## **Biographies**

#### **Colleen Barros**

Colleen Barros has been the NIH Deputy Director for Management, since May 30, 2004 after serving as acting Deputy Director since early February of 2004. She is also the Chief Financial Officer for NIH. Before the time, Ms. Barros had been the Associate Director for Administration at the National Institute on Aging, NIH since 1995. Ms. Barros began her NIH career in 1979 and served in various administrative positions in the Office of the Director. During her tenure at NIA, Ms. Barros contributed to a number of initiatives, including serving as project, manager for the NIH Business and Research Support System. Ms. Barros holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland and a Masters degree from American University in Management of Scientific and Technical Information Systems. Among her honors are the Presidential Rank Award in 2003, the PHS Superior Service Award in 1995 and four NIH Director's Awards. On September 30, 2008, Ms. Barros was honored with the Presidential Rank of Distinguished Executive Award.

#### Diane J. Frasier

Ms. Diane Frasier presently serves as the Director, Office of Acquisition and Logistics Management and the Head of the Contracting Activity at the National Institutes of Health. Ms. Frasier oversees all of the NIH's acquisition, property, supply and transportation programs. Prior to joining NIH, Ms. Frasier had a long career with the Department of Defense.

Ms. Frasier began her federal career as a Presidential Management Intern. Ms. Frasier holds a BA from the University of Virginia and MPA from the C.W. Post Center of Long Island University. Ms. Frasier is a 1993 graduate of the Industrial College of Armed Forces and a 1994 graduate of Harvard University's Senior Officials in National Security. Ms. Frasier is a CPCM, NCMA fellow and a member of NCMA's Board of Advisors.

#### Mr. Jonathan Ferguson

Jonathan Ferguson is a Small Business Specialist for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) assigned to support the National Institutes of Health (NIH) & the Indian Health Services (IHS). Prior to joining the OSDBU in April 2006, Jon served as a Contracting Officer/Contract Specialist at the NIH, supporting various Institutes' Research and Development programmatic community for approximately 16 years.

### Mrs. Rosemary M. Hamill

Rosemary M. Hamill began her federal career with the Department of Education as a Contract Specialist upon graduation from the University of Maryland. In 1983, she joined the NIH as a Procurement Analyst and later moved to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and served as a Supervisory Contracting Officer for more than 17 years. During that time, she

earned a Master Degree in Acquisition Management from The American University, Washington, DC. Throughout her career, she has been active member of the National Contract Management Association and earned its Certified Professional Contract Management and Fellow status. In 2001, she joined the NIH Office of Acquisition Management and Policy where she continues to serve as a Procurement Analyst.

## Mrs. Shamay Knox

Shamay Knox is a Procurement Analyst in the Acquisitions Management & Policy Branch (AMPB), Office of Acquisitions (OA), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease (NIAID). She serves as a policy analyst and program manager for various acquisition programs within OA. Ms. Knox began her federal career with the Department of the Air Force as an active duty Cryptologist in the Air Intelligence Agency, serving in various locations across the U.S. Later, she moved to the field of federal contracting, working for the Department of the Navy as a Contract Specialist in the Washington DC Naval Yard. She has been with NIH as a Procurement Analyst since 2002. Ms. Knox has a Bachelors in Business Administration, an MBA with a concentration in Global Management and certification as a Cryptologistic Linguist.

### Ms. Theresa Garnes

In September 2009, Ms. Theresa M. Garnes assumed the position of Director of the National Institutes of Health's Office of Acquisition Management and Policy (OAMP). She serves as contracting advisor to the Head of the Contracting Activity and directly exercises authority over three divisions. Ms. Garnes provides business solutions and leadership in the development of NIH-wide contracting and simplified acquisition policies and procedures; the financial advisory services area; the NIH Purchase Card Program, the NIH decentralized acquisition system, and the NIH-wide BPAs.

