



Elizabeth A. Cappello

Deputy Chief Information Officer



On November 24, 2019, Elizabeth A. Cappello (Beth) was designated as the Acting Chief Information Officer (CIO) for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

As the Acting DHS CIO, Ms. Cappello is responsible for the Department's information technology infrastructure, governance, and oversight to deliver mission capability securely, efficiently, and effectively. Prior to assuming her current role, Ms. Cappello served as Deputy CIO, arriving at the DHS Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) in August 2019. Previously, Ms. Cappello served as the Acting Chief Information Officer and Deputy Chief Information Officer (CIO) for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

While at ICE, Ms. Cappello led several large technology initiatives, including DC1 migration to the Cloud and the retirement of legacy mainframe dependency. She oversaw deployment of Office 365 and an upgrade to Win 10, as well as led SOC optimization efforts, including a highly successful DISA assessment. Prior to ICE, Ms. Cappello served as the Executive Director, Field Support Directorate within the U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Office of Information Technology. Ms. Cappello began her federal service as a United States Marine and has over 30 years in government leadership and management expertise. Previously, Ms. Cappello served in the Legacy U.S. Customs Service, at the National Data Center and at field offices in Southern California. She later joined ICE, where she provided centralized information technology support.

She is a graduate of the Harvard University Senior Managers in Government program and the National Defense University Advanced Management Program with federal Chief Information Officer and Information Assurance certifications. She holds a BS and MS in management from John Hopkins University.