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As the Managing Director of Monitoring Services for Affiliated Monitors, Inc. (AMI), **Rodney Grandon** leads independent, objective monitoring efforts on behalf of corporate clients – large and small – responding to government enforcement and regulatory actions. He uses his experience and expertise as a former federal executive to develop and present information necessary to build and/or to maintain positive relationships between the client and the government regulator. He engages with clients to improve or to establish effective risk-based ethics and compliance programs designed to promote integrity and honesty in business operations. He provides proactive services focused on improving corporate policies, practices, and controls, independent of government oversight or direction. In all matters, Mr. Grandon ensures the client’s needs and objectives are understood and aligned fully with the approach and goals of the effort.

Mr. Grandon retired from the US Government in January 2017 after serving as a member of the Senior Executive Service with the Department of the Air Force and the US Coast Guard. Immediately prior to his retirement, Mr. Grandon was the Air Force Deputy General Counsel for Contractor Responsibility and Conflict Resolution. In that capacity, he served as the Air Force’s Suspending and Debarment Official (SDO), exercising authority to exclude contractors from the federal marketplace and, when appropriate, entering into administrative agreements to provide contractors the opportunity to improve their operations and practices in lieu of suspension or debarment. Mr. Grandon was an innovative leader within the federal government in his efforts to promote robust, risk-based ethics and compliance programs as the foundation of corporate responsibility. He engaged in extensive outreach efforts to build understanding and trust between government agencies and industry.

Over his 30+ year career, Mr. Grandon has served the US in various military and civilian positions and he has been in private practice in Washington, DC. His government service includes: Deputy General Counsel for Contractor Responsibility and Conflict Resolution, Department of the Air Force (2012–2017); Chief of Acquisition Law and Chief Trial Attorney, US Coast Guard (2011–2012); Assistant Deputy General Counsel for Contractor Responsibility, Department of the Air Force (2008–2011); Assistant Deputy General Counsel for Acquisition, Department of the Air Force (2003–2008); and more than ten years active military duty in the US Army Judge Advocate General’s Corps (1985–1995). Mr. Grandon was in private practice as a partner and as an associate with Patton Boggs LLP (now Squire Patton Boggs) (1996–2003) and as an associate with King & Spalding (1995–1996).

While in government service, Mr. Grandon served as the Vice-Chair of the US Interagency Suspension and Debarment Committee. He currently serves as a vice-chair of the American Bar Association Public Contract Law Section, Suspension and Debarment Committee and he serves on the section’s governing council. He is a frequent speaker and lecturer on matters relating to contractor responsibility.

Mr. Grandon received his LL.M (Specialty in Public Contract Law) from the US Army Judge Advocate General’s School in 1992, his JD from Drake University Law School in 1985, and his BA from Iowa State University in 1982.