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## Former Astronaut and NFL Player, Leland Melvin to deliver Plenary at FDR Training Event

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PALM BEACH GARDENS (May 15, 2018). – FDR Training, the preferred training provider for federal attorneys and professionals in Alternative Dispute Resolution, Equal Employment Opportunity, Employee Relations, Human Resources and Labor Relations, announced former astronaut and NFL Player, Leland Melvin, will present Moments in Silence at the event August 13 - 16, 2018 in Orlando, Florida.

Melvin's plenary will not only recount his life's journey with honesty and curiosity, he will also give attendees a blueprint for overcoming adversity and facing challenges with grit and grace through the mining of the latest thinking by researchers, authors and academics. Attendees will learn what motivated Melvin to overcome injuries, setbacks, expulsions and debilitating deafness.

"Leland Melvin is an excellent addition to this year's **FDR** program", said Dan Gephart, Program Chair of FDR Training and *cyber*FEDS® Editorial Director. "He will inspire attendees and give them tools to face their numerous challenges."

In addition to Melvin's Tuesday Opening Plenary, <u>Igniting FDR! Leading an Inclusive and Engaged Federal Workforce</u> will feature <u>Tinisha Agramonte</u>, Director, Office of Civil Rights of the Department of Commerce; <u>Mika Cross</u>, Director of Strategic Communications, Digital of the Department of Labor; <u>Amy Herman</u>, President of The Art of Perception; <u>Anupa lyer</u>, Policy Advisor, Office of Federal Operation of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; and <u>Cyrus Salazar</u>, Director, Air Force Equal Opportunity of the United States Air Force. The panel will share ideas on true leadership and how attendees' can make workplaces more welcoming and engaging for employees, including individuals with disabilities, veterans and first-generation professionals.

**FDR** will also feature the brand new networking event Shop Talk, as well as the yearly attendee favorite, Ask the Experts. Shop Talk not only gives attendees the chance to network with like-minded individuals, it allows them to talk openly about hot-button issues in multiple disciplines such as Labor Relations, Employee Relations and Alternative Dispute Resolution. Ask the Experts provides an opportunity to talk informally with **FDR**'s most popular and knowledgeable speakers. The small workgroups allow for frank discussion on some of the most challenging issues with agency leaders and federal employment experts.

Registration for **FDR 2018** is now open. Register before June 27 and receive the Early Bird discount and in addition, Workshop Day — a \$650.00 value — is included in the Premium Pass for just \$99 more than a Basic Pass.



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