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Mr. Hudgens is the Assistant Director for the Office of Firearms and Tactical Programs (OFTP) within U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). In this capacity, Mr. Hudgens is responsible for strategic planning, national policy implementation and the development and execution of OFTP's mission. OFTP provides specialized firearms and tactical training, as well as all equipment, support and guidance necessary to promote both officer and public safety while enabling effective execution of the ICE law enforcement mission.

Mr. Hudgens began his federal law enforcement career in 1998 as a special agent with the former U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service in Miami, Florida; later the HSI Miami Field Office. Over the past 22 years, Mr. Hudgens has served as a special agent, section chief, supervisory special agent, interim assistant special agent in charge, special response team commander, and senior national security liaison.

Mr. Hudgens has received numerous commendations throughout his career, including the National Tactical Officers Association's Unit Citation for Valor, the ICE Assistant Secretary's Award for Courage and Valor, U.S. Attorney's Office Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award, and the Commissioner's Meritorious Service Award.

Mr. Hudgens began his law enforcement career in 1994 with the City of Portsmouth, VA Police Department and served as a patrol officer, field training officer, and criminal investigator. Mr. Hudgens is a retired non-commissioned officer with 23-years of combined active duty and reserve service in the U.S. Navy and U.S. Army.