

Aaron Amundson has been the Director of the Information Technology Controls Division with the Bureau of Industry and Security since 2016. From 2005 to 2016, Mr. Amundson served as a Senior Export Policy Analyst for the same division, and was also the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee (ISTAC), as well as a technical expert in the U.S. delegation to the Wassenaar Arrangement. Mr. Amundson graduated with a B.A. from the University of Colorado and a J.D. from American University's Washington College of Law. He is a member of the New York State and District of Columbia Bars. Before law school he served as a Language Program Assistant in the Africa Region of the World Bank.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

OF

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Marc is a principal partner in the Import / Export Compliance Consulting firm **International Trade Compliance Strategies (ITC Strategies)**. ITC Strategies is a comprehensive Export and Import Compliance consulting business, which offers a wide range of services from one-time compliance assessments to the development of complete corporate compliance programs.

Prior to joining ITC Strategies, Marc was the Director of Customs Compliance for Goodrich Corporation, where he was responsible for managing the Corporate Customs Compliance program. Prior to joining Goodrich, Marc was Director of Customs and Export Compliance for TRW Automotive, and prior to that he was Manager of Import and Export Licensing and Compliance for Lockheed Martin – Government Electronics Systems in Moorestown, NJ.

Marc is a former two-term member of the Department of Commerce Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee (RPTAC) and a former three-term member of the Department of State, Defense Trade Advisory Group (DTAG). Marc is a member of the Board of Directors of the Society for International Affairs (SIA), where he is the Secretary / Treasurer and prior to that he served as a Director of Planning and Education. Marc is a licensed Customs Broker, and was certified in the fields of Defense logistics and Hazardous Materials Transportation. Marc has been active in the International Logistics, Export and Import fields for the past 30 years.

Marc holds a bachelor's degree from Villanova University and has graduated from the Wharton Management Program, University of Pennsylvania. He also received a certificate in Transportation and Distribution Management from Pennsylvania State University as well as training in Defense Packaging of Hazardous Materials for Transportation at the School of Military Packaging Technology at Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

Marc has spoken at numerous conferences and seminars in the U.S. and Internationally on Import, Export and Customs Issues. Marc is a native of Philadelphia, PA and now resides in the Annapolis, MD area.



Supervisory Special Agent Greg Concepcion
FBI Senior Detailee to the Export Enforcement Coordination Center E2C2
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Greg Concepcion was selected as the FBI Senior Detailee to the Export Enforcement Coordination Center (E2C2) in April 2016 and serves as the E2C2 Deputy Director of Operations. On November 9, 2010, as part of the President's Export Control Reform Initiative, President Obama signed Executive Order 13558 establishing E2C2 within DHS. The E2C2 serves as the primary focus for 22 law enforcement agencies to coordinate and enhance export investigations and serves as a conduit to the Intelligence Community and regulatory licensing agencies. Mr. Concepcion's previous assignment was as a Supervisory Special Agent within the New York Field Office's Counterintelligence Division. Mr. Concepcion entered on duty with the FBI in 1997 at the FBI Los Angeles Field Office. Following graduation from the FBI Academy in 2001, he reported to the San Francisco Field Office and was assigned to Criminal and Counterintelligence squads. He subsequently served as a Supervisory Special Agent in the Counterintelligence Division's Espionage Section at FBI Headquarters in Washington, DC where he oversaw managed a multitude of sensitive espionage investigations throughout the U.S. He is also a certified Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) operator. Mr. Concepcion holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from the California State University of Long Beach.

Anthony (Tony) Dearth

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Mr. Dearth is currently the Acting Managing Director of the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls until a permanent replacement is identified. He has been the Director of Licensing with the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls since November 2013, where he is responsible for directing the actions of 56 personnel across four operational licensing divisions. The core function of Licensing is the adjudication of all direct commercial sale export requests received under the International Traffic in Arms Regulation. His staff provides authoritative guidance and direction to government agencies and defense industry to ensure compliance with federal statutes and regulations. His staff also participates in domestic and international outreach activities. From July to October 2015, he served as the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Defense Trade Controls, providing executive leadership to the entire 150 member Directorate of Defense Trade Controls during a critical senior leadership transition period in the Bureau of Political

Military Affairs. He has been with DDTC since Nov 2003. His former duties within DDTC include: Chief of Special Projects, Chief of Aircraft Division, Chief of Space and Missile Technology Division, Senior Analyst, and military Agreements Officer.

