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Photo of the week: President Trump reviews executive orders in the Oval Office on first day of new administration.

Weekly Update and Analysis

January 24, 2025

Brooks Bawden Moore's Weekly Update and Analysis highlights congressional, administrative, and regulatory activity related to justice, public safety, and homeland security. Feel free to reach out to us if you would like to discuss any items described in the update. Additionally, please feel free to distribute this product as you see fit.

Exciting Announcement! Melissa Nee Promoted to Partner

To BBM's Clients and Friends:

We are thrilled to share some exciting news from our team! Melissa Nee, who has been an integral part of our firm for five years, has been promoted to Partner. This milestone reflects her exceptional contributions, leadership, and unwavering commitment to advancing our clients' missions.

Since joining BBM in 2019, Melissa has consistently gone above and beyond to deliver outstanding results, whether it's shaping legislative strategies or navigating complex and rapidly developing policy challenges. She is known for building trusted relationships on Capitol Hill, with the executive branch, and among the broad network of stakeholder groups that influence the business and policy objectives of our clients. If you have worked with Melissa, there's a very good chance you've recognized that her passion, expertise, dedication, and trustworthiness are truly unique.

As a Partner, Melissa will play an even greater role in steering the firm's vision and driving strategies that ensure BBM continues to provide a high level of service and value to all of our clients, collaborators, and friends.

We are excited about what the future holds and grateful to have such an outstanding individual helping to lead the way forward. Please join us in congratulating Melissa!

BBM is Hiring: Full Time Consultant Position

Brooks Bawden Moore, LLC (BBM) is hiring! Are you passionate about public safety technology? Have you served as a senior executive in a public safety agency? Do you have experience in the private sector helping to position high-quality products and services in the public safety market that help agencies achieve their missions *more* effectively, *more* efficiently, and *more* safely? Are you motivated by building and maintaining a broad network of trusted relationships? We would love to hear from you.

BBM is seeking candidates for a full-time Consultant position. We are a government relations consulting firm whose mission is to support public safety. Our policy work helps public safety practitioners advocate for supportive policies and programs. Our consulting work helps connect innovative products and services to front line personnel to help them do their jobs as safely, effectively, and efficiently as possible.

Key Responsibilities:

- Lead collaborative efforts with cross-functional teams to craft compelling product advocacy strategies.
- Conduct strategic outreach in support of business development efforts for corporate clients;
- Represent clients' interests in meetings with local, state, and federal agency officials and industry stakeholders;
- Provide expert guidance on law enforcement and public safety policies to corporate clients;
- Analyze current trends in law enforcement technology and practices to inform client recommendations;
- Assist clients in navigating procurement procedures for law enforcement equipment, technology, and services;

Qualifications:

- Minimum 10 years of progressive experience in public safety, with at least 5 years in an executive or executive position;
- Business development or consulting experience in the private sector, particularly in areas related to law enforcement and public safety;
- In-depth understanding of government procurement procedures and contract processes;
- Strong knowledge of federal, state, and local public safety policies and regulations;
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the proven ability to build and maintain relationships with diverse stakeholders;

- Proven track record of developing and implementing successful public safety initiatives.

Preferred Skills:

- Proven ability to cultivate and leverage professional relationships across:
 - Law enforcement agencies
 - Local, state, and federal government organizations
 - Public safety professional associations at the state and national levels
 - Private sector security organizations
 - Technology vendors
 - Policy-making circles at municipal, county, state, or federal levels.

Preferred Network Attributes:

- Extensive connections within:
 - Federal, state, and local law enforcement communities;
 - Public safety technology providers;
 - Government procurement departments;
 - Emergency response and emergency management organizations;
 - Homeland security organizations.

Starting salary range is between 175k and 200k, commensurate with experience, with excellent opportunity to grow.

The position can be based anywhere in the continental United States. BBM's headquarters office is in downtown Washington, DC.

Frequent travel within the United States should be expected.

If you are interested, please send a cover letter, resume, and list of references to info@bbm-dc.com by February 16th, 2025.

[Download the job flyer here](#)

What Happened This Week?

President Trump's first week back in office was marked by a whirlwind of activity, including the signing of significant executive orders and major personnel announcements, setting the tone for his administration's agenda.

