



**CITIZENS COINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

801 9TH STREET, NW  
WASHINGTON, DC 20220

July 18, 2024

The Honorable Janet Yellen  
Secretary of the Treasury  
Department of the Treasury  
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20220

Dear Madam Secretary:

The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a public meeting on July 16, 2024, during which we reviewed the candidate designs for the 2026 “Best of the Mint” Companion Silver Medals. As part of its commemoration of the Semiquincentennial of our nation’s founding in 2026, the United States Mint (Mint) will release a one-year series of five 24-karat gold coins featuring celebrated historic designs from the last 250 years of United States coinage. These “Best of the Mint” Semiquincentennial 24-Karat Gold Coins will be released over the course of 2026 in sizes approximating the sizes of the original coins. The gold coins released as part of the “Best of the Mint” Semiquincentennial 24-karat Gold Coin and Silver Medal Program will include:

- 1804 Silver Dollar (Class I Version)
- 1907 Saint-Gaudens High-relief Double Eagle
- 1916 Winged Liberty Head (Mercury) Dime
- 1916 Standing Liberty Quarter Dollar
- 1916 Walking Liberty Half Dollar

The Mint will also release five companion silver medals. Each silver medal will be 1.598 inches in diameter and will feature a new and modern design inspired by one of the historic 24-karat gold coins.

At our public meeting, the CCAC reviewed the candidate designs for the five companion silver medals and identified the following as our recommendations. Each of these candidate design pairs received the highest scores in our scoring out of a possible 30 points (the scores are noted in the parentheses); subsequent motions to recommend these five candidate design pairs passed unanimously:

- **Silver Medal accompanying 1804 Silver Dollar: 1804-1-O/1804-1-R (22/19)**
- **Silver Medal accompanying 1907 Saint-Gaudens High-Relief Double Eagle: 1907-3-O/1907-3-R (27/20)**
- **Silver Medal accompanying 1916 Mercury Dime: WING-3-O/WING-3-R (26/27)**
- **Silver Medal accompanying 1916 Standing Liberty Quarter: STND-2-O/STND-2-R (24/23)**
- **Silver Medal accompanying 1916 Walking Liberty Quarter: WALK-1-O/WALK-1-R (27/25)**



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In addition, the CCAC passed a motion unanimously to recommend that all five of these medals be struck in high relief.

It is an honor to serve as the Chair of the CCAC and I am proud of the CCAC's role in United States coins and medals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Peter van Alfen". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Peter van Alfen, PhD, CCAC Chair