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Assistant General Counsel (National Security Law)

Ms. Madison is the Assistant General Counsel (National Security Law) (AGC (NSL)) for the Department of the Navy (DON). Ms. Madison is the principal legal advisor to the Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy. She is also responsible for managing and directing intelligence law and national security matters within the framework of applicable Department of Defense (DoD) and DON policy and legal requirements as set forth by the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Navy and the General Counsel of the Navy, in coordination with the Office of the Judge Advocate General. Ms. Madison's duties encompass all aspects of providing advice and counsel on intelligence law matters and classified national security issues, to include Special Access Programs. She ensures that DON intelligence and intelligence-related activities are conducted in accordance with law, regulation and policy. She assists the General Counsel and Principal Deputy General Counsel in performing their intelligence oversight responsibilities. Ms. Madison also provides advice and counsel to senior intelligence and national security officials within the DON. She oversees the work of the Counsel for the Office of Naval Intelligence; Counsel, Special Projects Division; and Counsel, U.S. Fleet Cyber Command, among others, in providing legal advice and support to Navy and non-Navy activities. She is a member of the DON's Office of the General Counsel Executive Steering Group.

Ms. Madison began her legal career with the Office of the General Counsel, Department of the Navy in 1993, with the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), where she provided legal counsel to program managers, contracting officers, and other senior NAVSEA officials responsible for the design and construction of ships. Highlights included serving as the lead program attorney for various shipbuilding programs, including the SEAWOLF Class Submarine (SSN 21, 22 & 23) and the ARLEIGH BURKE Class Destroyer (DDG 51). In addition, she provided legal support to the DD 21 competitive source selection and the DDG 51 multi-year procurement, and advised on various fiscal issues regarding the SEAWOLF cost cap, the spin-off of a major nuclear shipbuilder from its parent corporation, and the Amphibious Transport Dock Class (LPD 17) lead ship design and construction protest. In 2001, Ms. Madison served as Associate Counsel with the Special Projects Division. In this role, she was the lead program attorney for multiple, highly sensitive programs, including a joint international program and a national program. She also supported senior Navy officials who were tasked with intelligence responsibilities and managing classified program and mission requirements. She received the Department of the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award in 2008. In 2010, Ms. Madison served as Associate Counsel, AGC (Intelligence), where she reviewed sensitive matters including defense sensitive support transactions, programmatic matters involving signature reduction methodologies, acquisition matters, and fiscal issues. In 2017, Ms. Madison was selected to be

the Deputy AGC (Intelligence), providing legal and business advice on a full range of issues and supervising civilian attorneys located in a Headquarters office and field offices. Ms. Madison was selected to join the Senior Executive Service in September 2018.

Ms. Madison graduated from James Madison University in 1985, and received her Juris Doctor degree from the University of Richmond's T.C. Williams School of Law in 1991.