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OVERVIEW

As a Managing Director with Guidepost Solutions' Monitoring, Compliance, and Investigations practice, Krista Tongring oversees a variety of compliance engagements, monitorships, and investigatory matters, and plays a prominent role in the Controlled Substances Act (CSA)/Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) DEA compliance practice. She brings a vast background of investigative, governmental, regulatory, and compliance experience to Guidepost, which allows her to provide clients with personalized, thorough, and dedicated solutions.

Before joining Guidepost, Ms. Tongring served for more than 20 years with the U.S. Department of Justice as a federal prosecutor and attorney at the Drug Enforcement Administration. In her last position prior to leaving DEA, she served as the Acting Section Chief in the newly formed Office of Compliance. In that role, she led policy discussions and developed strategies to implement new and revised policies. She worked to establish a more efficient policy review process using an electronic workflow and centralized policy website.

Prior to her role as Acting Section Chief, Ms. Tongring served as a Senior Attorney for the DEA Diversion and Regulatory Litigation Section. In addition to litigating administrative actions, she supervised investigations to ensure compliance with the Controlled Substances Act, and coordinated with DEA investigators, gathered evidence, conducted witness interviews, and prepared litigation recommendations.

Ms. Tongring spent a significant portion of her career as a federal prosecutor first in the criminal enforcement side of the Tax Division and then in the Criminal Division, Organized Crime and Gang Section (OCGS). In these roles, she investigated and prosecuted complex criminal matters, including racketeering, money laundering, abusive trust and other tax matters, international organized crime, criminal asset forfeiture, and violations of the Bank Secrecy Act. While a member of OCGS, Ms. Tongring also served as Associate Counsel to DOJ's International Organized Crime

Intelligence and Operations Center (IOC-2) where she represented the agency in high-level meetings with members of law enforcement, intelligence agencies, and global law enforcement agencies.

During her lengthy career in federal service Ms. Tongring received numerous awards for her work, including the Assistant Attorney General's Award for Outstanding Trial Advocacy, the Tax Division Outstanding Attorney Award, a Special Achievement Award, and numerous Performance Awards. She was also named an honorary IRS-CI Special Agent by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division for her work on a particularly complex abuse trust tax case.

SOLUTIONS

Controlled Substances Compliance
Investigations + Business Intelligence
Litigation Support
Risk + Compliance
Financial Crime Consulting
Monitorships
Corporate
Transactional Monitoring - Divestiture + Anti-Trust
Institutional Integrity

EXPERIENCE

At Guidepost, some of Ms. Tongring's key engagements include:

- The assessment, evaluation, and enhancement of the Controlled Substances Monitoring Program for the Nation's largest privately held full-line wholesale drug distributor.
- The management of several federal antitrust monitorships.
- Support physical security assessments for large institutional clients
- Conduct investigations into physical, cyber, and other types of harassment of individual and institutional clients.
- The pre-acquisition assessment and post-acquisition remediation of all controlled substances protocols for a publicly traded DEA-registered controlled substances reverse distributor.
- The assessment, evaluation, and DEA regulatory gap analysis of a publicly traded manufacturer of controlled substances.
- Providing expert witness services to a large DEA-registered distributor.
- Assist clients seeking DEA registrations (in various registration categories) with the application process, including but not limited to the development of DEA-compliant policies and procedures, physical security assessment and evaluation, and facilitation of the DEA inspection process.

EDUCATION

- Juris Doctor, Seton Hall University School of Law, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, Providence College, *Magna Cum Laude*