While Chief of Special Projects, he was responsible for bringing the USXports IT system into service at DDTC under the President's Export Control Reform (ECR) initiative. He worked closely with the Department of Defense Program Manager and contractors at the Defense Technology Security Administration for 3+ years defining requirements, managing migration of historical data, and extensively testing the system prior to operational implementation in July 2013. He was also the Department of State lead for the roll out of the 1248 Report to Congress on proposed changes to legislation affecting spacecraft and associated equipment, as well as preparing all of DDTC staff for the implementation of ECR in October 2013 when USML Categories VIII (Aircraft) and XIX (Gas Turbine Engines) became effective.

Mr. Dearth is a retiree from the U.S. Air Force, where he served for twenty-one years across several positions in nuclear operations, command and control (C2), and consequence management (CM) focusing on systems engineering, policy formulation, procedure development, exercise design/execution, arms control inspections, export licensing, safety, surety, training, and test & evaluation. His most recent assignments include: Emergency Actions Officer for U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii; Chief of the Nuclear Accident/Incident Exercises (Europe) for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Alexandria, Virginia; and Deputy Site Commander Votkinsk Portal Monitoring Facility (Russia), On-Site Inspection Agency, Dulles, Virginia.

Mr. Dearth graduated from the Reserve Officer Training Corp program at Kansas State University in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and he earned a Master of Science in Systems Management in 1987 from the University of Southern California.

Mr. Dearth is married to the former Ms. Theresa (Terry) Forman and has two adult children.

BIOGRAPHY OF

THOMAS DEFEE

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Thomas DeFee joined the Department of Commerce (DOC) Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) Munitions Control Division (MCD) in March 2012, and currently serves as the Acting Director for MCD. In his current role, Mr. DeFee provides guidance and leadership to the Division which is responsible for the review and processing of export license applications, commodity classification requests, and license determinations of military items that transferred from the United States Munitions List to the Commerce Control List. Prior to joining the Department of Commerce, Mr. DeFee's professional career includes over eighteen (15) years of experience supporting a variety of engineering, acquisition, and project management activities in support of technology advancement across all operational domains for Government customers at Department of Defense (DOD), Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and Other Government Agencies. Additionally, Mr. DeFee's industry experience includes four years of practice as an engineer in the semiconductor equipment manufacturing industry for a major global supplier. Mr. DeFee earned BS and MS degrees in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin where his academic concentrations included nuclear engineering and materials science.



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Biography

Hillary Donau-Hastreiter Doll, LCB, Empowered Official, is the Director of Global Trade at Raytheon Missile Systems, a position she assumed in December 2016. Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN), with 2016 sales of \$24.1 billion and 63,000 employees worldwide, is a technology and innovation leader specializing in defense, civil government and cybersecurity markets throughout the world. Raytheon's global headquarters is in Waltham, Massachusetts.

In her role, Ms. Doll is responsible for driving international trade strategies to execute compliant global growth, partnering with other functional support teams to implement companywide policies and procedures, and developing top global trade talent. She works closely with other Raytheon businesses and functional leadership to ensure continuous improvement in terms of compliance posture and effectivity.

Since joining Raytheon in 2003, Ms. Doll has held numerous positions of increasing responsibility in Export/Import Operations, including serving as lead for several key product lines and functions for Missile Systems. She has presented at a number of conferences, including the American Conference Institute's ITAR Boot Camp West, the North Alabama International Trade Association's Export Control Update and the Arizona Export Compliance Summit.

Ms. Doll holds a master's degree from the University of Arizona, School of Government & Public Policy, and a bachelor's degree from the University of Arizona, Eller College of Management. She is also a Licensed Customs Broker and a former member of the Arizona District Export Council.



Colin Donahue is the Technology Control Manager for Rolls-Royce North America working out of the Indianapolis, IN offices. This position sits within the Corporate Export Control team for the Americas in the United States. Colin also works closely with the global Rolls-Royce export team as the US expert.

Colin holds a Bachelor's of Science in International Business and Business Management from Indiana University's Kelley School of Business. He graduated on the Dean's list and was named one of the Top 100 students by the faculty.

