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Statement of Commissioner Rebecca Kelly Slaughter
FTC Policy Statement on Enforcement Related to Gig Work
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I am very pleased to vote for the Statement on Enforcement Related to Gig Work, which makes clear that the FTC is going to use the full breadth of its authority to examine conduct related to gig work and protect gig workers from unfair, deceptive, and



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into a MOU with the National Labor Relations Board.² Worker classification, including worker *misclassification* as independent contractors instead of employees, is not only deeply troubling from a labor law standpoint, but it can adversely affect competition. As I told the last



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Returning lost money to workers and consumers had been a mainstay of our enforcement until the Supreme Court eliminated the Commission’s primary and best tool to seek monetary remedies for violations of the FTC Act. In response, the Commission has issued an advance notice of proposed rulemaking regarding earnings claims. This inquiry means we can gather evidence on how best to protect against these scams and begin to think about how a possible Trade Regulation Rule could help level the playing field between workers and those that employ them. Pursuing rule violations would also reopen an avenue to return stolen money to these workers – something we can no longer do under Section 13(b) until Congress steps in to fix it. Moving forward in this rulemaking may be another way we can ensure gig workers get fair compensation for their labor.