2023 Negotiated Rulemaking Student Loan Debt Relief Committee
US Department of Education
Non-Federal Negotiators and Facilitators
October, November, December, 2023

Facilitators (non-voting)

Cynthia Jeffries, John Weathers, and Brady Roberts or Mike Franczak with Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service

Non-Federal Negotiators

Civil Rights Organizations
Wisdom Cole, NAACP (primary)
India Heckstall, Center for Law and Social Policy (alternate)

Legal Assistance Organizations that Represent Students or Borrowers
Kyra Taylor, National Consumer Law Center, (primary)
Scott Waterman, Student Loan Committee of the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees, (alternate)

State Officials, including State higher education executive officers, State authorizing agencies, and State regulators of institutions of higher education.
Lane Thompson, Oregon DCBS - Division of Financial Regulation, (primary)
Amber Gallup, New Mexico Higher Education Department, (alternate)

State Attorneys General
Yael Shavit, Office of the Massachusetts Attorney General, (primary)
Josh Divine, Missouri Attorney General’s Office, (alternate)

Public Institutions of Higher Education, Including Two-Year and Four-Year Institutions
Melissa Kunes, The Pennsylvanian State University, (primary)
J.D. LaRock, North Shore Community College, (alternate)

Private Nonprofit Institutions of Higher Education
Angelika Williams, University of San Francisco, (primary)
Susan Teerink, Marquette University, (alternate)
Proprietary Institutions
Kathleen Dwyer, Galen College of Nursing, (primary)
Belen Gonzalez, Mech-Tech College, (alternate)

Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, and Minority-Serving Institutions (institutions of higher education eligible to receive Federal assistance under title III, parts A and F, and title V of the HEA)
Sandra Boham, Salish Kootenai College, (primary)
Carol Peterson, Langston University, (alternate)

Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Lenders, Servicers, or Guaranty Agencies
Scott Buchanan, Student Loan Servicing Alliance, (primary)
Benjamin Lee, Ascendium Education Solutions, Inc., (alternate)

Student Loan Borrowers Who Attended Programs of Two Years or Less
Ashley Pizzuti, San Joaquin Delta College (primary)
David Ramirez, Pasadena City College, (alternate)

Student Loan Borrowers Who Attended Four-Year Programs
Sherrie Gammage, The University of New Orleans, (primary)
Sarah Christa Butts, University of Maryland, (alternate)

Student Loan Borrowers Who Attended Graduate Programs
Richard Haase, State University of New York at Stony Brook, (primary)
Dr. Jalil Bishop, University of California, Los Angeles, (alternate)

Currently Enrolled Postsecondary Education Students
Jada Sanford, Stephen F. Austin University, (primary)
Jordan Nellums, University of Texas, (alternate)

U.S. Military Service Members, Veterans, or Groups Representing them
Michael Jones, Veteran, (primary)
Vincent Andrews, Veteran, (alternate)

Consumer Advocates
Jessica Ranucci, New York Legal Assistance Group, (primary)
Ed Boltz, Law Offices of John T. Orcutt, P.C., (alternate)

Individuals with Disabilities or Groups Representing them
John Whitelaw, Community Legal Aid Society, Inc. (CLASI), (primary)
Waukecha Wilkerson, Sacramento State University, (alternate)