Colin joined Rolls-Royce March 2004 and has held various roles, including: Sr. Export Compliance Specialist (2007), Export Control Manager US Purchasing (July 2008) and Local Ethics Officer (2010). He was also the export lead for the Joint Strike Fighter program within Rolls-Royce.

Colin moved to his current position in September 2011 and focuses on: Compliance, including audits and investigation; Training and Communications; Technology Commercialization path (to understand technologies throughout the product lifecycle); Technology transfer compliance; Liaison to regulators; and Foreign National management.

Colin is married and has two teenage boys. His outside interests include music, running, basketball and time with his family. He has coached youth sports for over 20 years and enjoys volunteering for various charity causes, which includes leading a capital campaign raising charity funds.

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Ms. Downs has been recognized several times for her outstanding performance within the FTD and ITMD. She has earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from the University of Maryland, College Park. She also earned a Masters of Business Administration with a concentration in management from Strayer University and an Associate's Citation in Project Management from the George Washington University.

Candace M. J. Goforth
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Candace Goforth is the Managing Director of Goforth Trade Advisors where she provides clients with strategic and practical day-to-day solutions involving defense trade and export controls. She is a subject matter expert on the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) and the Export Administration Regulations (EAR).

Prior to her current position, Candace served over thirteen years in the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC) leaving as the Director for Policy. As Director, she oversaw the Department of State's implementation of the Export Control Reform initiative and was intimately involved in the revision of the control lists. Candace was also a key player in the drafting of the definition of specially designed.

In addition to being Director, Candace held numerous positions in DDTC to include Licensing Officer, Senior Agreements Officer, Commodity Jurisdiction Analyst, Senior Foreign Affairs Officer and Compliance Specialist. Candace was also the Division Chief for Training, and was charged with the training of all new Licensing and Agreements Officers.

Candace received her Master's of Arts in Security Policy Studies from George Washington University.



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Jahna currently leads Booz Allen's International Trade Compliance program. She previously served as Director & Associate General Counsel at Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation in Stratford, Connecticut, where she headed the ITC Licensing & Operations division of the International Trade Compliance program. She also previously managed the International Trade Compliance Program as Associate General Counsel for the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, and has been a partner at Williams Mullen, PC and an associate in the International Trade groups of Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP and at Kaye Scholer LLP.

After obtaining her law degree from The George Washington University Law School in 1999, Jahna clerked for the Honorable Thomas J. Aquilino, Jr. at the U.S. Court of International Trade. She has been a member of the Defense Trade Advisory Group and co-Chair of the Export Controls and Economic Sanctions Committee of the American Bar Association Section of International Law.

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Bruce Jackson is the Vice President, Group Trade Compliance with Meggitt-USA, Inc., headquartered in Simi Valley, California, where he leads Meggitt's global trade compliance program. Bruce has more than 32 years in the trade compliance field, having worked both in the government and private sectors. Bruce also serves on the U.S. Department of Commerce's Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee (RPTAC).

Prior to joining Meggitt, Bruce was Vice President, Trade Controls and Export Strategy at Virgin Galactic, the world's first commercial spaceline. While with VG Bruce oversaw and managed the trade compliance program as the company ramped up to commercial operation at Spaceport America near Las Cruces, New Mexico. During his time at Virgin Galactic he served two terms as Chairman of the Export Controls Subcommittee of the Commercial Spaceflight Federation (CSF). Bruce worked closely with industry and regulators at State, Commerce and Defense on export control issues related to human spaceflight.

Prior to joining Virgin Galactic Bruce was the Exports Practice Leader for J.P. Morgan's Trade Management Consulting group. J.P. Morgan acquired the software and consulting start-up Vastera Inc in 2005 where Bruce was also the Exports Practice Leader while based in Longmont, Colorado. His clients while with Vastera and later J.P. Morgan included companies cutting across a wide range of industries, from Silicon Valley startups and "mom and pop" manufacturers of specialized industrial and aerospace components, to global 100 corporations.

Earlier in his career, Bruce worked for ABB Asea Brown Boveri, the Swiss-Swedish electrical engineering giant and was based in Mannheim, Germany for 10 years, arriving three weeks after the Berlin Wall came down. He also worked as a consultant in the international trade practice group of a major Wall Street law firm. He began his career with the Office of Export Administration at the US Department of Commerce and was on hand when that office became the Bureau of Export Administration. Bruce is a 1984 graduate of Humboldt State University in Arcata, CA (BA, Political Science) and he has also studied at the Institute for East European Studies, University of Uppsala, Sweden. Bruce speaks Swedish and German in addition to his native English. Bruce currently resides in Las Cruces, New Mexico with his family.



