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Linda Cruz-Carnall was appointed Regional Director of the Philadelphia Regional Office in December 2015. She leads a staff of 25 economic development professionals, both field-based and assigned to the Philadelphia office, for the oversight and management of U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration's (EDA) Philadelphia-based operations, competitive and discretionary federal economic development funding and outreach covering federal regions I, II and III extending from Maine to the Virginias, the District of Columbia, Puerto and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Prior to her appointment, she served as Regional Counsel to the Philadelphia Regional Office providing legal oversight and administrative expertise to the EDA staff and stakeholders. Linda joined EDA in March of 1988, and has acquired broad-ranging experience by working collaboratively on traditional economic development investments such as industrial parks, incubators and multi-tenant buildings investments as well as complex environmental and financial matters, military base realignments, revolving loan funds, biotechnology and broadband investments. Cruz-Carnall is a native Philadelphian, holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from University of Pennsylvania and a J.D. from Villanova University School of Law.