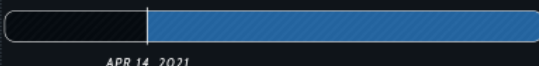
DIRECTOR | ROHIT CHOPRA



▶ Biden-nominated; Senate-confirmed since Sep 30, 2021

### U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

CHAIR | GARY GENSLER



▶ Biden-nominated; Senate-confirmed since Apr 14, 2021

### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

CHAIR | ROSTIN BEHNAM



▶ Biden-nominated; Senate-confirmed since Dec 15, 2021

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