



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
**THE SECRETARY**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: The Assistant Secretary for Management

FROM: The Secretary

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority

**I. DELEGATION**

Under the authority vested in me by section 412 of the Department of Education Organization Act, 20 U.S.C. § 3472, I hereby delegate to you, and to anyone serving for you in an acting capacity, the authority to administer the Department's responsibilities under Section 550 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended (40 U.S.C. § 550 et seq.).

Unless otherwise noted in future delegations of authority, amendments to the authority delegated herein are included within the scope of this delegation.

**II. RESERVATIONS**

Unless otherwise noted in existing or future delegations of authority, the following are not delegated:

- A. the authority to sign Federal Register notices;
- B. the authority to award discretionary grants and contracts for goods and services;
- C. the authority to appoint, and fix compensation of, members of advisory councils; and
- D. unless otherwise provided by law, the authority to submit reports to the Congress or the President.

**III. REDELEGATION**

You may redelegate the authority delegated to you and may authorize further redelegations.

IV. CERTIFICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

This delegation is effective upon certification by the Department's Principal Delegation Control Officer. It supersedes all previous delegations of this authority.

I hereby ratify actions within the scope of this delegation taken by you prior to the date of certification.

/s/  
Margaret Spellings

OGC Clearance and Date: /s/ David Berthiaume, 2/27/2008

Certified Date: 3/4/2008

Departmental Delegations Control Officer: /s/ Naty G. Beetle

Control Number: EA/EM/340