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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

MICHAEL R. LAYCHAK

Michael R. Laychak, a member of the Senior Executive Service, is currently serving as the Deputy Director for the Defense Technology Security Administration, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. In this capacity he assists the Director with managing a staff of over 220 policy analysts, engineers, and licensing officers responsible for developing and implementing DoD technology security and foreign disclosure policies for international transfers of defense-related goods, services, information, and technology.



Prior to his appointment as Deputy Director, Mr. Laychak was the Director for Licensing at DTSA from March 2008 to September 2014. In this capacity, he coordinated the DoD review of direct commercial sale export licenses, commodity jurisdiction requests and regulatory change recommendations from the Departments of Commerce and State. In addition, he served as a principal advisor to the Director and Deputy Director, Defense Technology Security Administration on licensing issues. From 2003 to 2007, he was the Division Chief for Dual Use Licensing, supervising the Department of Defense review process related to Commerce Department export licenses. Mr. Laychak moved to the DTSA Dual Use License Division in February 2000. As an export license analyst, he provided the DoD position on a broad spectrum of export licenses covering a wide range of technologies, including avionics, aircraft engines and materials, night vision devices, deemed exports and EPCI related licenses. Before this assignment, Mr. Laychak worked in the DTSA Technology Security Operations directorate as an intelligence analyst from 1989 to 2000. In this capacity he analyzed worldwide technology transfer activity, especially in the area of ballistic missile development and provided all source intelligence evaluations of dual use and munitions export licenses.

Mr. Laychak has represented the Department of Defense in numerous interagency government working groups including the senior level Advisory Committee on Export Policy, the Missile Technology Analysis Group, the Missile Technology Export Control group, the Nuclear Export Violations Working Group and the Technology Transfer Working Group.

Mr. Laychak received a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Relations from the University of Virginia in 1984.

Béla Máriássy

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Béla Máriássy is the Export Relationship Manager of Rockwell Collins Information Management Services (IMS) business unit. IMS was formed in 2014 when Rockwell Collins acquired ARINC Inc., a leader in aerospace communications and systems engineering.

Béla oversees the export compliance of the IMS, Control Technologies and Simulations & Training Solutions business units. In this capacity, he supports activities involving global aerospace communications networks, flight control systems for unmanned air vehicles (UAV), and simulators. Bela has more than 25 years of export compliance and international business experience. He is an active participant in the Society for International Affairs (SIA) and regular attendee at Defense Trade Advisory Group (DTAG) meetings.

Bela joined ARINC in 2005, after a long career with the predecessor companies which now comprise Honeywell International. Most recently, he was Regional Manager, International Trade Compliance in the Honeywell Engines division based in Phoenix, Arizona. Prior to that, he was Manager Export Compliance & Contracts of International Turbine Engine Corporation, a joint venture formed by Garrett Turbine Engine Company with Taiwan, which was acquired by Allied-Signal and eventually became part of Honeywell. In his 20 years with the company, Bela held various roles of export compliance and finance.

Béla's involvement in international activities began when he graduated from Columbia University with a Bachelor's degree in International Relations, and joined the Peace Corps, where he served in Senegal, West Africa. He received his Masters degree from Thunderbird Graduate School of International Management, and joined the Chase Manhattan Bank in the International Trade Division based in London, England.

After a number of years overseas, Béla returned to Arizona where he became a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), and the controller of various domestic businesses. He returned to the international field when he joined Garrett in 1985.

Béla was born in Budapest, Hungary, and grew up in Arizona. He is fluent in Hungarian, and French. In addition to his professional work, Bela taught finance, accounting and economics at the graduate and undergraduate levels for over 20 years, and has published articles on international economic analysis in various trade journals. As a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer (RPCV), he regularly participates in lobbying Congress to increase Peace Corps funding. He currently lives in Annapolis, where he enjoys kayaking in the Chesapeake Bay.

