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## Top Skills

Executive Leadership  
Senior Management  
Government Affairs

## Honors-Awards

Anti-Defamation League (ADL) SHIELD Award  
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Service to America Award (SAMMIES), Justice and Law Enforcement Medal  
Department of Justice Director's Award  
Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA) Heroism Group Achievement Award

## Publications

New Psychoactive Substances  
America's Heroin & Opioid Abuse Epidemic - House Committee and Oversight & Government Reform, March 2016  
Regulation of Fentanyl Related Substances  
Discussion of DEA's Efforts Combatting the Opioid Crisis  
Discussion of DEA Controlled Substances Regulations

# Louis J. Milione

President, Global Investigations and Regulatory Compliance at Guidepost Solutions LLC  
Washington DC-Baltimore Area

## Summary

With more than twenty-five years of public and private sector experience, Louis J. Milione returns to Guidepost Solutions as President of Global Investigations and Regulatory Compliance having just served as the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Principal Deputy Administrator from 2021 to 2023. As the DEA's second in command, Mr. Milione led an agency of more than 10,000 public servants – including 5,000 Special Agents, 800 Intelligence Analysts and 700 Diversion Investigators – who work in DEA's 334 offices around the globe.

From 2017 until 2021, Mr. Milione served as a Senior Managing Director with Guidepost Solution's Monitoring, Compliance, and Investigations practice where he conducted sensitive international and domestic investigations and started the company's Controlled Substances Act (CSA)/Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) DEA compliance practice.

Prior to joining Guidepost in 2017, Mr. Milione served for more than 20 years with the DEA overseeing global investigations and ensuring pharmaceutical regulatory compliance. From 2015-2017, he led the DEA's Diversion Control Division as Assistant Administrator, regulating more than 1.65 million DEA registrants across the entire pharmaceutical supply chain and spearheading DEA's domestic and international efforts to prevent, detect and investigate the diversion of pharmaceutical controlled substances.

Before leading DEA's Diversion Control Division, Mr. Milione served as the Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) of DEA's Bilateral Investigations Unit (BIU), which is part of DEA's Special Operations Division. He planned and executed high-risk investigations involving multi-tiered criminal networks, high-level transnational criminals, and corrupt foreign officials. For more than a decade, from his selection as a founding member of the BIU in 2002, through his

promotion to, and tenure as ASAC, Mr. Milione and his teams operated throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America, Central America, and Europe, spearheading many of the Justice Department's most sensitive and significant criminal investigations.

A graduate of Villanova University and the Rutgers School of Law, Mr. Milione is a recognized expert on a broad range of issues, including transnational illicit networks, controlled substances compliance across the pharmaceutical supply chain, narco-terrorism, corruption, illicit financial networks, and the global illicit fentanyl supply chain. He has appeared on 60 Minutes, CNN's Declassified, Vice-HBO, multiple national media outlets, and is featured in Elaine Shannon's book, "Hunting Leroux."

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## Experience

### Guidepost Solutions

President, Global Investigations and Regulatory Compliance

September 2023 - Present (1 month)

Guidepost Solutions is a leader in domestic and international investigations, compliance solutions, monitoring, and security and technology consulting. We work wherever your needs take us – whether on the ground around the globe – or from one of our offices located in Bogotá, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Honolulu, London, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Palm Beach, Philadelphia, Phoenix, San Francisco, Seattle, Singapore, Walnut Creek, and Washington, DC.

### Drug Enforcement Administration

Principal Deputy Administrator

August 2021 - July 2023 (2 years)

Arlington, Virginia, United States

As the DEA's second in command, led an agency of more than 10,000 dedicated public servants – including 5,000 Special Agents, 800 Intelligence Analysts and 700 Diversion Investigators – who work in DEA's 334 offices around the globe combatting the greatest drug threats facing our Nation.

