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WASHINGTON, DC – Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board (PCLOB) spokesman Alan Silverleib released the following statement:

“The White House terminated Chair Sharon Bradford Franklin, and Members Ed Felten and Travis LeBlanc from their positions as of 5 p.m. last Thursday. The agency, however, has significant ability to continue functioning with its full staff and remaining Member Beth Williams to continue the Board’s important mission, including its advice and oversight functions, and its current projects.

The Board looks forward to moving ahead on additional projects formally following the nomination, confirmation, and appointment of new Members.”

For further information, please contact Public and Legislative Affairs Officer Alan Silverleib at info@pclob.gov or pao@pclob.gov.

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The Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board is an independent agency within the Executive Branch established by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007. The Board’s mission is to ensure that the federal government’s efforts to prevent terrorism are balanced with the need to protect privacy and civil liberties.