In his [inaugural address](#), President Trump emphasized the need for stronger measures against illegal immigration, enhanced border security, and efforts to combat transnational crime. Shortly thereafter, he signed a series of executive orders to implement these priorities. These actions included pausing refugee admissions, declaring a [national emergency](#) and [authorizing a military presence](#) at the southern border, reinstating the "Remain in Mexico" policy, resuming border wall construction, designating [drug cartels as foreign terrorist organizations](#), enhancing [vetting and screening procedures](#) for immigrants, expanding detention capacity, and [restarting the 287\(g\) program](#) to enable collaboration between local law enforcement and federal immigration efforts. Additionally, the President directed the Attorney General and Secretary of Homeland Security to assess and implement measures ensuring that ["sanctuary jurisdictions"](#) are ineligible for federal funding. A summary of these actions can be reviewed [\[here\]](#).

Beyond immigration, President Trump signed executive orders addressing the federal workforce, [artificial intelligence, cryptocurrency](#), and the [death penalty](#). He also issued a slate of pardons, including more than [1,500 full pardons](#) for individuals convicted of crimes related to the events of January 6, 2021. A comprehensive rundown of these executive actions is available [\[here\]](#).

Trump also signed executive actions to revoke a series of Biden administration policies, including a proposed ban on [menthol cigarettes](#) and flavored cigars and other public safety orders. You can read more about these [\[here\]](#).

Meanwhile, Republican Senators are working to confirm President Trump's cabinet nominees, with plans to extend votes into the weekend if necessary. By Thursday afternoon, only two of Trump's top nominees—Secretary of

State [Marco Rubio](#) and CIA Director [John Ratcliffe](#)—had been confirmed. Updates on the confirmation process, including nominees for positions such as Attorney General, FBI Director, and Secretary of Homeland Security, can be found [\[here\]](#). In the interim, President Trump announced acting [appointments for key roles](#), including [Benjamin Huffman](#) as Acting Secretary of Homeland Security, [James McHenry](#) as Acting Attorney General, Stacey Dixon as Acting Director of National Intelligence, [Brian Driscoll](#) as Acting Director of the FBI, Caleb Vitello as Acting Director of ICE, and [Derek Maltz](#) as Acting Administrator of the DEA. The President also formalized several sub-cabinet appointments, and a full list is available [\[here\]](#).

Congress has been active as well. Both the House and Senate passed the [Laken Riley Act](#), the first legislation of the new Congress, which now awaits President Trump's signature. The act mandates that the Department of Homeland Security detain migrants who have entered the U.S. unlawfully if they are arrested for or charged with specific crimes, including theft, assaulting law enforcement officers, and other offenses resulting in bodily harm. A detailed summary of the legislation can be found [\[here\]](#). At the same time, appropriators are negotiating an initial agreement on defense and non-defense spending levels for FY 2025. These discussions aim to set the stage for finalizing the 12 annual government funding bills ahead of the March 14 government funding deadline. More details are available [\[here\]](#).

BBM Blog Posts of the Week

BBM posts timely updates on topics of interest to the public safety community. Please explore this week's blog posts below and click on any topic that interests you to stay updated. Email a member of the BBM team today to get our blog content delivered directly to your inbox.

- [The Hill: "President Trump teases executive order overhauling or nixing FEMA"](#)
- [Menthol Cigarette Ban Proposal Nixed by Trump Administration](#)
- [Trump's Cabinet Set for Confirmation Votes](#)
- [University of Chicago Crime Lab Policing Leadership Academy](#)
- [ICYMI – The Hill: "Senate confirms John Ratcliffe as Trump's CIA director"](#)

- [Acting Cabinet and Cabinet-Level Positions](#)
- [White House Presidential Action: "RESTORING THE DEATH PENALTY AND PROTECTING PUBLIC SAFETY"](#)
- [Trump Scraps Biden's AI Order](#)
- [POLITICO: "Trump issues sweeping pardons for Jan. 6 rioters"](#)

