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On October 26, 2023, President Biden appointed Jessica Looman to be the administrator of the Wage and Hour Division (WHD). She had previously served as the principal deputy administrator of WHD since January 20, 2021. WHD enforces worker protections and provides outreach and education on federal labor laws including minimum wage. overtime, child labor, and family and medical leave. Before joining WHD, Jessica served as the executive director of the Minnesota State Building and Construction Trades Council, where she advocated to expand construction career pathways, protected the physical and financial health of union construction workers, and increased private and public investment in construction infrastructure. Before joining the Building Trades, Governor Mark Dayton appointed Jessica to serve as commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Commerce. She also served as the deputy commissioner and the assistant commissioner for the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) where she oversaw the strategic coordination of DLI's five divisions. Jessica has previously served as the general counsel of the Laborers' District Council of Minnesota and North Dakota. She is a graduate of the George Washington University and the University of Minnesota Law School.