## Edward J. Ramotowski Deputy Assistant Secretary for Visa Services



Edward Ramotowski assumed his current position as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Visa Services at the U.S. Department of State in July 2012. In that position he oversees the Visa Office in Washington DC, two domestic processing centers, as well as visa operations at over 200 U.S. Embassies and Consulates abroad.

From August 2006 to July 2009 he served as Principal Officer at the U.S. Consulate General in Guadalajara, Mexico, followed by three years as Managing Director for Visa Services. He has previously worked as Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs, Chief of the Consular Section at the U.S. Embassy in Nassau, Bahamas and as U.S. Consul in Warsaw, Poland. Other tours of duty have included service as a consular and political officer in Bogota, Colombia and consular officer in Kingston Jamaica. Mr. Ramotowski has also served in Washington as a country officer in the Office of Andean Affairs, as well as a watch officer in the State Department Operations Center and on the White House Situation Room staff. He has received several Department of State Superior Honor and Meritorious Honor Awards, and in 2000 was recognized with the Barbara Watson Award for consular excellence.

Mr. Ramotowski joined the Foreign Service in 1986. He is a graduate of Georgetown University and the National War College. He is married and has two children.