



**2021 Spring Training Conference: *The Biden Administration's Priorities  
and the Role of Acquisition***

**May 19, 2021**

**9:30 AM: Welcome** – Roger Waldron, President, The Coalition for Government Procurement

**9:45 AM: Keynote Address** – Michael Parrish, Principal Executive Director and Chief Acquisition Officer, OALC, VA (confirmed)

**10:45 AM: Break**

**11:00 AM: Legal Panel**

David Dowd, Partner, Mayer Brown (confirmed)

Lorraine Campos, Partner, Crowell & Morning (confirmed)

Jonathan Aronie, Partner, Sheppard Mullin (confirmed)

Alex Sarria, Government Contracts Member, Miller & Chevalier (confirmed)

**12:00 PM: Lunch**

**12:30 PM: Cyber and Supply Chain Panel**

Moderator: Bob Metzger, Shareholder, Rogers Joseph O'Donnell (confirmed)

John Tenaglia, Principal Director, DPC (confirmed)

Katie Arrington, Chief Information Security Officer for Acquisition and Sustainment, DoD (confirmed)

Bob Kolasky, Director of National Risk Management Center, DHS (confirmed)

**12:30 PM: The VA and DLA Partnership**

Bill Kenny, Executive Director, Contracting and Acquisition Management, DLA (invited)

Phil Christy, OALC Deputy Executive Director, VA (confirmed)

**5 Min Transition**

**1:35 PM: VA Modernization Panel**

Andrew Centineo, Executive Director, Procurement and Logistics, VHA (confirmed)

Phil Christy, OALC Deputy Executive Director, VA (confirmed)

### **1:35 PM: Systems and Consolidated MAS Panel**

Judith Zawatsky, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Systems Management, GSA (invited)  
Stephanie Shutt, Director, MAS PMO, GSA (invited)  
Steve Sizemore, Project Manager, MAS PMO, GSA (invited)

### **5 Min Transition**

### **2:40 PM: Sustainable Procurement Panel**

Moderator: Steve Schooner, Nash & Cibinic Professor of Government Procurement Law, George Washington University College of Law (confirmed)  
Sonal Larsen, Senior Advisor to the Administrator, Climate, GSA (invited)  
Holly Elwood, Senior Advisor, Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program, EPA (confirmed)  
Porter Glock, Procurement Analyst, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Federal Procurement Policy (invited)

### **2:40 PM: Services Marketplace Panel**

Tiffany Hixson, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Professional Services & Human Capital Categories, GSA (invited)  
Laura Stanton, Assistant Commissioner, Information Technology Category, GSA (invited)  
Crystal Philcox, Assistant Commissioner, Enterprise Strategy Management, GSA (invited)

### **3:45 PM: Break**

### **3:55 PM: Breakout Sessions**

- Office Products
  - Bob Woodside, Deputy Director, GSA (invited)
  - Maria Viscione, Supervisory Contract Specialist, GSA (invited)
- Industrial Products/Update from the SSAC
  - Teresa McCarthy, Center Director, GSA (invited)
  - Kim Kittrell, Branch Chief, GSA (invited)
  - George Prochaska, FAS Regional Commissioner, GSA (invited)
  - Haven Wynne, Supply Chain Management Branch Chief/Program Manager, GSA (invited)
- Services on GSA Schedules
  - Keith Jeffries, Contract Operations Division Director, GSA (invited)
  - Sheri Meadema, Director of Program Operations, Professional Services and Human Capital, GSA (invited)

- IT
  - Cheryl Thornton, Director ITC Schedule 70 Contract Operations, GSA (invited)
  - Giovanni Onwuchekwa, Deputy Director ITC, GSA (invited)
  
- VA Pharmaceuticals
  - Moderator: Greg Madden, Managing Member, Orlaithe Consulting (confirmed)
  - Dr. Jennifer Zacher Martin, PBM Deputy Chief Consultant, VA (invited)
  
- VA FSS
  - Dan Shearer, FSS Director, VA (invited)
  
- DLA MSPV
  - Dan Keefe, Director, Supplier Operations Medical Supply Chain (confirmed)
  - Steve Bollendorf, Chief, DLA Med/Surg Prime Vendor Program (confirmed)
  
- Small Business Opportunities
  - Moderators: David Black, Partner, Holland & Knight and Ken Dodds, Government Contracting Industry Expert, Live Oak Bank (confirmed)
  - Antoine Broughton, Director, Direct Access Program & Strategic Outreach and Communications, OSDDBU, VA (confirmed)
  - Exodie Roe, Associate Administrator, OSDDBU, GSA (invited)
  - Bibi Hidalgo, Associate Administrator, Office of Government Contracting & Business Development, SBA (invited)

**4:55 PM: Closing Remarks** – Roger Waldron, President, The Coalition for Government Procurement

**5:05 PM: Day One Adjourns**



**May 20, 2021**

**9:30 AM: Welcome Remarks** – Roger Waldron, President, The Coalition for Government Procurement

**9:45 AM: Keynote** – Sonny Hashmi, FAS Commissioner, GSA (confirmed)

**10:45 AM: Break**

**11:00 AM: COVID Logistics and Acquisition Panel**

Soraya Correa, Chief Procurement Officer, DHS (invited)

