

Figure 1: Facsimile of SOTF Seat Assignment Status and Applicant List
As of July 28, 2026

Seat #	Qualification	Applications Received	Status	Term Ends
Seat 1	Nominated by Society of Professional Journalists	~~Dean Schmidt~~ <i>No nomination received; no applicants</i>	~~Didn't re-apply~~ Seat Vacant	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seat 2	Nominated by Society of Professional Journalists	Lila LaHood (incumbent) 5/6/26	<u>Holdover</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seat 3	Member of the press or electronic media	~~None~~ <u>Saul Sugarman (incumbent) 4/27/2026</u>	<u>Holdover</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seat 4	<u>Must be nominated by the local chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists and be either a journalist from a racial/ethnic-minority-owned news organization, a journalist whose work focuses on issues impacting minority racial or ethnic communities, or a journalist who works with a media organization or publication whose target audience is a minority racial or ethnic community.</u>	<u>Ankita Mukhopadhyay Kumar</u>	<u>Active Appointee</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seat 5	Nominated by League of Women Voters	Maxine Anderson (incumbent) 3/16/26	<u>Holdover</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seat 6	Member of public experienced in consumer advocacy	Laura Stein (incumbent) 4/2/26 Chris Hyland (incumbent) 4/1/26 Matthew Yankee (incumbent) 3/23/26 David Pilpel (incumbent) 6/17/26	<u>Holdover</u> <u>Holdover</u> <u>Holdover</u> <u>Holdover</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seat 7	Member of public experienced in consumer advocacy	Njon Sanders 7/22/26 Michael Christensen 7/22/26 Matthew Christopher Donahue 7/22/26	<u>Applicant</u> <u>Applicant</u> <u>Applicant</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seats 8, 9 and 10	Interest/experience in issues of citizen access and participation in local government	Laura Stein (incumbent) 4/2/26 Chris Hyland (incumbent) 4/1/26 Matthew Yankee (incumbent) 3/23/26 David Pilpel (incumbent) 6/17/26 Joseph Sangirardi (incumbent) 4/27/26 <u>Amerika Nachele Sanchez 2/26/26</u> MacKenzie Ewing 5/6/26 Andrea Gallardo Lopez 5/11/26 Christopher Ojeda 5/28/26 Njon Sanders 7/22/26 Michael Christensen 7/22/26	<u>Holdover</u> <u>Holdover</u> <u>Holdover</u> <u>Holdover</u> <u>Holdover</u> <u>Withdrew Appl.</u> <u>Applicant</u> <u>Applicant</u> <u>Applicant</u> <u>Applicant</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
Seat 11	<u>Interest/experience in issues of citizen access and participation in local government;</u> <u>Must be physically handicapped</u>	<u>Bruce Wolfe</u> <u>? David Pilpel (incumbent) 6/17/26</u>	<u>Active Appointee</u> <u>Holdover</u>	<u>4/27/2027</u>
<u>Unkown Seat</u>		<u>Cynthia Dai (1/25/25)</u> <u>Kartik Sathappan (2/24/25)</u>	<u>Expired Appl.</u> <u>Expired Appl.</u>	
<u>Ex-Officio</u>	<u>Clerk of the Board or Designee</u>		<u>Vacant</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>
<u>Ex-Officio</u>	<u>Mayor or Designee</u>	<u>Michael Adams</u>	<u>Active Appointee</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>

