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TRAVIS LEBLANC SWORN IN FOR NEW TERM WITH PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES OVERSIGHT BOARD

WASHINGTON, DC – Travis LeBlanc was sworn in on Tuesday for a second term as a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board. Vice President Kamala D. Harris administered the oath of office in a White House ceremony.

"I want to thank President Biden, Vice President Harris, and the Senate for their vote of confidence and for allowing me to continue my work on the Board," said Member LeBlanc, who was confirmed by the Senate on September 14th. "The Board is responsible for examining a range of critical issues right now, including domestic terrorism, cross-border data transfers to Europe, and the coming debate over reauthorization of key portions of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. I look forward to working with my fellow Board members and stakeholders to help ensure the federal government strikes the right balance in protecting privacy and civil liberties as well as national security."

In addition to serving as a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board since 2019, Mr. LeBlanc is a partner and co-leads the cyber/data/privacy practice at Cooley LLP in Washington and San Francisco. Before his initial confirmation to the Board, Mr. LeBlanc was appointed by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the European Commission to serve as an arbitrator under the EU-US Privacy Shield Framework.

Mr. LeBlanc was chief of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Enforcement Bureau during the Obama administration. He previously served as a senior adviser to then-California Attorney General Kamala D. Harris and as special assistant attorney general of California. Prior to his California roles, he served during the Obama administration as an attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Legal Counsel, worked in private practice, and clerked for the Hon. Stephen Reinhardt on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit.

Mr. LeBlanc is a member of the American Law Institute. He holds an A.B. with honors from Princeton University, M.P.A. from Harvard University, J.D. from The Yale Law School, and an LL.M. from the University of Cambridge.

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. The Board's current Members are Sharon Bradford Franklin, Chair, Edward W. Felten, Travis LeBlanc, Beth A. Williams, and Richard E. DiZinno.