

THE {women} IN OBAMA'S ADMINISTRATION

{Hillary Rodham Clinton} Secretary of State

Hillary Clinton was sworn in as the 67th Secretary of State on January 21, 2009. She is the third woman to be appointed to this position since its inception and the first First Lady to serve on a President's Cabinet. She has been in the public service sector for four decades before her role as Secretary of State. The advocate, attorney, First Lady and Senator has serviced the United States in multiple roles and has been a pioneer for numerous woman's issues.



{Hilda Solis} Secretary of Labor

Hilda Solis was confirmed on February 24, 2009 as the 25th Secretary of Labor. She is the first Latina to hold this position. She has been appointed to this position after being a strong advocate for labor unions and environmental policy reform. She was elected to the United States Congress in 2001 as a representative from California's 32nd District.

{Janet Napolitano} Secretary of Homeland Security

Janet Napolitano was sworn in as the 3rd Secretary of Homeland Security on January 21, 2009, under the Obama Administration. She is the first woman to serve in this position since its inception. Prior to her current role, she served as the Governor of Arizona. Napolitano was the third woman to serve as Governor in the state of Arizona. She was nominated by *Time* as one of the top Governors in 2005. Prior to her governorship she served as the Attorney General of Arizona. Napolitano is a breast cancer survivor, a role model to women.



{Lisa P. Jackson}

Administrator Environmental Protection Agency

Lisa Perez Jackson became the 12th Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. In this role she is the first African American to serve in this capacity and the fourth woman. Prior to her role, she was the former Chief of Staff of New Jersey Governor, John S. Corzine.



{Susan Rice}

United States Ambassador to the U.N.

Susan Rice became the Ambassador to the U.N. on January 23, 2009 after confirmation from the United States Senate. Her appointment came after years of work in foreign policy during the Clinton Administration. Rice is the first African American woman to be nominated for U.S. Ambassador to the U.N.

{Cassandra Butts}

Deputy White House Counsel

Butts was the General Counsel on Obama's Transition Team. She was a former classmate with Obama while at Harvard and is a good family friend with the Obama's. Prior to her current post, Butts was the Vice President of Domestic Policy at the Center of American Progress.





{Christina Romer}
Council of Economic Advisors

Christina Romer became the Chair of the Council of Economic Advisors. She was chosen to the position after extensive research on economic recessions and the Great Depression. She has a history teaching at University of California, Berkley. She is the 3rd woman to hold this position.

{Valerie Jarrett}
Senior Advisor and Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison

Jarrett was Obama's Transition Team Co-Chair. She is the 4th generation of educated professionals in her family and is a Stanford and University of Michigan Graduate. Jarrett was a former corporate attorney as the Chief of Staff in the Daley Administration; she hired an Ivy Leaguer named Michelle Robinson.



{Mona Sutphen}
Deputy White House Chief of Staff



Mona Sutphen is the Deputy White House Chief of Staff. Prior to her role, Sutphen was on the Obama-Biden Presidential Transition Team. She served as the Managing Director of the consulting firm, Stonebridge International LLC. From 1991 to 2001 Sutphen was U.S. Foreign Service Officer, serving in the White House at the National Security Council.

{Elena Kagan}
Solicitor General of the United States

Elena Kagan is the first woman to serve as the Solicitor General of the United States. Prior to her current position, Kagan was the first female President of Harvard Law School. In 1999 Kagan was appointed by President Bill Clinton to serve as United States Appeals Court for the Circuit of the District of Columbia. Kagan has been educated at Princeton, Oxford and Harvard, and said to be one of the brightest scholars in the legal field.



{Melody Barnes}
Director of White House Domestic Policy Council

Melody Barnes is the Director of Domestic Policy Council under the Obama Administration. Prior to her post, Barnes was the co-director of Agency Review on Obama's transition team. She was a successful leader of the Center for American Progress in Washington D.C. for five years.

{Desiree Rogers}
White House Social Secretary

Desiree Rogers currently serves as the White House Social Secretary under the Obama Administration. Rogers is the first African American to serve in this capacity in the White House. Prior to her position, Rogers was a businesswoman in Chicago where she was the President of People's Gas and North Shore Gas





{Alyssa Mastromonaco}

Director of Scheduling and Advance

Alyssa Mastromonaco is the Director of Scheduling and Advance for the Obama Administration. Prior to her White House role, she was key in orchestrating many of then Senator Obama's appearances and travel schedules while on the campaign trail. Mastromonaco was in charge of John Kerry's presidential campaign's schedule in 2004.

{Kathleen Sebelius}

Secretary of Health and Human Services

Kathleen Sebelius was nominated as to be the 9th Secretary of Health and Human Services on March 2, 2009. In her role she will oversee the Health Care services in the United States and help President Obama see to health care for every American. Prior to this role, Sebelius served as the 44th Governor of Kansas and the 2nd woman to serve in that capacity.

Sebelius was named one of the top ten Governors in America in 2006.

