



## U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement



Mr. Bert Medina was appointed as the Director, ICE National Firearms and Tactical Training Unit (NFTTU) in November 2006. The Director, NFTTU, is responsible for managing national firearms and use of force programs within ICE. This includes policy development, firearms and defensive tactics instructor training, specialized firearms training, acquisition, issuance, maintenance, storage and accountability of firearms, body armor and related items. NFTTU has office locations in Fort Benning, Georgia, Altoona, Pennsylvania and Washington DC., and has personnel assigned in support of ICE and CBP Academy functions at Glynco, Georgia and Artesia, New Mexico.

Mr. Medina has been working in national firearms program functions for over 20 years. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Medina served as the Assistant Director, NFTTU Tactical Operations Branch, Fort Benning, Georgia, and more recently as the Acting Assistant Director, NFTTU Armory Operations Branch, Altoona, Pennsylvania. In these capacities he oversaw activities that included the development and execution of firearms and use of force training at the national level. This included the firearms and defensive tactics instructor training programs, as well as individual officer tactical training. At the NFTTU Altoona facility he had oversight responsibility for functions related to the acquisition, maintenance, issuance and accountability of firearms. This also included the preparation of specifications, test plans, testing and evaluation of ordnance items for acquisition.

Prior to the establishment of ICE, Mr. Medina performed these functions while at the US Customs Service, Firearms and Tactical Training Division, Office of Training and Development, and the National Firearms Program Staff, Office of Investigations training as a manager and an instructor. Mr. Medina brings a wealth of technical and practical experience. His expertise has been instrumental in the development of marksmanship training and in support of several specialized firearms programs.

Mr. Medina has over 28 years of federal service. He began his career in March 1985 as a Special Agent with the Department of the Treasury, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. In 1989 he became a US Customs Special Agent assigned to the Office of the Special Agent in Charge in Miami, Florida where he worked investigations that included cargo crimes, international money laundering, narcotics smuggling and assignments in support of undercover operations. In 1993 he took an assignment with the National Firearms Program Staff, Fort Benning, Georgia. Mr. Medina has a Bachelor's in Science degree in business administration from the University of Louisville, in Louisville Kentucky.