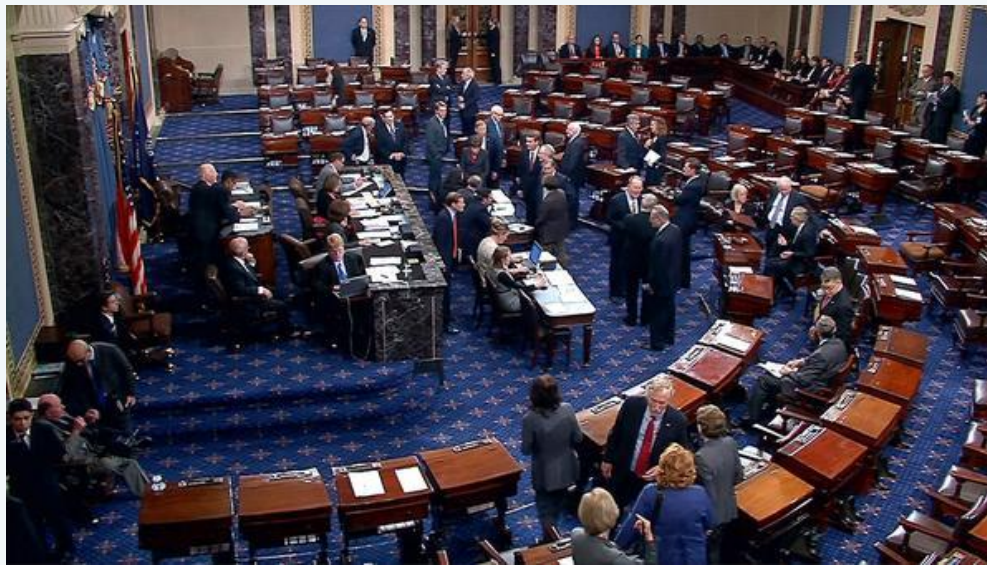
- [Executive Order Highlights](#)
- [Trump Takes Action on AI & Cryptocurrency](#)
- [POLITICO: "Senate Judiciary chair launches investigation into New Orleans, Las Vegas attacks"](#)
- [POLITICO: "Bipartisan funding negotiations begin in Congress ahead of March shutdown cliff"](#)
- [Appropriators Seek Top-Line Deal Within Days](#)
- [House Passes Laken Riley Act, Sending Bill to President Trump's Desk](#)
- [Trump Taps Head of Security Detail as Secret Service Director](#)
- [ICYMI: Derek S. Maltz Appointed to Lead U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration](#)
- [DOJ Initiates Investigations Into States and Localities Resisting Immigration Policies](#)
- [Trump's Day One Immigration Executive Orders: A Quick Summary](#)
- [House Composition](#)
- [Presidential Proclamation Declaring Southern Border Crisis an "Invasion" Under Constitution](#)
- [Executive Order on Designating Drug Cartels as Foreign Terrorist Organizations](#)
- [Executive Order on Enhanced National Security Screening and Vetting of Foreign Nationals](#)
- [Executive Order on Immigration Enforcement and Federal-State Cooperation \(References Sanctuary Jurisdictions & 287\(g\) Agreements\)](#)

- [Trump Administration Issues Federal Hiring Freeze with National Security/Public Safety Exemptions](#)
- [Trump Plans to Enact 25% Tariffs on Mexico, Canada](#)
- [White House: "INITIAL RESCISSIONS OF HARMFUL EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND ACTIONS"](#)
- [Senate Confirms Rubio to Serve as Secretary of State](#)
- [The Hill: "Senate passes Laken Riley Act in first move after Trump inauguration"](#)
- [Noem Takes Step Toward Confirmation](#)
- [Trump DOJ Alum Bacon Said to Be Acting Criminal Head](#)
- [Axios: "Senate panel OKs John Ratcliffe as Trump's CIA director"](#)
- [AP News: "Vivek Ramaswamy will not serve in Trump's new Department of Government Efficiency, the White House says"](#)
- [ABC News: Acting Leader Named for Homeland Security](#)
- [FBI Acting Director](#)
- [POLITICO: "Trump taps longtime immigration official as acting attorney general"](#)
- [AP: "Trump ends CBP One, a Biden-era border app that gave legal entry to nearly 1 million migrants"](#)
- [Trump Outlines Border Priorities in Inaugural Address: Emergency Declaration, Cartel Designation, and Immigration Crackdown](#)

- [Executive Order on Securing U.S. Borders \(Details on Federal-State-Local Cooperation\)](#)
- [Trump Declares National Emergency at Southern Border](#)
- [Trump Announces Sub-Cabinet Appointments](#)

- [Punchbowl – New Details on President Trump's Priorities](#)
- [Trump Plans Executive Action Designed To Close Border](#)

Floor Activity



Senate

[S. 5- Laken Riley Act](#)

House of Representatives

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This bill requires the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to detain certain non-U.S. nationals (aliens under federal law) who have been arrested for burglary, theft, larceny, or shoplifting. The bill also authorizes states to sue the federal government for decisions or alleged failures related to immigration enforcement.

