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## OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL 2011 STATUTORY TRAINING DATES

The Office of General Counsel (OGC) of the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) periodically offers Basic and Advanced training to the public regarding the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute (the Statute). According to General Counsel Julia Akins Clark, "OGC's Statutory Training courses offer federal employees, and union and management representatives, practical information they need to better understand their rights and fulfill their responsibilities under the Statute." The Basic course includes an introduction to FLRA law and procedure covering such topics as Weingarten meetings, formal discussions, bypass, discrimination, the right to information and the duty and scope of bargaining. The Advanced class is a one-day class which addresses complex bargaining issues including contract interpretation, repudiation and appropriate arrangement bargaining. These training sessions are offered free of charge and in each of the seven cities where FLRA Regional Offices are located.

Following is the OGC Statutory Training schedule:

<b>REGION</b>	<b>COURSE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Atlanta	Basic	June 28
Boston	Basic	May 17
Boston	Basic	October 26
Boston	Advanced	July 14
Chicago	Advanced	July 13
Chicago	Basic	October 20
Dallas	Basic	June 9
Denver	Basic	June 16
Denver	Advanced	September 14
San Francisco	Advanced	June 8
San Francisco	Basic	July 19-20
Washington	Advanced	July 14
Washington	Advanced	October 6
Washington	Basic	October 13

Space is limited and will be confirmed on a first come, first served basis. **To register, please copy the following link into your browser and complete and print the training form, and fax the completed form to the FLRA Regional Office where the course is offered.** [http://www.flra.gov/webfm\\_send/464](http://www.flra.gov/webfm_send/464). If you have questions, contact OGC Staff Assistant, Ameeran Ali, at [aali@flra.gov](mailto:aali@flra.gov) or the Office Manager in the FLRA Regional Office where the training is offered.

The FLRA's Office of General Counsel is the independent investigative and prosecutorial component of the FLRA. The OGC, through its seven regional offices, investigates, resolves, and prosecutes unfair labor practice charges, resolves representation questions, which includes the conduct of secret ballot elections to determine a collective bargaining representative, and provides training and assistance to parties on establishing productive and cooperative labor-management relations.

The FLRA administers the labor-management relations program for 1.6 million non-Postal Federal employees worldwide, approximately 1.1 million of whom are represented in 2,200 collective bargaining units. The FLRA is charged with providing leadership in establishing policies and guidance related to Federal sector labor-management relations and with resolving disputes under, and ensuring compliance with, the Statute.

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