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Ms. Fenton is the Associate Director of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR), an ICE directorate of more than 600 employees nationwide who uphold ICE's professional standards through a multi-disciplinary approach of security, inspections, and investigations to promote organizational health, integrity, and accountability across the agency. In this capacity, she provides executive-level oversight for OPR's three program offices — Security, Inspections, and Investigations — and manages an annual budget of approximately \$200 million.

Prior to assuming these roles, Ms. Fenton was OPR's Deputy Associate Director, where she led strategic planning initiatives and championed employee engagement to foster innovation and drive the organization forward. In this role, she oversaw enterprise-wide reviews of every OPR program office to modernize and enhance their effectiveness, improve customer service and accountability, and increase programmatic transparency for the benefit of the ICE workforce.

Ms. Fenton joined OPR in 2015 as the Assistant Director of Inspections and was responsible for ensuring that ICE's immigration detention facilities, certified undercover operations, and field office and headquarters programs were independently reviewed to assess their ongoing compliance with DHS, ICE, and program-specific policies and procedures. She also directed the development of the ICE's Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Audit program. Prior to joining OPR in 2015, she served as the Chief of Staff and Deputy Chief of Staff in the Office of the ICE Deputy Director.

Ms. Fenton began her career with ICE in 2007 in the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, where she served in several capacities, including as the Chief of the Enforcement and Removal Operations Law Division. In that role, she led a division of experienced attorneys who provided advice and counsel to ERO and HSI on a variety of matters. Ms. Fenton is a member of the Senior Executive Service and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Government and Politics from George Mason University and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Virginia School of Law.