



## Department of the Treasury Financial Crimes Enforcement Network



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William F. Baity was appointed Deputy Director of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) in January 1995. The Department of the Treasury has designated FinCEN as one of the primary agencies to establish, oversee and implement policies to prevent and detect money laundering. In his position as Deputy Director, Mr. Baity is responsible for working with the law enforcement, financial and regulatory communities to insure the effective coordination of anti-money laundering initiatives. Additionally, Mr. Baity served as the first Chair of the Egmont Group of Financial Intelligence Units comprising operating agencies from over 110 countries.

Before his selection at FinCEN, Mr. Baity served as Acting Director (February 1994 - December 1994) and Deputy Director (August 1991- December 1994) of the United States Bankruptcy Trustee Program of the Department of Justice.

At the U.S. Trustee Program, Mr. Baity was the senior career official in a national program responsible for administration and oversight of the almost one million bankruptcy cases filed each year. The Trustee Program is charged by statute with ensuring the impartiality and integrity of the Federal bankruptcy system.

Before becoming the Program's Deputy Director, Mr. Baity served for more than three years as the first United States Trustee for Region 5 (the Judicial Districts of Louisiana and Mississippi). From February through October 1990, Mr. Baity concurrently administered the Program's Region 15 (the Judicial Districts of Southern California, Hawaii, and Guam). From 1980 to 1988 Mr. Baity served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Louisiana, headquartered in New Orleans; he was chief of the Civil Division in that district during his last four years in the position.

From 1976 to 1980 he was an Assistant Director Legal Officer in the United States Coast Guard, supervising all cases involving criminal maritime enforcement, such as narcotic,

fishery and environmental violations. He gained extensive courts-martial experience as both a trial and defense counsel and prosecuted numerous drug intervention cases as Special Assistant U.S. Attorney.

Mr. Baity worked for the Exxon Company as an Economic and Business Analyst from 1971-1973. He was responsible for assessing the profitability of potential marketing opportunities and served as Exxon's liaison with local community organizations, providing financial feasibility studies for minority business plans.

Mr. Baity received a Bachelor's Degree in mathematics from North Carolina College in 1969, a Master's Degree in Industrial Administration from Carnegie-Mellon University in 1971, and a J.D. from Vanderbilt University in 1976. He has attended the Senior Managers in Government Course of the Kennedy School of Government of Harvard University and the CIA's Intelligence Fellows Program. He is admitted to the Bars of the States of Louisiana and Tennessee. Mr. Baity is a Fellow in the National Academy of Public Administration. He is married with two children.