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Confirmation of Marco Rubio to be Secretary of State

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Confirmation of John Ratcliffe to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency

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Congressional Hearings



Hearings This Past Week

Wednesday, January 22

- House Homeland Security Committee- *Unconstrained Actors: Assessing Global Cyber Threats to the Homeland*
- Subcommittee on Immigration Integrity, Security, and Enforcement (House Judiciary

Hearings Next Week

Thursday, January 30

- Senate Judiciary Committee- *Hearing to Examine the Nomination of Kashyap Patel to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice*

Committee)- *Restoring Immigration Enforcement in America*

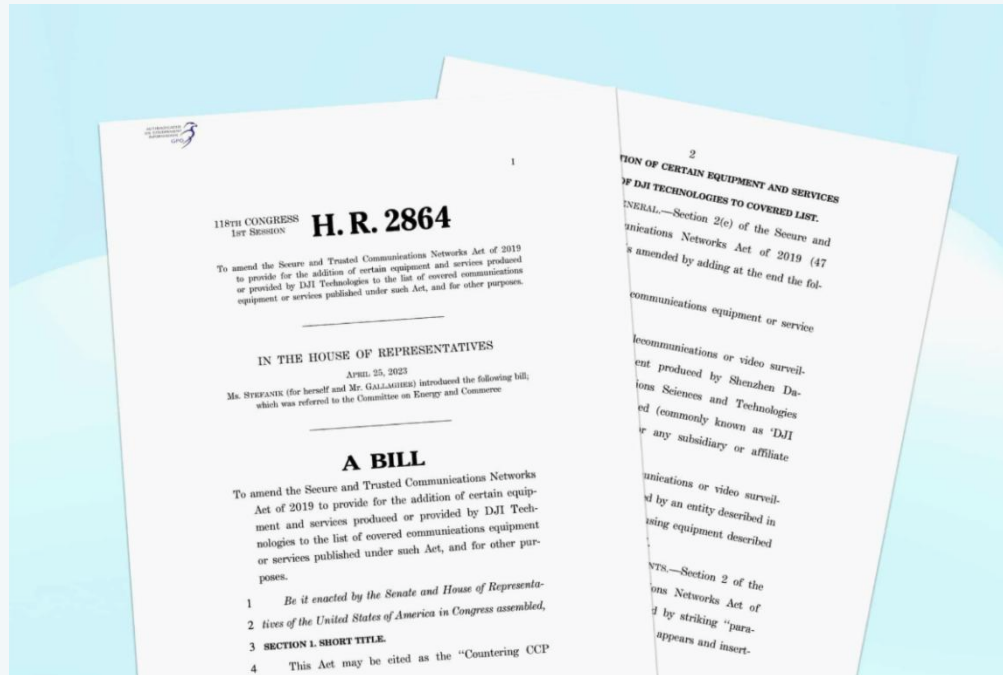
- Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee- *Hearing to Examine the Nomination of Sean Duffy to be Secretary of Transportation*
- Senate Budget Committee- *Hearing to Examine the Nomination of Russell Vought to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget*

Thursday, January 23

- Subcommittee on Communication and Technology (House Energy and Commerce Committee)- *Hearing on Strengthening American Leadership in Wireless Technology*

- Senate Intelligence Committee- *Hearing to Examine the Nomination of Tulsi Gabbard to be Director of National Intelligence*

New Bill Introductions



- BBM has compiled a list of this week's newly introduced legislation relevant to Justice, Public Safety, and Homeland Security in the 119th Congress. You can download the information as an Excel spreadsheet by clicking [here](#).

