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Mr. Henshaw joined the Census Bureau in July 2023, as the Chief of the Acquisition Division. In this role, he serves as the senior executive responsible for oversight and compliance of the Bureau's procurement function. He is an experienced thought leader providing expert advice to program offices on highly specialized contracting matters of utmost complexity, sensitivity, scope, and urgency.

Mr. Henshaw is an accomplished leader with over 20 years of federal and private sector experience. Before joining the Census Bureau, he served as the Head of the Contracting Activity for the Office of Justice Programs, a bureau within the Department of Justice. Prior to that, he was the Director of Acquisition Management at the National Labor Relations Board. Mr. Henshaw started his federal career with the Department of Defense and supported the Office of the Secretary of Defense as a contracting officer.

Leading up to his federal service, Mr. Henshaw was a marketing program manager in the private sector managing multi-million-dollar programs for a global corporation. He is well-versed in the landscape of the federal acquisitions process, including everything from the delivery of complex enterprise-wide IT contracts, to improving the efficiency of purchase card processes and transactions. He holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Utah, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Brigham Young University.