

**Karima M. Woods**  
**Commissioner of the District of Columbia**  
**Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking (DISB)**

Karima M. Woods is the sixth Commissioner of the District of Columbia's Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking (DISB). Mayor Muriel Bowser nominated Woods on January 21, 2020, and the Council of the District of Columbia unanimously confirmed the nomination on July 28, 2020.

In her role, Commissioner Woods serves as the chief financial services regulator for the District's financial services industries, including insurance companies, captive insurance companies, investment advisors, securities broker-dealers, mortgage loan originators, mortgage lenders and brokers, state-chartered banks, student loan servicers, and money transmitters. The Commissioner is also responsible for managing financial empowerment and education programs that include the Opportunity Accounts Program, Financially Fit DC, and the forthcoming Financial Empowerment Center. The Commissioner also administers the District's access to capital programs pursuant to the Treasury Department's State Small Business Credit Initiative. The Commissioner oversees, for Fiscal Year 2023, the Department's \$37.4 million budget, 157 employees, and approximately \$45 million in revenue.

Woods holds a Master of Business Administration from George Washington University and a Bachelor of Arts in law and society from the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Woods is married and lives with her husband and two daughters in Washington, DC.