

ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY



Senator Bart Hester
Senate Co-Chair

Representative Douglas House
House Co-Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS

December 6, 2018

The Honorable Asa Hutchinson
Governor of the State of Arkansas
State Capitol Building, Suite 250
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Hutchinson:

It is our pleasure to submit this letter of recommendation on behalf of Mr. Andrew C. Branch as he applies for appointment to the board of trustees of the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System (LOPFI). As chairs of the Joint Public Retirement and Social Security Programs Committee, we are writing to express our support for his candidacy.

Mr. Branch is currently vice president of housing for the Arkansas Development Finance Authority. He is an experienced financial services professional, accredited mortgage professional and licensed attorney whose skills and abilities would prove beneficial to LOPFI. We believe he would bring to this opportunity the same confident leadership and dedication he has shown in past endeavors.

Respectfully, we ask you to give Mr. Branch's application every consideration. If we can offer additional testimony on his behalf or otherwise be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bart Hester".

Bart Hester
Co-Chair
Senate District 1

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglas House".

Douglas House
Co-Chair
House District 40