Congressional Calendar

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House and Senate
in Session



Senate in Session
Only



House in Session
Only



Federal Holidays

Community and Client News



Joint IACP-FOP Statement on the Recent Presidential Pardons

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) have had long standing and positive relationships with both President Trump and President Biden and have greatly appreciated their support of the policing profession. However, the IACP and FOP are deeply discouraged by the recent pardons and commutations granted by both the Biden and Trump Administrations to individuals convicted of killing or assaulting law enforcement officers. The IACP and FOP firmly believe that those convicted of such crimes should serve their full sentences.

Crimes against law enforcement are not just attacks on individuals or public safety — they are attacks on society and undermine the rule of law. Allowing those convicted of these crimes to be released early diminishes accountability and devalues the sacrifices made by courageous law enforcement officers and their families.

When perpetrators of crimes, especially serious crimes, are not held fully accountable, it sends a dangerous message that the consequences for attacking law enforcement are not severe, potentially emboldening others to commit similar acts of violence.

The IACP and FOP call on policymakers, judicial authorities, and community leaders to ensure that justice is upheld by enforcing full sentences, especially in cases involving violence against law enforcement. This approach reaffirms our commitment to the rule of law, public safety, and the protection of those who risk their lives for our communities.



CBOB Nomination Period Closing Soon

The nomination period for the [Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery](#) (CBOB) closes at 5:00 p.m. (ET) on Saturday, February 15, 2025.

Honor courageous law enforcement officers with the prestigious CBOB award, which recognizes federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement officers who have performed exceptional acts of bravery in the line of duty.

Read [past recipient stories](#) and review the [nomination guidelines](#) to help you write your nominations for this year's award.



Submit an IACP 2025 Workshop Proposal Today

IACP 2025 proposals are being accepted under the following topic areas:

- Community-Police Engagement
- Emerging Technology and Innovations in Policing
- Intersection of Public Health and Policing
- Officer Safety and Wellness
- Organizational Culture and Leadership
- Recruitment, Hiring, Retention, and Training
- Violent Crime, High-Profile Events, and Critical Incidents

Additional submission information, topics, and frequently asked questions may be found on the [conference website](#). All proposals must be completed via the online submission site.

Deadline for submissions is February 7, 2025.



Save the Date- FirstNet Users Summit
September 8-11, 2025
Indianapolis, Indiana

Robust Discussions with Public Safety Thought Leadership, Industry Leaders, and Hands-On Product Demonstrations to include: Customized Workshops highlighting FirstNet Cutting-Edge Innovations, Products, and Applications.

Targeted content for all FirstNet Eligible Users, Administrative Leadership, Unified Emergency Support Functionality, and their Technical Support Teams.

Primary and Extended Primary users include:

- First Responders
- Dispatch Communications
- Emergency Management
- Emergency Planning and Management Teams
- Local, State, and Federal Government

- and all Agencies and Services supporting First Responders (hospitals, transportation, public utilities, & other agencies who may provide critical support to an incident).





AT&T Providing Relief to Those Affected by California Fires

AT&T has been on the ground in California working with their customers who have been directly impacted by the fire. AT&T has provided critical relief and community resources. To learn more about these efforts, visit their website [here](#).



Update on the Work of the University of Chicago Crime Lab Policing Leadership Academy

Earlier this week, Ken Griffin's philanthropic and civic engagement initiative [Griffin Catalyst](#) , published a [feature story](#) that includes a [video](#) highlighting some of the nation's key voices on public safety.

The PLA is currently hosting its fourth cohort of 35 police leaders from cities across the U.S., including Louisville, Miami, Memphis, and Philadelphia. Over the next five months, participants will undergo rigorous, hands-on training in data-driven management, violence reduction, and building community trust.

To learn more about the University of Chicago Crime Lab's Policing Leadership Academy, click [here](#).



Career Special Agent Derek S. Maltz Appointed to Lead U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration

Press Release: The Trump Administration has announced the appointment of Derek S. Maltz as Acting Administrator of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. Maltz replaces Anne Milgram who departed the agency last week.

Maltz is a passionate, dedicated, career special agent who served 28 years at DEA before retiring in 2014. He also proudly served as the Chief of the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force, the country's oldest and largest drug task force. Most recently Maltz worked in the private sector.

Maltz is renowned for his relentless drive, strategic acumen, and no-nonsense approach. As DEA Acting Administrator, he is responsible for leading the enforcement, intelligence, regulatory, and awareness efforts of the agency.