### Guidepost Solutions

Senior Managing Director

July 2017 - July 2021 (4 years 1 month)

Washington D.C. and New York, NY

While at Guidepost Solutions, Mr. Milione's significant engagements included:

- A mining-industry corruption investigation for a publicly traded hedge fund that involved investigative activity in Uganda, the Congo, South Africa, South America, and Europe. Mr. Milione and his team successfully developed, and subsequently delivered critical witnesses and documentary evidence that proved devastating to adverse litigants in the matter.
- The assessment, evaluation, and remediation of the Controlled Substances Monitoring Program for the Nation's largest privately held full-line wholesale drug distributor.
- An investigation into whistleblower allegations of a hostile work environment and widespread sexual harassment for a Mexico-based automotive component manufacturer. Within 24 hours of engagement, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Mr. Milione and his teams deployed to seven regions in Mexico to conduct more than 70 interviews spanning a two-week period, providing outside counsel and the client sufficient evidence to take appropriate action.
- Locating, developing, and interviewing witnesses in Chad, Uganda, Senegal and elsewhere throughout Africa and Europe for a high-profile client charged in the Southern District of New York (SDNY) with Foreign Corrupt Practices Act violations.
- The pre-acquisition assessment and post-acquisition remediation of all controlled substances protocols for a publicly traded DEA registered controlled substances reverse distributor.
- A sensitive corruption investigation in Juarez, Mexico for a publicly traded energy company.
- Nationwide investigative activity on behalf of counsel representing a high-profile entrepreneur under investigation by the Department of Justice and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### Drug Enforcement Administration

20 years

Senior Executive / Assistant Administrator, Diversion Control Division (DCD)

2015 - 2017 (2 years)

Provided leadership and direction to prevent, detect, and investigate the diversion of pharmaceutical controlled substances while maintaining an uninterrupted supply sufficient supply to meet medical, commercial, and scientific needs.

Developed and directed programs to better combat threats, mitigate risk, and ensure compliance. Managed relationships with stakeholders in business, government, law enforcement, and the media. Maintained accountability for 1,700+ employees (recruitment, coaching, and leadership) and managed \$500M budget. Presented testimony to U.S. Congress.

Served as liaison between the DEA and the pharmaceutical / health care industry, international and state governments, federal agencies, and local law enforcement agencies.

- Improved the DCD's ability to combat threats posed by dangerous synthetic drugs and the diversion of prescription drugs by increasing Tactical Diversion Squads (TDSs) and initiating the Mobile TDS program.
- More than doubled engagement activities to reach 1.65 DEA registrants (manufacturers, distributors, importers / exporters, and providers of legally produced controlled substances).
- Coordinated and oversaw major pharmaceutical and chemical diversion investigations worldwide.

Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Special Operations Division,  
Bilateral Investigations Unit  
2011 - 2015 (4 years)

Built an efficient and collaborative organization to investigate, infiltrate, indict, capture, and convict notorious drug / arms traffickers, narco-terrorists, money launderers, and foreign corruptors. Directed 50 special agents, intelligence analysts, financial investigators, and support staff. Implemented program and process improvements to mitigate risk, improve safety, and enhance investigative outcomes.

- Expanded the organization to conduct criminal investigations in Africa, Asia, South / Central America, and Europe.
- Led high-risk investigations to infiltrate, investigate, and arrest previously unattainable criminals while dismantling criminal networks.

Group Supervisor - BIU, Narco-Terrorism Group, Special Operations Division

2007 - 2011 (4 years)

Promoted to oversee the Narco-Terrorism Group, a newly established organization targeting narco-terrorism and other crimes in Europe, Asia, and Africa. Planned and directed investigations in dozens of countries, often with limited law enforcement infrastructure. Traveled extensively and worked alongside teams in the field to ensure the safety and success of operations. Managed 17 direct reports.

Supervisory Special Agent, Counter Narco-Terrorism Operations Center, Special Operations Division

2004 - 2007 (3 years)

Transitioned to Counter Narco-Terrorism Operations Center (CNTOC), the DEA's international focal point for coordinating all terrorist-related information. Guided teams in managing and interpreting highly sensitive counter-terrorism information, which was often entangled with narcotics trafficking evidence. Strategized and directed worldwide investigations.

- Managed some of the DEA's most complex and sensitive criminal investigations in partnership with U.S. intelligence agencies and domestic / foreign law enforcement.
- Played integral role in securing \$12M in funding to support international investigative programs.

Special Agent / Founding Member - Bilateral Investigations Unit, Special Operations Division

2002 - 2004 (2 years)

Selected to serve as founding member of the Bilateral Investigations Unit (BIU). Pioneered a new approach to international investigations by targeting and infiltrating trafficking organizations at their highest levels of leadership. Conducted investigation resulting in RICO indictment of Norte Valle Cartel leadership.

Special Agent - New York Field Division

1997 - 2002 (5 years)

Conducted complex investigations, including one drug trafficking operation that led to the prosecution of high-ranking members of several Italian organized crime families.

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## Education

Rutgers Law School

Juris Doctor (JD)

Villanova University

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in English