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Virginia SCC Commissioner Jehmal Hudson Appointed as New Chairman of the NARUC Select Committee on Regulatory and Industry Diversity

WASHINGTON (December 8, 2021) — National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners President Judith Williams Jagdmann has appointed Judge Jehmal Hudson of the Virginia State Corporation Commission as the new chairman of the Select Committee on Regulatory and Industry Diversity.

The Select Committee promotes inclusion and prudent, competitive procurement practices to advance opportunities for women, minority and service-disabled veteran-owned businesses in utility supply markets. The Select Committee also aims to strengthen relationships that provide mutual economic benefits for ratepayers, investors and disadvantaged business enterprises.

Hudson was educated at the Adelphi University and earned his law degree from the Vermont Law School. Before his SCC appointment, he served in various roles at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for more than 10 years, including director of government affairs. He also served as vice president of government affairs for the National Hydropower Association. His service as an SCC Commissioner began in 2020.

Before his appointment as chairman, he served on the Select Committee as co-vice chair with Commissioner Diane Burman of New York. He replaces former District of Columbia Chairman Willie L. Phillips, who was recently appointed to the FERC.

“Judge Hudson is a natural choice for this appointment, as he has ample experience on the Select Committee, is a visionary leader and truly embraces its mission,” said Jagdmann. “We are grateful for the previous leadership of Commissioner Phillips and look forward to a smooth transition for the Select Committee.”

“I am honored to have the opportunity to develop and maintain partnerships that will promote and strengthen diversity, equity and inclusion within our workforce and the services our regulatory agencies provide,” said Hudson. “Through our lead, I look forward to encouraging our regulated industries to do the same each and every day.”

Learn more about the Select Committee on Regulatory and Industry Diversity at NARUC’s website, bit.ly/NARUCSelectCommittee.

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