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Philip Short is the Deputy Administrator for Management for the Farm Service Agency, U.S. Department of Agriculture. He is responsible for leading and overseeing the Human Resources Division, Management Services Division, Acquisition Management Division, and Homeland Security functions for the Agency.

Short has more than 30 years of senior government experience in management and business operations in both the public and private sectors as government senior executive, businessman, military officer and state elected official in planning, developing, and implementing business strategies, tactics, techniques and procedures to meet organizational challenges and produce superior results.

During his career, Short served as State Senator of Louisiana where, as vice chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, he worked extensively with agencies within the Department of Agriculture, including the Farm Service Agency. During his tenure, he authored and led the passage of innovative and comprehensive agricultural legislation. He also served on the Education and Judiciary Committees.

In previous government senior executive service, Short held the position of Director of Personal and Family Readiness Division, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps where he was the chief executive officer leading and directing programs and activities that delivered enhanced quality of life goods, benefits and services worldwide to Marines and their families. He also testified on military quality of life issues before Congress. Short was responsible for the planning, execution, and oversight of budget and investments totaling nearly \$1 billion annually. His span of control included 16,500 employees and 2,700 facilities worldwide. Additionally, he was the 1999 Chairman of Armed Forces Sports Council where he oversaw all U.S. military sports programs, including world-class competition.

Short served for more than 24 years as a U.S. Marine Corps officer and aviator. His assignments included multiple tours in command, operational and administrative positions. Short holds masters degrees in business administration and computer systems management from Webster University in St. Louis, Missouri, and a bachelor's degree in political science from Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, Louisiana.

Short was raised in Shreveport, Louisiana and is proud to have had a farm in his family since the 1800's. He is married to the former Suzanne Richards of Virginia, and they have two daughters and two granddaughters.