



## Mr. Eric Johnson

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### **Biography:**

Eric Johnson is an experienced attorney and Team Lead with the U.S. Office of Special Counsel's (OSC) Hatch Act Unit. The Hatch Act imposes certain limitations on the political activities of federal, state, and local government employees. Eric advises on the applicability of the Hatch Act, investigates alleged violations, and prosecutes violations before the Merit Systems Protection Board. During his time at OSC Eric has led numerous high-profile investigations, including of Senate-confirmed presidential appointees, and represented OSC in briefings to Congressional staff and at the White House. He also regularly presents on the Hatch Act, including at the annual Federal Dispute Resolution (FDR) conference, professional development courses, agency-organized trainings, and OSC's Hatch Act webinar series.

Prior to joining OSC, Eric worked for the U.S. Department of Commerce in the Ethics Law and Programs Division. Among his other duties, Eric was head of the ethics training program for the Department and its constituent agencies, including the Census Bureau, Patent and Trademark Office, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and National Institute for Standards and Technology.

### **Career:**

07/2023 – Present	Lead Attorney, Hatch Act Unit, U.S. Office of Special Counsel
05/2018 – 07/2023	Attorney, Hatch Act Unit, U.S. Office of Special Counsel
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### **Education:**

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC  
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