During his career at DEA, Maltz spent nearly a decade leading DEA's Special Operations Division and transforming DEA's work with international law enforcement partners. His leadership will be instrumental in maintaining momentum as DEA continues to disrupt and dismantle the drug trafficking networks responsible for flooding the

United States with dangerous drugs such as fentanyl. Today, DEA's foreign footprint remains one of the largest among federal agencies.

"This appointment is the honor of my lifetime. I promise to lead the men and women of DEA with integrity and grit. DEA will continue to be relentless in our pursuit of the cartels who threaten this great nation," said DEA Acting Administrator Derek S. Maltz. "DEA is positioned to lead the nation's drug enforcement and intelligence efforts, working closely within the federal, state and local partners, to seize record amounts of illicit drugs; bring the world's most ruthless narco-terrorists to justice; and save American lives by creating a vast network of community partners to help spread critical awareness. We want every American to understand the threat we face and know exactly how DEA is working to protect you."

A proud public servant, Maltz has always put the safety and security of the American people above all else. One of Maltz' greatest attributes is his ability to bring people together to create a lasting impact. Maltz has worked closely with families affected by fentanyl to spread awareness, and he vows to use the resources of the federal government, along with our valued state and local partners, to further promote awareness efforts and turn the tide on the devastating drug crisis facing the United States.

While Maltz has long advocated for families, he has also been a champion of law enforcement's fight against global drug trafficking and terrorism. In 2023, Maltz testified at the United States House Judiciary Committee meeting The Fentanyl Crisis in America: Inaction is No Longer An Option. Maltz also appeared in front of the Ohio State Legislature in 2019 in a hearing held to advise on the designation of Mexican drug cartels as foreign terrorist organizations.

As a result of his leadership, Maltz has been the recipient of numerous prestigious awards including the Presidential Rank Award for his accomplishments throughout his law enforcement career. Maltz is a proud graduate of Syracuse University.



Federal Leader and Alumna Nancy La Vigne Named Dean of Rutgers School of Criminal Justice



Nancy La Vigne, a renowned criminal justice researcher and former leader in the U.S. Department of Justice under President Biden, has been named **Dean of the Rutgers School of Criminal Justice.**

La Vigne, a 1996 graduate of the School of Criminal Justice's doctoral program, directed the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) for the past three years, overseeing the Justice Department's research, technology development and evaluation efforts.

"I'm thrilled and honored to be returning to Rutgers School of Criminal Justice as its dean. The school's stellar reputation for strong scholarship and meaningful policy impact in service of safety and justice was what attracted me to enroll as a doctoral student and has continued to inspire me as an alumna," said La Vigne.

"As the school celebrates its 50th anniversary, I look forward to working with the faculty, students, staff, alumni, and larger Newark community to build off its extraordinary history and develop a transformative vision of what criminal justice education, scholarship, and practice can be in its next 50 years and beyond," she added.

La Vigne's work focuses on data-driven and research-informed improvements to policy and practice on a wide array of criminal justice topics and justice-involved populations. Throughout her career, she has focused on bridging the divide between researchers, practitioners and policymakers, helping both communities and justice system professionals apply science and data to inform public safety efforts.

She has also been at the forefront of a movement to conduct research that is inclusive of the expertise, experiences, and perspectives of the professionals, stakeholders, and community members who are closest to the issue or problem under study. She will begin her role as dean in March.

During her tenure at NIJ, La Vigne launched a new "evidence to action" initiative designed to spur the adoption of research findings by policymakers and practitioners. She also implemented new research investments on evaluating alternatives to 911, recruiting and retaining more women in policing, supporting officer wellness, and improving environments for people who work and are confined in correctional settings.

Her career has included serving as Vice President of Justice Policy at the Urban Institute, a nonprofit social policy research organization, where she led a team of researchers and was co-principal investigator for a groundbreaking study on reentry from prison. She also served as executive director of the Charles Colson Task Force on Federal Corrections Reform, guiding data-driven recommendations for reform that set the foundation for the First Step Act, which is designed to reduce the federal prison population while maintaining public safety.

La Vigne, who grew up in New Jersey, graduated from Smith College with a major in Government and received her master's degree from the School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin.

