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OVERVIEW

Scot R. Rittenberg brings a wealth of experience to the Immigration and Border Services practice at Guidepost Solutions, with an additional focus on export controls and BSA/AML consulting. He served for more than thirty years as a Special Agent with the Department of Homeland Security and the United States Customs Service. He operated as the second in command of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR). During his tenure, OPR created and implemented an expedited contractor preliminary clearance process for critical agency contracts; developed and implemented the agency's Insider Threat Program that successfully identified individuals attempting to exploit both physical and logical access vulnerabilities; established a threat management process; and increased the success rate of timely and thorough misconduct investigations.

Mr. Rittenberg has extensive experience in border security; smuggling; intellectual property rights; national security matters; and transnational criminal organizations. His assignments included land borders, international airports, and seaports. He led multiple investigations into the smuggling of non-taxed cigarettes into the U.S. via cross-border Native American reservations, the smuggling of grey market export only cigarettes into the U.S. from Europe, as well as the distribution of counterfeit cigarettes. These investigations utilized multiple techniques including intelligence collection, undercover operations, and partnership with industry leaders.

Mr. Rittenberg has held a number of key leadership positions within ICE and the U.S. Customs Service, to include Deputy Associate Director for OPR; Division Director of OPR Investigations; Homeland Security Investigations Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Washington, DC, field office; Deputy Special Agent in Charge of the Washington, DC, field office; Acting SAC of the Baltimore field office; Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Baltimore; Chief of Staff for the headquarters Office of Investigations; Interim Chief of the headquarters' Contraband Smuggling Unit; and Interim Treasury Liaison for the U.S. Customs Service.

SOLUTIONS

Immigration + Border Services

Federal Procurement

Trade Compliance

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice, Northeastern University, *magna cum laude*
- Criminal Investigator Training Program, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, *honor graduate*