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## ***Brownbag with Maame Ewusi--Mensah Frimpong***

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***Introduction by: Susan Kim, Project Director, O'Neill Institute***

### **Maame Ewusi--Mensah Frimpong**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division  
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Maame Ewusi-Mensah Frimpong was appointed the Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General of the newly reorganized Consumer Protection Branch of the Civil Division in March 2011. As an Acting DAAG, Ms. Frimpong sets the strategic direction of the Branch and implements its expanded consumer protection footprint, leading the transition of the Branch to its expanded mission and new leadership. She has deepened the Consumer Protection Branch's relationships with its agency partners and consumer advocacy partners, spearheaded a number of new initiatives, and launched several new investigations in new areas of consumer protection. Recently, Ms. Frimpong also served as the interim Acting DAAG for the Torts Branch. The 150 attorneys in the Torts Branch defend the United States and its employees when sued for a variety of injuries.

Prior to becoming an Acting DAAG, Ms. Frimpong served as a Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Division, Tony West. In that capacity, Ms. Frimpong handled a variety of matters and played a substantial role in the reorganization of the Consumer Protection Branch and the design of its expanded footprint. She also led the Civil Division's intellectual property enforcement initiatives and its diversity initiatives, and advised the Assistant Attorney General in intellectual property, diversity, immigration, consumer protection, international trade, and international law.

Ms. Frimpong joined the Department of Justice in April 2007 as a trial attorney in the National Courts Section of the Civil Division, representing the United States in the trial court and in courts of appeals in substantial cases regarding government contracts, regulatory takings, personnel discipline and international trade. Ms. Frimpong was named one of the National Law Journal's Top 40 Attorneys Under the Age of 40 for her work on a groundbreaking international arbitration concerning a trade dispute between the United States and Canada.

Prior to joining the Department of Justice, Ms. Frimpong was a commercial litigation and intellectual property litigation associate in San Francisco at Morrison & Foerster LLP. She began her legal career as a law clerk to the Honorable Stephen Reinhardt of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Ms. Frimpong graduated from Yale Law School in 2001, where she was an Articles Editor on the Yale Law Journal, and received her undergraduate degree in history and science in 1997, from Harvard University.