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## MARY RYAN APPOINTED AS TTB ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR FIELD OPERATIONS

Washington, D.C. – The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) Administrator, John Manfreda, has announced the appointment of Mary Ryan as Assistant Administrator for Field Operations (AAFO). As Assistant Administrator for Field Operations, Ms. Ryan is responsible for overseeing the field offices. including taxpayer audits and investigations, and the National Revenue Center, which is responsible for collecting \$15 billion in revenue annually. Ms. Ryan also serves as the "Deciding Official" for all tax and administrative actions related to unpaid tax liability and violations of applicable statutes and regulations.

Prior to her appointment as AAFO, Ms. Ryan served as the Bureau's Deputy Chief Counsel.

Ms. Ryan started her career with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) Office of Chief Counsel in 1991 as an attorney in the Litigation division in Washington, DC. Prior to becoming Deputy Chief Counsel for TTB, Ms. Ryan was the Deputy Associate Chief Counsel in the Alcohol and Tobacco Legal Division for ATF. She served as a student law clerk for the late Honorable John Lewis Smith of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

Ms. Ryan graduated from Georgetown University in 1987, earning an A.B. in English and Theology. She continued her studies at the Georgetown University Law Center where she earned a J.D. in 1990.

Ms. Ryan was born in Indiana and was raised in Indiana and southern California. She is an avid animal lover and enjoys reading and hiking.

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