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MARLENE H. DORTCH NAMED SECRETARY

Washington, DC -- Marlene H. Dortch has been named Secretary of the Federal Communications Commission. Ms. Dortch assumes this post effective April 18, 2002.

Ms. Dortch has been Acting Director of the Office of Communications Business Opportunities (OCBO) since June 2001. Prior to that position, she was Chief of the Equal Employment Opportunity Staff in the Commission's former Mass Media Bureau and she was an attorney-advisor in the Television Branch of the Bureau's Video Services Division.

She holds a J.D. degree from The Ohio State University College of Law and an A.B. from Georgetown University.

Ms. Dortch lives in Maryland with her husband and son.

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