



DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT
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MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS
DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOW FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Roles Assigned to the Director of Administration and Management and Director of Oversight and Compliance

The Secretary of War's October 16, 2025 memorandum, "Office of Net Assessment and Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of War for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency," directed the functional realignment of the Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of War for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency (ATSW(PCLT)) under the Director of Administration and Management (DA&M). I have assessed this realignment and identified the need to retitle the ATSW(PCLT) and clarify roles and responsibilities. Effective immediately, the ATSW(PCLT) is redesignated as the Director of Oversight and Compliance (DO&C). Except as noted below, the DO&C reports to the DA&M. This memorandum clarifies certain roles of the former ATSW(PCLT) as follows:

Pursuant to the Secretary's October 16, 2025 memorandum, I will serve as:

- DoW Regulatory Policy Officer, pursuant to Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review," as amended;
- DoW Chief Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(j); and
- DoW Privacy and Civil Liberties Officer, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000ee-1, and Chief Privacy Officer, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000ee-2.

In addition, as the DoW Chief FOIA Officer, I exercise the authority delegated in the Deputy Secretary of Defense's May 31, 2024 memorandum, "Delegation of Authority to Exempt Certain Information from Disclosure Pursuant to Title 10, U.S. Code, Sections 130e and 2254a."

The DO&C is designated as the DoW Senior Intelligence Oversight Official (SIOO), pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 430c. In the role of SIOO, the DO&C shall have direct access to the Secretary of War or Deputy Secretary of War, as circumstances require. The DO&C will have the authorities and responsibilities of the ATSW(PCLT) and ATSW(Intelligence Oversight) in DoD Directive 5148.11, "Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Intelligence Oversight (ATSD(IO))," April 24, 2013, as amended, and the Deputy Secretary of Defense's September 1, 2021 memorandum, "Disestablishment of the Chief Management Officer, Realignment of Functions and Responsibilities, and Related Issues," related to intelligence oversight matters.

Furthermore, consistent with the Secretary of War's October 16, 2025 memorandum, and subject to the change of title above, the DO&C will continue to serve as:

- DoW Senior Agency Official for Privacy, pursuant to Executive Order 13719, "Establishment of the Federal Privacy Council," and the Office of Management and Budget September 15, 2016 memorandum, "M-16-24 Role and Designation of Senior Agency Officials for Privacy";
- Chair of the Defense Data Integrity Board, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552a(u);
- FOIA appellate authority for the Office of the Secretary of War (OSW), the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Combatant Commands, and designated DoW Agencies and Field Activities for requests that were denied under 5 U.S.C. § 552 and with respect to other adverse determinations under that section; and
- Privacy Act Access and Amendment appellate authority for the OSW, the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Combatant Commands when an individual is denied access to, or amendment of records covered by 5 U.S.C. § 552a.

Additionally, the DO&C is authorized to approve and submit all routine deliverables related to the designations assigned to the DA&M (e.g., Annual FOIA Report pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(e)(1), the DoW Chief FOIA Officer Report pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(j)(2)(D) and general notices for publication in the Federal Register).

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