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Mark Warshawsky is Deputy Commissioner for Retirement and Disability Policy at the Social Security Administration (SSA). His interests include social security, employer-sponsored pension and retirement programs, financial planning, health and long-term care financing, public finance, and macroeconomics. He has testified before Congress and administrative agencies many times, and was recently a Senior Research Fellow at the Mercatus Center of George Mason University, as well as a visiting scholar at the MIT Golub Center for Finance and Policy.

Mark is the author of over 150 published articles and four books. From 2006 to 2013, he was Director of Retirement Research at Towers Watson, a global human capital consulting firm.

Mark was a member of the Social Security Advisory Board from 2006 through 2012 and was Vice Chairman of the Federal Commission on Long-Term Care in 2013. From 2004 to 2006, Mark served as Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy at the U.S. Department of the Treasury, playing a key role in the development of the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

He is the inventor of the life care annuity, a product integrating the immediate life annuity and long-term care insurance benefits, and a developer of planning software. Mark has held senior-level positions at the Federal Reserve Board, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association - College Retirement Equities Fund. He received a Ph.D. in economics from Harvard University and a B.A. with highest distinction from Northwestern University.

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Beatrice Disman is the Acting Chief of Staff for SSA. Most recently, Bea served as an advisor to the agency's Commissioner on significant management challenges including the disability program and anti-fraud initiatives. From 1995 to 2014, Bea was the Regional Commissioner for the agency's New York Region. As Regional Commissioner, Bea had direct authority over SSA's operations in New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands including 3,900 employees in 123 locations serving more than 7 million beneficiaries who received more than \$88 billion in Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits annually. She also planned and implemented the agency's responsibilities in the Medicare Prescription Drug Act of 2003, the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008, and the Affordable Care Act of 2010.

Chairman Emeritus of the New York Federal Executive Board, Bea served as its Chair from 1997 to 2003, leading the collaborative effort among 150 Federal agencies throughout the City of New York, most notably during the aftermath of September 11. She is a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance and a tireless advocate for many social issues through her leadership roles on her local Community Board.

Bea holds a B.A. in History and Political Science from Brooklyn College, an M.A. in American Diplomatic History from Ohio State University Graduate School, and an M.B.A. from New York University's Graduate School of Business. She also completed the Harvard University Senior Executive Fellows Program and is an alumna of the Federal Executive Institute in Charlottesville, VA.