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Matthew T. Gauder is a federal agent with the Department of Homeland Security, serving as a Special Agent with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) in Chicago. Agent Gauder has extensive expertise investigating criminal and regulatory unfair trade practices as well as other crimes that raise health and safety concerns or otherwise adversely impact U.S. economic interests. In this regard, Agent Gauder was a key member of the global, multiagency enforcement team that investigated and prosecuted what the media and legal commentators have described as "Honeygate," the largest food fraud and customs fraud cases in American history.

Agent Gauder has been investigating commercial fraud-related allegations since 2003, both as a federal agent with ICE-HSI as well as an officer with ICE's sister agency, U.S. Customs and Border Protection. He has been awarded some of the ICE's and CBP's highest law enforcement awards for exemplary service..