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Mr. Ramos is the Department's principal advisor for small business and disadvantaged businesses and administers the Department of Defense responsibilities under the Small Business Act (As amended) with small business, small disadvantaged business, women-owned small business, qualified Historically Underutilized Business Zone small businesses and small businesses owned by veterans and Service disabled veterans.

Prior to his appointment by President Bush, Mr. Ramos served the Commonwealth of Virginia Governor James Gilmore III as the Chief, Deputy Director of the Department of Minority Business Enterprise in Richmond, Virginia.

In 1989 Mr. Ramos served President George H. Bush in the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) as the Associate Deputy Administrator for Management and Administration and as the Assistant Deputy Administrator for Minority Small Business Certification and Capital Development in Washington, DC retiring as a Career Senior Executive Level V in 1994.

Mr. Ramos had an extensive career with the U. S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service (IRS) holding progressively high level positions in the Compliance, Tax Processing, Tax Accounts and Taxpayer Information Divisions in California, Arizona and at Martinsburg, W. Virginia at the National Computing Center.

Mr. Ramos has been actively involved in various business and community based organizations throughout the United States. He has served as past president of the Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, past vice president of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), the American G. I. Forum of Washington, DC, United States/Mexico Chamber of Commerce, Advisor to the VA Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Hispanic-American Police Command Officers Association among the notable organizations.

Mr. Ramos has demonstrated his leadership by being recognized for his achievements in various awards some are: The Treasury Department Gallatin Award, Meritorious Service Award, The SBA Administrator's Award, City of Fresno Award of Honor and Key to the City, City College of Fresno Outstanding Alumnus Award and Commencement Speaker, Commonwealth of Virginia Thomas Jefferson Award by Governor Gilmore among some of the citations.

Mr. Ramos attained a Bachelor of Arts degree and completed graduate studies at California State University of Fresno. He has taken advanced tax and management courses with the Internal Revenue Service and SBA financial management at the University of Maryland.

Mr. Ramos is married to Margaret Ramos and has two sons. Frank, Jr. is a Financial Management Branch Chief with the Department of Education in Washington, DC and Paul is an IRS Territory Manager in Plano, Texas.