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY



BIOGRAPHY

Tracy J. Minnifield

CURRENT ASSIGNMENT: Mr. Minnifield currently serves as Deputy Director, Munitions Licensing, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, Defense Technology Security Administration (DTSA). Leading a staff of senior licensing analysts, Mr. Minnifield advises the Director, Licensing on day-to-day International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) licensing matters adjudicated by the Department of Defense. He is also responsible for leading a team of senior analysts in formulating the Department's recommendations regarding proposed regulatory rule changes to the ITAR, adjudicating commodity jurisdiction requests, reviewing voluntary disclosures and leading DTSA's collaboration with the Departments of State and Justice on export compliance and enforcement matters.

PAST EXPERIENCE: Mr. Minnifield served as the Director of Management, Defense Technology Security Administration from March 2009 to March 2012 where he was responsible for the agency's financial, acquisition, human capital, information technology and security operations. From 2008 to 2009, he served as Division Chief, Dual-Use Licensing, where he supervised the Department's adjudication of export license applications referred by the Department of Commerce. From 2001 to 2008, Mr. Minnifield served as a senior licensing analyst at DTSA, Dual-Use Division and also represented the Defense at Department of Commerce-chaired Operating Committee Meetings. In addition, he served as the senior advisor to the Director, Defense Technology Security Administration when complex export transactions were escalated to the Assistant Secretary level Advisory Committee on Export Policy.

EDUCATION: Master of Arts, Central Michigan University; Bachelor of Arts University of Maryland University College; graduate Harvard Kennedy School of Government, "Senior Managers in Government;" graduate Federal Executive Institute, "Leadership for a Democratic Society." Mr. Minnifield served in the United States Air Force and retired in 2000 after 20-years of service.

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C. Edward Peartree

Ed Peartree has served as Director of Defense Trade Controls Policy (DTCP) at the Department of State since August 2013. DTCP manages revisions to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations, the interagency Commodity Jurisdiction process, and global end-use monitoring of U.S. defense exports. DTCP also has had primary responsibility for implementation of Export Control Reform for the State Department, and provides policy and regulatory guidance to U.S. government agencies, defense exporters and foreign allies. Prior to his current assignment, Mr. Peartree was Chief of Research and Analysis in the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls where he oversaw the “Blue Lantern” end-use monitoring program, and supervised research, analysis and intelligence support for the export of U.S. weapons and military technologies. He previously served as a senior policy officer in the Bureau of Political Military Affairs where he worked on U.S. efforts to mitigate the global illicit trade in small arms and light weapons. Since joining government service as a Presidential Management Fellow in 1997, he has also worked on arms control and non-proliferation policy and negotiations at the State Department, and served as an analyst in the Office of Net Assessment at the Department of Defense. He was previously a Research Associate at the Center for Strategic and International Studies where he was a contributing author and co-editor (with Ryan Henry) of *The Information Revolution and International Security* (CSIS Press, 1997). He is a distinguished graduate of National Defense University’s Industrial College of the Armed Forces, and holds a BA from Johns Hopkins University and MA from George Washington University’s Elliott School of International Affairs.

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Robert graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1979 with a B.S. degree in Industrial Management. Robert began his federal career in September 1982 with the Social Security Administration as a Benefits Authorizer at the Program Service Center in Birmingham, AL. In 1987, Robert began as a Customs inspector with the U.S. Customs Service in Pascagoula, MS. In 1991, Robert was promoted to Senior Customs Inspector at the Port of Huntsville, AL. He worked with state, local and other federal agencies conducting investigations.

In 1999, Robert began working as a Program Officer in the Outbound Programs at U.S. Customs Service Headquarters. He was responsible for the Currency program and budget. In 2000, Robert took over all Exodus related issues, Foreign Military Sales, OFAC Sanctions and Embargoes, Liaison to Other Government agencies, DEA, DOD, and ATF, Exodus Training at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Exodus Handbooks, GAO/OIG Audits updates, the Accountability Reports, the Strategic Plan, and overall program management of the Automated Export System.

In 2004 Robert transferred to the Office of International Affairs to work with the World Bank and the Department of State on improving the customs processing procedures in Southeast Europe. He has also worked on the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, overseeing the development and implementation of the Air rule, and he worked in Preclearance Operations until January 2009.

In 2009 Robert returned to the Outbound Enforcement Division as the Outbound Enforcement and Policies Branch Chief to work on re-establishing outbound enforcement for CBP, working on the President's Export Control Reform Initiative, the National Export Initiative, the development of a pre-departure electronic export manifest, and the development of the Foreign Military Sales program.

