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State Personnel Board Elects CalPERS Representative

SACRAMENTO –The California State Personnel Board (SPB) on Tuesday elected Mona Pasquil Rogers as its representative to serve on the California Public Employees' Retirement Board (CalPERS).

Pasquil Rogers replaces Richard Costigan, who has represented SPB on the CalPERS board since 2010.

Pasquil Rogers was appointed to SPB on January 3 after serving as appointments secretary in the Office of Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. since 2011. She was chief of staff to Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi from 2008 to 2009 and served as acting Lieutenant Governor from 2009 to 2010, upon Garamendi's election to Congress. Pasquil Rogers was a business development consultant at IBM from 2003 to 2006. She was deputy political director for John Kerry's presidential campaign in 2004, political director for Governor Gray Davis' gubernatorial campaign in 2002, California political director for Al Gore's presidential campaign in 2000 and western political director for the White House Office of Political Affairs from 1996 to 2000. She is president of the California Asian Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus Institute, vice president of California Women Lead and a member of Women in Philanthropy.

Tuesday's vote comes after the board selected its officers for 2019 at its December 14, 2018 meeting. The board elected Lauri Shanahan as president and Shawnda Westly as vice president. The two other members of the board are Kathy Baldree and Kimiko Burton.

Established by the State Constitution, SPB administers the civil service system by overseeing the hiring of state employees who provide critical services to the citizens of California. SPB establishes rules and policy related to the merit system, and audits departments for compliance. SPB adjudicates appeals from state employee disciplinary actions, and alleged violations of civil service law that are filed by employees, applicants, and members of the public. More information on SPB and its board members can be found on its website at www.spb.ca.gov.

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