

Governor Jennifer M. Granholm tapped **LESLEE FRITZ** to lead the newly-created Michigan Economic Recovery Office (ERO) on February 13, 2009, one day after the passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The ERO is responsible for coordinating with state agencies to ensure that Michigan's recovery funds are used effectively and transparently to create jobs, jumpstart the economy, and protect citizens during this time of economic challenge.

Before taking on the role of ERO director, Fritz served the Granholm administration as a senior project manager, communications director for the Office of State Budget, and deputy communications director for the governor.

Prior to joining the governor's team, Fritz worked as staff director for the Senate Democratic Caucus. She was a partner in the Phoenix Consulting Corporation, based in Jackson, Mississippi, and has served as communications director for the Michigan Democratic Party.

Leslee Fritz holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Albion College and is a member of the Okemos Community Church. She is the proud parent of a 13-year-old son.