

## **PATRICK SANTILLO - BIO**

Patrick Santillo is the Principal Commercial Officer at the U.S. Consulate General in Toronto, Canada. He is a Foreign Service Officer in the Commercial Service of the U.S. Department of Commerce and has worked for the Department for more than 17 years.

Mr. Santillo most recently served as the Senior Commercial Officer at the U.S. Embassy in Athens, Greece where he had regional responsibilities for Cyprus, Macedonia and Albania. His portfolio included energy, defense equipment, telecommunications and tourism infrastructure. Mr. Santillo also actively supported U.S. companies seeking to assist Greece with its efforts to stage the 2004 Summer Olympics.

Prior to his assignment in Greece, Mr. Santillo served as the Deputy Director for Europe in the Office of International Operations of the Commercial Service. His responsibilities included management oversight of Commercial Service operations in more than 15 countries in the Central and Eastern European region. He also served as the Commercial Service's Assignments Officer. Mr. Santillo was the Principal Commercial Officer at the U.S. Consulate General in Osaka, Japan, and he served as a Commercial Officer in the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. While in Japan, he covered a wide range of activities, including conducting trade promotion in several product sectors and monitoring the U.S. Japan Major Projects Agreement.

Mr. Santillo, a native of Buffalo, NY, earned his Master's Degree in Economics from the State University of New York at Buffalo, and his Bachelor's Degree from the American University in Washington, D.C. Mr. Santillo was also a Rotary International High School Exchange Student to Japan.

Mr. Santillo is married to Kathleen Troy Santillo, and together they have two daughters, Alexandra, who is eleven years old, and Michaela, who is