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Dawn Shackleford oversees Commerce Department engagement in multilateral trade institutions, the monitoring of steel and aluminum trade and related matters, and U.S. foreign trade zones.

Prior to this position, Ms. Shackleford served in various positions in the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative from 2004 to 2022, to include as the Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for the Office of Southeast Asia and the Pacific, the Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for WTO and Multilateral Affairs, and the Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for India, Nepal, and Bhutan. She also served as the lead U.S. negotiator for the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement, the customs and trade facilitation chapter of the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership Agreement, multiple WTO accession negotiations, and the government procurement chapters in the U.S. FTA negotiations with Oman and the United Arab Emirates. She also worked on various WTO, OECD, APEC, G20, and UN trade policy issues.

Ms. Shackleford was elected to an international leadership position as the first female chairperson of the Trade Committee of the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) from 2020-21.

From 1998 to 2004 Ms. Shackleford served as a policy analyst within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and in the Department of the Navy. From 2003 to 2005 she served as an adjunct professor at American University's School of International Service.

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