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## AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

### Performance Review Board Appointments

**AGENCY:** American Battle Monuments Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of performance review board appointments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice provides the names of individuals who have been appointed to serve as members of the American Battle Monuments Commission Performance Review Board. The publication of these appointments is required by the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978.

**DATES:** These appointments are effective as of 27 December 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jamilyn Smyser, Chief of Human Resources and Administration, American Battle Monuments Commission, Courthouse Plaza II Suite 500, 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22201. Telephone number: (703) 696-7969.

### American Battle Monument Commission SES Performance Review Board—2019/2020

Kate Kelly, Chief Human Capital Officer, Army Futures Command, United States Army

Dr. Erin Mahan, Chief Historian, Office of the Secretary of Defense

Michael Conley, Chief of Staff, American Battle Monuments Commission

**Jamilyn Smyser,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### U.S. Census Bureau

#### Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Housing Vacancy Survey

**AGENCY:** U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information to be collected is the Housing Vacancy Survey, conducted in conjunction with the Current Population Survey.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before March 9, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Lisa A. Clement, Survey Director, Current Population and American Time Use Surveys, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, ADDP/CPS HQ-7H141, Washington, DC 20233 (or via the internet at [PRAComments@doc.gov](mailto:PRAComments@doc.gov)). You may also submit comments, identified by Docket Number USBC-2019-0012, to the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments received are part of the public record. No comments will be posted to <http://www.regulations.gov> for public viewing until after the comment period has closed. Comments will generally be posted without change. All Personally Identifiable Information (for example, name and address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information. You may submit attachments to electronic comments in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Adobe PDF file formats.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Tim J. Marshall, U.S. Census Bureau, ADDP/CPS HQ-7H143, Washington, DC 20233-8400, (301) 763-

3806 (or via the internet at [dsd.cps@census.gov](mailto:dsd.cps@census.gov)).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request clearance from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the collection of data concerning the Housing Vacancy Survey (HVS) to be conducted in conjunction with the Current Population Survey (CPS). The Census Bureau sponsors the HVS, which collects data from a sample of vacant housing units identified in the monthly CPS sample. The current clearance expires June 30, 2020.

Collection of the HVS in conjunction with the Current Population Survey began in 1956, and serves a broad array of data users. The HVS provides the only quarterly statistics on rental vacancy rates and homeownership rates for the United States, the four census regions, the 50 states and the District of Columbia, and the 75 largest metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs). Private and public sector organizations use these rates extensively to gauge and analyze the housing market with regard to supply, cost, and affordability at various points in time.

Policy analysts, program managers, budget analysts, and congressional staff use these data to advise the executive and legislative branches of government with respect to the number and characteristics of units available for occupancy and the suitability of housing initiatives. These data are a component of consumer expenditure statistics. They also are used to project mortgage demand and to measure the adequacy of the supply of rental and homeowner units. In addition, investment firms use the HVS data to analyze market trends and for economic forecasting.

##### II. Method of Collection

The HVS is collected by both personal visit and telephone interviews in conjunction with the CPS interviewing. The Census Bureau conducts HVS interviews using computer-assisted interviewing with landlords or other knowledgeable people concerning vacant housing units identified in the monthly CPS sample and meeting certain criteria.