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Appointed to Senior Executive Service in 2013, Ms. Pierson was the lead issue manager for crises in Russian, Ukraine, Asia and the Americas from 2013-2015. She has a unique background that includes GEOINT sources, methods, regional, and policy matters that bridge multiple disciplines across the IC.

Respected for her candor and effective leadership, Ms. Pierson has over 20 years of service in the Intelligence Community. Her career began as imagery analyst working on Iraqi ground forces before serving as the Director of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) Mission-Talent Alignment Program. Ms. Pierson stood up and managed NGA's largest agency-wide program to develop human capital and resources since the agency's inception in 1996. From 2014-2015 she served as Director of NGA's Office of Eurasia-Africa where she ran day-to-day intelligence production and operations for one of the largest organizations in NGA's Analysis Directorate.

Ms. Pierson holds a B.A. in International Relations from Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Oregon, with an emphasis in national security policy. In January of 2017, she was awarded the President's Meritorious Rank Award for Senior Intelligence Service officers. Ms. Pierson resides in Northern Virginia with her family.