

Former US deputy AG Lisa Monaco returns to NYU Law

Lisa Monaco returns to NYU Law as a distinguished scholar in residence after serving as US deputy attorney general from 2021 to 2025, Dean [Troy McKenzie '00](#) announced on February 3. Monaco first joined the Law School in 2017 as a distinguished senior fellow affiliated with the [Reiss Center on Law and Security](#) ↗ and the [Center for Cybersecurity](#) ↗. She will resume her affiliation with both centers.



Lisa Monaco

“Lisa brings her considerable national security, law enforcement, and Justice Department experience back to the Law School,” McKenzie said in his email announcement. “We are fortunate and very excited to welcome Lisa back to NYU Law.”

From 2013 to 2017, Monaco served in the White House as assistant to the president for homeland security and counterterrorism. Prior to that, she was a career federal prosecutor and served in senior management positions in the Justice Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Monaco is the recipient of the Attorney General’s Award for Exceptional Service, the Justice Department’s highest honor, for her work on the Enron Task Force. She is also a two-time recipient of the Edmund J. Randolph Award, awarded by the US attorney general in recognition of outstanding contributions to the mission of the Justice Department. A graduate of Harvard University and the University of Chicago Law School, Monaco began her legal career as a law clerk to Judge Jane Roth on the US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

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