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WEEKLY RECAP

What Happens to Your TSP Loan When You Leave Federal Service?

September 7, 2015

It is not uncommon for an employee to separate from federal service with an outstanding TSP loan. What happens to your loan when you retire or otherwise separate from federal service?

OPM's Retirement Applications Backlog Remains Nearly Unchanged in August

September 8, 2015

According to the latest available data from the Office of Personnel Management, the agency's outstanding backlog of retirement applications was left relatively unchanged over the last month.

G Fund Rate Cuts and a Possible Government Shutdown: NARFE Discusses Priorities for the New Session

September 8, 2015

With Congress back in session this week, John Hatton, deputy legislative director for NARFE, told FedSmith.com that his organization has several priorities in terms of legislation it wants to see passed by Congress to help federal employees, including avoiding another government shutdown and interest rate cuts to the TSP's G Fund.

Don't Lie on the Federal Employment Application

September 9, 2015

A federal employee learned the hard way that if you hide a pretty important fact on your federal job application, you face dismissal from the job and possibly debarment from working for the federal government.

“I Saw the Elephant” (in 1850)

September 9, 2015

Many Americans are ignorant about our history. A facility in Wyoming brings to life the sacrifices and hardships from the 500,000 pioneers who crossed the country on foot, in covered wagons and on horseback to settle the West.

FedSmith.com Users Think a 3% Raise in 2016 Would Be Fair

September 10, 2015

FedSmith.com users said in a recent survey that they think federal employees should be given a 3% pay raise in 2016.

Labor Department Issues Rule Allowing Federal Contractors to Discuss Salaries

September 10, 2015

A new Department of Labor regulation allows federal contractors to discuss and inquire about their own pay or that of their co-workers without fear of being fired.

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