"We are excited to welcome Dr. La Vigne back to New Jersey and Rutgers-Newark. Her experience as a respected leader, administrator and scholar is an incredible match with the School of Criminal Justice, which is renowned for its work," said Interim Chancellor Jeffrey Robinson. "We are looking forward to the connections and relationships that Nancy will cultivate across the state to increase research opportunities for faculty, expand curricula for various stakeholders, and increase internship and experiential placements for students."

"Nancy is not only one of our most distinguished alumni, but she brings to the position an unmatched network of associations across the broad spectrum of scholars who study crime and justice. While her own scholarship is, of course, impressive, what sets her apart is a long record of facilitating, developing and leading scholarly teams pursuing the full range of topics of interest to the field of criminology," said Todd Clear, a School of Criminal Justice professor who has served as a past dean of the school.



CBP Data Shows Illicit Market for Marijuana is Expanding

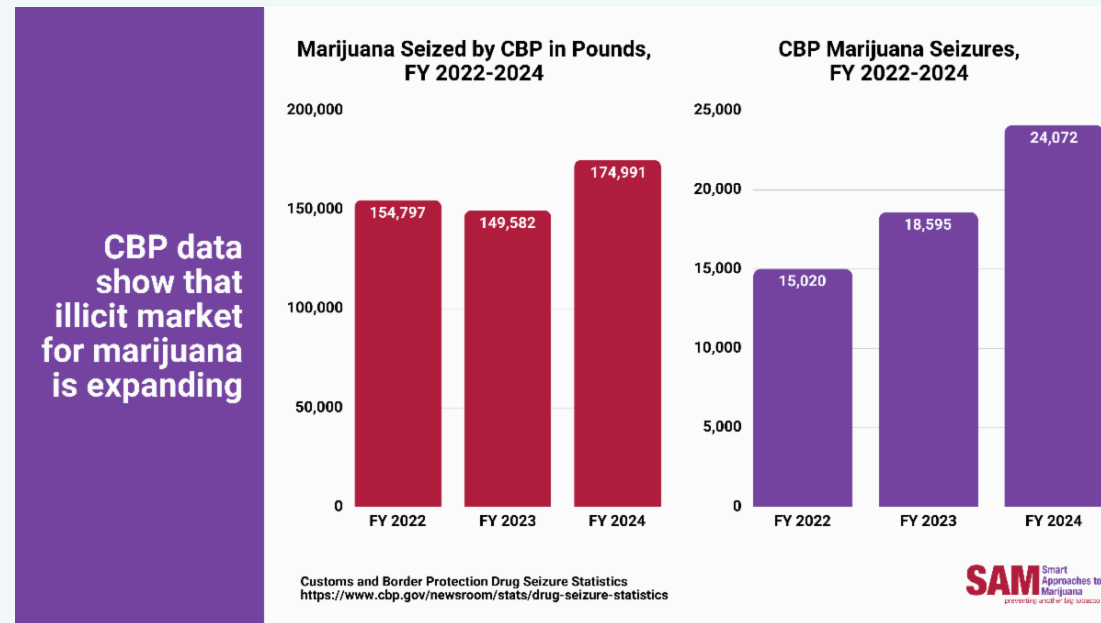
According to data from Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the illicit market for marijuana has been expanding. In fiscal year 2024, CBP seized 174,991 pounds of marijuana, up from 149,582 in FY 2023 and 154,797 in FY 2022.

The number of individual seizure events—as opposed to total weight—has also been increasing. In FY 2024, there were 24,072 seizure events for marijuana. In comparison, there were 18,595 in FY 2023 and 15,020 in FY 2022. This indicates that the increase in seized marijuana, by weight, is due to more than one large bust.

This increase is concerning, given that seizures in the illicit market are often viewed as a proxy for the extent of the illicit market (i.e., an increase in seizures is indicative of a growing illicit market).

For comparison, the amount of seized cocaine was lower in FY 2024 than it was in FY 2023 and FY 2022. The amount of seized fentanyl in FY 2024 was lower in FY 2023 and higher in FY 2022.

Despite assurances from activists that the legalization of marijuana would eliminate the illicit market, this federal data from CBP indicate that the opposite is occurring.