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Debbie Shaffer is the Manager of the International Trade department of L3 Communications Mission Integration Division (L3 MI) in Greenville, Texas, part of L3 Technologies. She joined L3 in May 2014 and oversees the import/export operation in the largest facility in the L3 family of business units. L3 MI's core business is integrating intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance systems onto various airborne platforms, both DCS and FMS, serving a worldwide customer base with a primary focus on the United States military.

Before joining L3, Debbie spent 25 years at Southwest Research Institute (SwRI) in San Antonio, TX, a non-profit research and development company working in nearly every category of the USML. While at SwRI, Debbie handled not only export licensing and compliance, but also immigration activities.

A native Texan, Debbie is a *Summa Cum Laude* graduate of the University of the Incarnate Word with a degree in Organizational Psychology. She is currently serving a 5th term on the DTAG. Her favorite activity is spending time with any of her five grandchildren.

Arthur Shulman
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Arthur Shulman joined the Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (DTCC) at the U.S. State Department in 2011. He currently serves as the acting director of the office, in addition to leading DTCC's Policy and Operations team. He oversees development and implementation of policy and procedures to facilitate effective civil enforcement of and general compliance with the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) and its implementing International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR). He manages adjudication of voluntary and directed disclosures and implementation of administrative settlements. Mr. Shulman lectures at various conferences and other venues to educate U.S. Government officials, the defense industry, and the public on ITAR compliance and industry best practices. Prior to joining the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Mr. Shulman was a senior research associate and general counsel at the Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Arms Control, a non-profit, non-partisan organization which uncovers and publicizes dangerous export transactions and works to improve export control systems. Mr. Shulman received a Bachelor of Arts in History and International Relations from Tulane University, a Master of Science in International Relations from the London School of Economics and a Juris Doctor from the George Washington University Law School.

Our speaker will be HSI Special Agent Joe Skidmore who is currently serving as a Program Manager assigned to the EXODUS Command Center and the Export Enforcement Coordination Center (E2C2). The Exodus Command Center is the single point of contact for Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agents and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers to obtain operational case support from national export licensing authorities and case support for the deconfliction of investigative targets. The E2C2 is a focal point for law enforcement agencies to coordinate and enhance export investigations, serve as a conduit to the Intelligence Community and licensing agencies, coordinate national outreach efforts, and establish integrated government-wide statistical tracking and targeting capabilities to support export enforcement. He also serves as the HSI liaison to the Department of State.

For the past 14 years, Agent Skidmore has been investigating persons whom attempt to acquire and illegally export some of the United States' most critical military technology. Many of these cases involve coordination with other HSI offices, federal agencies, foreign law enforcement and contributions from industry partners. Agent Skidmore monitors and coordinates investigative efforts of the field and around the globe in an effort to prevent illicit procurement networks, terrorist groups and hostile nations from illegally obtaining United States military products, sensitive dual-use technology, weapons of mass destruction, or chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear materials.

Agent Skidmore began his law enforcement career in 1999 with the U.S. Border Patrol assigned to the Nogales, AZ office. In 2003, Agent Skidmore was hired by the U.S. Customs Service and stationed in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He is currently assigned to the National Security Investigations Division, Counter Proliferation Investigations at HSI Headquarters.

Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Richard Weir – Richard “Rick” Weir is the Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of The Department of Commerce’s, Bureau of Industry and Security, Office of Export Enforcement, Los Angeles Office. In that role, he is responsible for the protection and promotion of U.S. national security and foreign policy objectives in his assigned area of responsibility. He supervises a highly specialized law enforcement office that is focused on deterring the proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, missile delivery systems, and the diversion of dual-use goods to unauthorized military end-uses, terrorists and state sponsors of terror. The Los Angeles Office is responsible for investigating violations in Southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Southern Nevada, and Hawaii.

SAC Weir joined the Office of Export Enforcement in 2001 and has served previously as the Assistant Special Agent in Charge and as a Field Agent in Los Angeles. Prior to coming to OEE he was a U.S. Customs Inspector in the Port of Long Beach/Los Angeles where he spent all four years on the Outbound Enforcement Team. Rick's 28 years of federal service include 10 years in the U.S. Navy serving in Operations and Law Enforcement. Rick also served as a member of the California Army National Guard where he served in a Military Intelligence Battalion.