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Ruth Ma Swilling is Chief Intellectual Property (IP) Counsel and General Counsel of Engineering for Raytheon, a business of RTX that specializes in integrated air and missile defense, advanced sensors, space-based systems, hypersonics, effectors and cyber solutions.

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