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Good afternoon,

The Department of Justice issued a [press release](#) today announcing the Attorney General's appointment of Allison Turkel as the VCF's new permanent Special Master to replace interim Special Master August Flentje. Messages from Auggie and Allison have been posted to the VCF website and can be found [here](#).

Allison is a native New Yorker, a former Philadelphia area police officer and lieutenant, and a former prosecutor with the Manhattan District Attorney's Office. She has dedicated her career to victim services, and has served the Department of Justice for over 14 years, most recently in the Office for Victims of Crime, where she focused on implementation of a claims system for victims of trafficking in child pornography. You can read more about Allison's experience in her [biography](#).

The VCF team is grateful to Auggie for his leadership over the past 10 months, and his many contributions in support of our mission. Throughout this transition period, Allison will work with the VCF team to ensure there are no delays in processing claims. She looks forward to working with the 9/11 community and is excited to be a part of the VCF as it continues to transform for the future.

Over the coming weeks, we will share more information about the transition and opportunities to meet Allison.

Thank you.

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