

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement



Ronald D. Vitiello Deputy Director and Senior Official Performing the Duties of Director

Ronald D. Vitiello is the Deputy Director and Senior Official Performing the Duties of Director for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). On August 6, 2018, President Donald J. Trump nominated him to serve as the next ICE Director. His nomination is currently pending in the U.S. Senate.

As ICE's senior leader, Mr. Vitiello oversees a workforce of more than 20,000 officers, special agents, attorneys, and mission support professionals with a budget of over \$7 billion. During his time as Deputy Director, Mr. Vitiello has made it a top priority to meet with front line personnel in the field and ensure that employees are heard and supported. He has actively engaged with interagency partners and community stakeholders to promote the importance of ICE's homeland security and public safety missions.

Prior to joining ICE, Mr. Vitiello served for more than 30 years with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the U.S. Border Patrol – most recently as CBP's Acting Deputy Commissioner. In that role, he assisted the Commissioner overseeing 60,000 employees, managing a budget of over \$13 billion, and ensuring the effective operations of CBP's efforts to protect national security while promoting economic prosperity and security.

Mr. Vitiello began his career in Laredo, Texas, entering on duty with the Border Patrol in 1985, a member of Class 174. Throughout his career, he has held numerous leadership positions, including Chief Patrol Agent positions in Swanton, Vermont, and the Rio Grande Valley of Texas. He was named Chief of the U.S. Border Patrol in February 2017 and was selected to serve as CBP's Acting Deputy Commissioner later that same year.

Mr. Vitiello was one of the key contributors to the unification of CBP and the creation of the Department of Homeland Security.

Mr. Vitiello is married with two children and a native of Chicago, Illinois.