

Constance S. Barker Commissioner

Constance S. Barker was sworn in July 14 as a Commissioner of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). Ms. Barker was nominated by President George W. Bush on March 31, 2008, and unanimously confirmed by the Senate on June 27 to serve the remainder of a five-year term expiring on July 1, 2011.

Commissioner Barker brought extensive experience in labor and employment law, including positions in both the private and public sectors. As a shareholder at Capell & Howard, P.C. in Montgomery, Ala., she provided advice regarding the prevention of discrimination complaints and defended clients in employment discrimination lawsuits. Her public-sector experience includes four years as an assistant district attorney for the 11th and 13th Judicial Circuits of Alabama, one year as a judge for two Alabama localities, and 11 years as the general counsel for the Mobile County Public School System.

A native of Florence, Ala., Commissioner Barker received a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame and a juris doctor from the University of Alabama.

Commissioner Barker and her husband, Carl, have a daughter, Christina Aune, who is an investment banker in New York.
