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Sharon P. Clark, a veteran of Kentucky state government, was appointed Commissioner of the Department of Insurance (DOI) on January 6, 2020. She had previously served as Commissioner of the DOI from July 2008 to January 2016.

Commissioner Clark was the first director of the DOI’s Consumer Protection and Education Division, a position she held for five years. Under her leadership, the Department hired its first ombudsman, added consumer education and outreach functions, as well as strengthened enforcement efforts by expanding the number of consumer complaint investigators.

Commissioner Clark served as the chair of the Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange Advisory Board during its inaugural year and continues as a board member. She is also a member of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board.

In the past, Commissioner Clark served as an officer of the NAIC and chair of the NAIC’s Market Regulation and Consumer Affairs (D) Committee. She was also an officer for the NAIC’s Southeast Zone and a past secretary-treasurer for the National Insurance Producer Registry (NIPR) Board of Directors. She currently serves as co-vice chair of the Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation (F) Committee, vice chair of the Regulatory Framework (B) Task Force, vice chair of the Producer Licensing (D) Task Force, a member of the Government Relations (EX) Leadership Council, and a member of the NIPR Board of Directors.

Prior to being appointed Insurance Commissioner, Clark worked at the Finance and Administration Cabinet. She also held positions for the Kentucky House of Representatives, the Public Service Commission, and the former Workforce Development Cabinet.

She earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Kentucky. Clark and her husband have two daughters and four grandchildren.

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