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Ms. Patricia Coury is the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (DASD) for Housing within the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment (ASD(EI&E)). She is the principal executive assisting the ASD(EI&E) in executing the statutorily defined Chief Housing Officer duties and responsibilities, and provides executive leadership on all matters pertaining to DoD housing, including programmatic oversight and development and execution of policies, guidance, and procedures to support readiness and protect the quality of life for military personnel and their families by ensuring their access to safe, high-quality, affordable housing, delivered through cost-effective military construction, government leasing, and privatization. Her responsibilities also include programmatic oversight of DoD privatized lodging and the Homeowners Assistance Program, which provides some monetary relief to certain eligible, qualified service members and civilians who suffer financial loss on the sale of their primary residence.

Prior to assuming her current duties, Ms. Coury served as the Principal Director for Facilities Management and Director of Housing. In this capacity, her responsibilities included policy development and programmatic oversight of DoD's worldwide facilities portfolio, including planning, design, construction, and maintenance. From 2015 to 2018, Ms. Coury served as the Deputy to the DASD for Facilities Investment and Management, with responsibilities that included leading the Department's critical, accelerated assessment of options in support of President Obama's Executive Order to relocate DoD detention operations from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to the U.S. She also formerly served in the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) as the Assistant Director for Housing and Enhanced Use Leasing, and was responsible for securing Office of Management and Budget approval of multiple Military Housing Privatization Initiative (MHPI) and Enhanced Use Leasing projects, and for establishing a new OSD scholarship program for DoD employees to pursue graduate studies in Federal real property privatization.

Immediately prior to joining the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Ms. Coury served as Source Selection Evaluation Board Chairperson for the Department of the Army's Residential Communities Initiative, leading the evaluation of multiple housing privatization proposals on behalf of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Privatization and Partnerships. She spent the first 20 years of her professional career with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Ms. Coury holds a master's degree in strategic studies from the U.S. Army War College. She graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree from Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois, and was inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa honor society.