

Bio - Dave Capitano

Dave Capitano has 31 years of experience in Government contracting. He is currently a Senior Executive in the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, serving as the Director of Oversight and Strategic Support since August, 2008. His division has responsibility for DHS strategic sourcing, acquisition systems, contract pricing, procurement support, and procurement oversight.

From November, 2007 to August 2008, Mr. Capitano was the Director of Acquisition Oversight in the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer. In that position, he was the supervisor for a staff of six reviewers who conducted reviews of component compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements, as well as DHS policy.

From July 2007 thru August 2008, Mr. Capitano also served as the Senior Price/Cost Analyst for DHS. His responsibilities included providing expert pricing consultation to senior DHS management and contracting personnel for contract negotiations of source selections and sole source awards, contract administration, congressional, litigation, legislation, and regulation. He was also responsible for developing and delivering training in contract pricing matters to all DHS contracting personnel.

Prior to coming to DHS, from October 2005 to July 2007, Mr. Capitano served as a Deputy Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy. In that position, he was the chair of the Defense Acquisition Regulatory Council from October 2005 to October 2006, and he led the Office of Cost, Pricing, and Finance from November 2006 to July 2007. In those positions, he was responsible for developing procurement policies and regulations in a variety of contracting areas, as well as responding to inquiries from field personnel and upper agency management regarding the application of those policies and regulations.

Mr. Capitano first began working for the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy in 1996 as a Senior Procurement Analyst, a position he held for nine years. In that position he was the Defense Department's focal point for issues concerning Contract Finance, Cost Principles, Cost Accounting Standards, Insurance, and Contract Closeout. He was also the team leader of the FAR Acquisition Finance Team and Chairperson of the DoD Contract Finance Committee. Prior to that appointment, he spent seventeen years with the Defense Contract Audit Agency, working numerous contract cost issues.

Mr. Capitano is a Certified Public Accountant (initially receiving his license in 1980), with a B.A. in accounting from Virginia Tech and an MBA from George Mason. Mr. Capitano has testified as an expert witness on Government contract accounting at the ASBCA and in Bankruptcy Court. He also spent ten years as an adjunct professor of accounting, including five years teaching at the University of Virginia.