



Juliette N. Kayyem has spent nearly fifteen years in counterterrorism, homeland security and emergency management arena, serving in key positions in and out of government. She most recently served for President Obama as Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) at the Department of Homeland Security. As Assistant Secretary, Ms. Kayyem was responsible for coordinated and consistent planning between the Department and all of its state, local, tribal and territorial (SLTT) partners on issues as varied as immigration, intelligence sharing, military affairs, border security, and the response to operational events such as H1N1, the Haiti earthquake and the BP oil spill. In the immediate aftermath of the BP oil spill, Ms. Kayyem was tasked to direct interagency and

intergovernmental affairs for the National Incident Command, overseeing a diverse interagency and interdisciplinary staff for the White House and DHS to address unprecedented issues in the response, including public safety, public engagement, environmental remediation and legal compliance. For her work, she received the Coast Guard's highest civilian honor.

Before joining the Obama Administration, she served as Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick's homeland security advisor, overseeing the National Guard, the commonwealth's strategic security planning, and the distribution of homeland security funds consistent with the Governor's priorities. Prior to that, she was a lecturer at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, serving also as co-chair of the Dubai and as Executive Director of the School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs. A lawyer by training, she began her legal career in 1995 at the Department of Justice, ultimately serving as an advisor to then Attorney General Janet Reno until 1999.

Ms. Kayyem was a congressional appointee to the National Commission on Terrorism which, in early summer 2001, highlighted major gaps in planning and preparation for a possible terrorist attack. She is the co-author of the critically acclaimed *Preserving Liberty in an Age of Terror* (2005, with Phil Heymann) as well as the author and editor of numerous books and articles, including *First to Arrive: State and Local Responses to Terrorism* (2003). She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Until she re-entered public service, Ms. Kayyem served as an on air analyst for NBC and MSNBC News.

Named a CNN/Fortune Magazine's People to Watch, she is also the most senior Arab American female appointee in the Obama Administration. A graduate of Harvard College and Law School, she is married to David Barron, a Harvard Law Professor, and has three children.