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Tallahassee Immigration Attorney Appointed to Selective Service Board

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Immigration attorney Elizabeth Ricci of Rambana & Ricci, P.L.L.C., a Tallahassee-based law firm concentrating on complex immigration issues, has been appointed as a local board member for the U.S. Selective Service System. If a military draft becomes necessary, Ricci and her fellow board members will decide who among registrants in their community will receive deferments, postponements or exemption from military service based on the individual registrant's circumstances and beliefs. Local board appointments are for 20 years, and Ricci is one of five board members whose jurisdiction covers Leon and Wakulla counties.

“I am honored to be serving as a local board member for the Selective Service System, which plays a critical role in our nation’s defense. As a board member, I’m committed to ensuring those who are chosen to serve in our military are selected in a fair and equal manner,” said Ricci.

The Selective Service System is a federal agency that maintains a database of those potentially subject to a military draft in case of a national emergency. Virtually all men ages 18 through 25 must register for the Selective Service.

There are approximately 2,000 Selective Service local boards and more than 11,000 board members throughout the U.S. and its territories. During peacetime, board members participate in annual training during which they review sample cases similar to real-life situations.

Ricci, who has worked in the area of immigration law since 1989, is well-known for her pro bono work helping foreign-born U.S. military veterans gain U.S. citizenship. She also has represented a number of foreign-born military enlistees who were left in limbo following the U.S. government’s suspension of the Military Accessions Vital to the National Interest (MAVNI) program. Before it was suspended, the MAVNI program provided expedited U.S. citizenship to immigrants with valuable medical, engineering or foreign language skills.

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