Articles We Read This Week



Justice Department orders investigation of local compliance with Trump immigration crackdown

The Justice Department has ordered federal prosecutors to investigate state or local officials who they believe are interfering with the Trump administration's crackdown on immigration, saying they could face criminal charges, in an apparent warning to the dozens of so-called sanctuary jurisdictions across America

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Is It Possible to Stop Terrorists Who Act Alone?

For law enforcement, detecting and thwarting these mass-casualty attacks from lone actors can be particularly challenging. Police have strategies for reducing or responding to such threats, but they cannot do it alone. Experts suggest that information from the public, improved mental health services and other supports could be an important part of addressing lone wolf terrorism.

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Trump's new DEA chief Derek Maltz a longtime proponent of declaring war on drug cartels

In a significant move to combat the ongoing fentanyl crisis and Mexican drug cartels, the Trump administration has tapped storied former counternarcotics agent Derek Maltz as acting administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration.

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Outgoing ATF director fears for agency's future under Donald Trump

Dettelbach resigned from his position Friday, making way for whomever Trump may appoint. He said he fears the Republican-controlled Congress will drastically reduce the budget of the 5,000-person agency — and there will be no one in the White House to fight back. “It’s a very small department, there’s not a lot of fat to cut,” Dettelbach said in an interview last week. “We have absorbed cuts and are facing more.”

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US cities largely saw a drop in violent crime in 2024

As U.S. police departments release preliminary or finalized 2024 crime numbers, many are reporting historic declines in homicides and drops in other violent crimes compared to 2023. In many parts of the country, though, those decreases don't match the public perception.

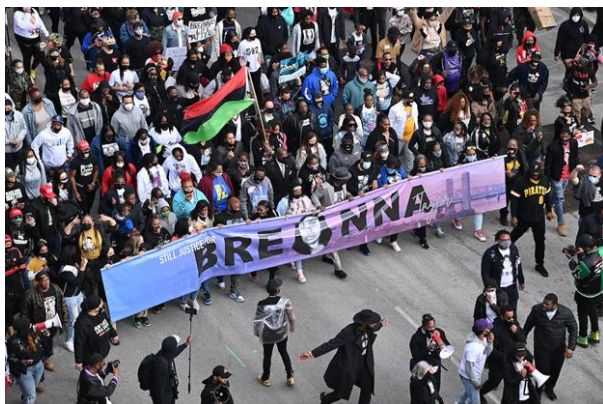
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‘Sheriffs are going to be emboldened’: Republican sheriffs are raring to implement Trump’s deportation plans.

President-elect Donald Trump has powerful allies on the ground preparing to help him execute his plan to deport millions of illegal immigrants: the nation’s sheriffs. Long viewed as crucial to federal immigration authorities’ efforts to track down and remove people who cross the border illegally, many Republican sheriffs are preparing in a second Trump term to arrest even more.

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Justice Department issues freeze for civil rights division

The Justice Department has ordered the civil rights division to halt much of its investigative activity dating from the Biden administration and not pursue new indictments, cases or settlements, according to a memo sent to the temporary head of the division that was obtained by The Washington Post.

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Upcoming Events



Major County Sheriffs of America 2025 Policy Conference

Washington, D.C.

January 27- January 29, 2025

[Learn More Here](#)



2025 National Narcotic Officers' Associations' Coalition Delegates Meeting & Conference

Washington, D.C.

February 3- February 5, 2025

[Learn More Here](#)



2025 National Sheriffs Association Winter Conference

Washington, D.C.

February 1 - February 5, 2025

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**National Fusion Center Association Annual Training
Event 2025**

Washington, D.C.

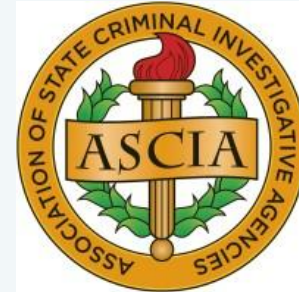
April 22- April 24, 2025

[Learn More Here](#)



**2025 Major Cities Chief Association
Winter Conference**

Washington, D.C.



**2025 Association of State Criminal Investigative
Agencies Spring Conference**

Biloxi, Mississippi

April 27- April 30, 2025

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2025 SEARCH Winter Membership Group Meeting

Columbia, SC

February 5 - February 7, 2025

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January 28- January 30, 2025

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