



**John R. Modlin**  
**Chief Patrol Agent, Tucson Sector, U.S. Border Patrol**

John R. Modlin is the Chief Patrol Agent (CPA) of the Tucson Sector, where he served as the Interim CPA from November 2020 through August 2021. Previously, he was the CPA of the Miami Sector as well as Deputy Director of Homeland Security Taskforce Southeast.

CPA Modlin entered on duty with the U.S. Border Patrol December 10, 1995, a member of Academy Class 296. His first duty assignment was at the Chula Vista Station, San Diego Sector. In 2002, he promoted to Senior Patrol Agent at the Port Huron Station, Detroit Sector, where within three years he became a Supervisory Border Patrol Agent. In 2008, he accepted the position of Operations Officer in the Northern and Coastal Border Operations Division at U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters in Washington, DC; the following year, he promoted to Assistant Chief, becoming responsible for planning strategies designed to mitigate threats on those borders.

In 2010, CPA Modlin promoted to Patrol Agent in Charge of the West Palm Beach Station, beginning a decade of service at the Miami Sector. He promoted to Assistant CPA in 2012, Deputy CPA in 2015, and CPA in 2018. Through his SES developmental assignment, he served as Deputy Federal Security Director of the Transportation Security Administration at the Dallas Fort Worth International Airport as well as Acting Deputy Chief of Operational Programs at U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters in 2019. He became the SES CPA of Miami Sector in 2020.

Throughout his 26-year career, CPA Modlin has served on the Northern and Southern Border as well as both U.S. coasts. He has participated in a diversity of assignments, including Operation Rio Grande, Operation Gatekeeper, the Department of Defense led Integrated Advance 13, and Operation Epic Response. He oversaw operations for both the Republican and Democratic National Conventions in 2012.

CPA Modlin earned a Master of Military Art and Science degree from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College in 2015 and was awarded the Homeland Security Studies Award for his master's thesis. He earned a Master of Arts degree in International Relations from Webster University in 2016. CPA Modlin and his wife have two children.