Brig. Gen. David Sanford, Director, Supply Chain Advisory Group, United States Air Force (confirmed)

Joe Hamel, Strategic Innovation and Emerging Technology Manager, HHS (confirmed)

**11:00 AM: FAS Panel**

Tom Howder, Deputy Commissioner, GSA (invited)

Charlotte Phelan, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Travel, Transportation, and Logistics, GSA (invited)

Erv Koehler, Assistant Commissioner, Customer Accounts and Stakeholder Engagement, GSA (invited)

Mark Lee, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Policy and Compliance, GSA (invited)

**5 Min Transition**

**12:05 PM: View from the Senate Panel**

Moderator: Tim Cook, Director, Center for Procurement Advocacy (confirmed)

Arun Seraphin, Professional Staff Member, Senate Committee on Armed Services (confirmed)

Michelle Benecke, Senior Counsel, Democratic, Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (confirmed)

**12:05 PM: Oversight Panel**

Michael Missal, Inspector General, VA (confirmed)

Shelby Oakley, Director, GAO (confirmed)

**1:05 PM: Lunch**

### **1:35 PM: Healthcare Legal Panel**

James Kim, Partner, McDermott Will & Emery (confirmed)  
Joy Sturm, Partner, Hogan Lovells (confirmed)  
Stephen Ruscus, Partner, Morgan Lewis (confirmed)  
Jonathan Aronie, Partner, Sheppard Mullin (confirmed)

### **1:35 PM: Discussion with FAS Commissioner**

Sonny Hashmi, FAS Commissioner, GSA (confirmed)  
Jason Miller, Executive Editor, Federal News Network (confirmed)

### **5 Min Transition**

### **2:40 PM: IT Modernization – GSA’s Role Panel**

Dave Zvenyach, Director, Technology Transformation Services, GSA (invited)  
Keith Nakasone, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Acquisition, Office of IT Category, GSA (invited)  
Nick West, Deputy Director, Office of Policy, Integrity & Workforce, GSA (invited)

### **2:40 PM: Buy American and Domestic Sourcing Panel**

Moderator: Moshe Schwartz, President, Etherton and Associates (confirmed)  
Kim Herrington, Principal Director/Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Industrial Policy, DoD (confirmed)  
Dr. Gary Disbow, Director, Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, HHS (invited)  
Jean Heilman Grier, Principal and Manager, Trade Practice, Djaqhe LLC (confirmed)  
Scott Calisti, Director, Contract Policy, DPC (confirmed)

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- VA SAC and MSPV Program
  - Christopher Parker, Associate Executive Director, VA SAC (invited)
  - Katie Hulse, Director (acting), Acquisition Services 3, Medical/Surgical Prime Vendor Program, Chief, Acquisition Services 3B, VA SAC (invited)
  - Fredrick Hilliard, Lead CO, MSPV 2.0, VHA (invited)
  
- DLA/DHA Pharmaceuticals
  - Col. Markus Gmehlin, Chief, Pharmacy Operations Division, DHA (confirmed)
  - Dr. Julia Trang, Strategic Sourcing Pharmacist, Industry Liaison, DHA, POD,FM (confirmed)
  
- GWAC/MAC

- Carlton Shufflebarger, Acting Executive Director of IT Services, OITC, GSA (invited)
- Joanne Woytek, SEWP Program Manager, NASA (confirmed)
- Keith Johnson, Contracting Officer, NITAAC (invited)
- Rob Coen, Director, Professional Services Program Management Office, PS-MAS and OASIS, GSA (invited)
- Ana Eckles, Director of Human Capital Solutions, GSA (invited)
  
- Global Supply/4PL
  - Mark Dunkum, Director, Acquisition Operations, GSS Portfolio, GSA (invited)
  - Steve Smith, Director, GSS Central Office Acquisition Division, GSA (invited)
  - Paul Mack, Director, Office of Retail Operations, GSA (invited)
  
- BIC MAC
  - Jill Akridge, Director of Customer Account Management, Professional Services and Human Capital Portfolio, GSA (invited)
  - Adam Soderholm, Program Executive, Category Management PMO, GSA (invited)
  - Lee Tittle, Project Manager, GSA (invited)
  - Paul Szymanski, OASIS/BIC MAC ConOps Chief, GSA (invited)
  
- Furniture
  - Ryan Schrank, Center Director, GSA (invited)
  - Dena McLaughlin, FAS Regional Commissioner, GSA (invited)
  - Meg Sutliff, Supervisory Contracting Officer, GSA (invited)
  - Ivana Henry, Business Development Director, GSA (invited)
  - John Breen, IWAC Projects Branch Chief, GSA (invited)
  - Linda Valdes, IWAC Contracts Administration Branch Chief, GSA (invited)

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