Her contracting career began in 1995 as a Department of Navy Contracting Intern at the US Military Sealift Command, which is located at the Washington Navy Yard, District of Columbia. Beginning in September 1999, Ms. Garnes transferred to the US Naval Sea Systems Command and served as a warranted Contracting Officer for the Surface Ship Overhaul Acquisition Branch in support of the Security Assistance Program Office, Foreign Military Sales. Ms. Garnes negotiated agreements between the Naval Sea Systems Command and various customers, such as the U.S. Coast Guard. During Ms. Garnes' tenure with NAVSEA, her assignments included service as team leader and senior contract specialist for the SeaPort Professional Support Services Multiple Award Contract (MAC), as well as a senior contract negotiator for the Phalanx Close-In Weapon System (ACAT II) and the Rolling Airframe Missile (RAM), a NATO cooperative program between the United States and the Federal Republic of Germany. From 2007 until 2009, Ms. Garnes served as the United States Army Corps of Engineers' Contracting Chief of Workforce Development Division and principal advisor to acquisition leaders and the acquisition workforce on matters related to acquisition career development policy, procedures, programs and management.

Ms. Garnes is a graduate of Howard University and holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Management. Ms. Garnes is also a graduate of Central Michigan University and holds a Master's degree in Public Administration. Ms. Garnes is a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps and is certified Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Level III in Contracting and Level I in Program Management.

### Ms. Annette Owens-Scarboro

Senior Small Business Specialist for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) Programs providing technical support to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Indian Health Services (IHS), Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Ms. Owens-Scarboro serves as the Senior Small Business Specialist for the NIH. She is responsible for, overseeing and ensuring the implementation of the Federal and Departmental Small Business regulations and guidance; representing the OSDBU and NIH acquisition officials in State and Local Government and private outreach activities. Additionally, Ms. Owens-Scarboro serves the Small Business Community as an advocate and liaison marketing their capability information to the HHS and NIH acquisition and program officials through outreach programs. Ms. Owens-Scarboro has extensive administrative and managerial experience in the acquisition area and 15 years of specialized experience in the Small Business Program. She has been employed with the HHS for 37 years.

## Ms. Susan Nsangou

Susan Nsangou began her acquisition career in 1997 as a Procurement Technician with the National Institutes of Health (NIH.) She has since served as Contract Specialist, Contracting Officer and now Branch Chief. Ms. Nsangou is currently the Branch Chief of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, Station Support/Simplified Acquisitions Branch. Her staff service all the acquisitions needs for various Institutes at the NIH. She works to increases the knowledge of federal contracting within the NIH and performs outreach to vendors on a monthly basis. The Branch was the current recipient of the first NIH Acquisition Innovation Award.

## John F. Terzaken III

Assistant Chief Department of Justice, Antitrust Division National Criminal Enforcement Section

John Terzaken is Assistant Chief of the National Criminal Enforcement Section of the Antitrust Division. Mr. Terzaken represents the United States in investigations and prosecutions of corporations and individuals for criminal antitrust violations, including price fixing and bid rigging, and related offenses. Prior to joining the Antitrust Division, Mr. Terzaken worked as a private practitioner. His practice included a variety of criminal and civil antitrust litigation and counseling.

Mr. Terzaken has written and lectured on legal topics relating to criminal antitrust violations, procurement fraud and the intersection of intellectual property and antitrust laws.

Mr. Terzaken earned his J.D. in 2000 from the University of Virginia School of Law, where he served on the editorial board of the Virginia Law Review. He received his B.A., *magna cum laude*, in 1996 from American University.

Mr. Terzaken is admitted to the bars of the Commonwealth of Virginia, District of Columbia, District Court for the District of Columbia, District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and Supreme Court.

# Mrs. Christina Vaughan Best

Mrs. Christina Vaughan Best began her 25 year career at the National Institutes of health (NIH) in the National Cancer Institute (NCI) in 1982 as a Clerk-typist. Mrs. Best began her 13 year Purchasing Agent career in 1987 with the National Eye Institute (NEI). During Mrs. Best's tenure at NIH she has developed considerable knowledge and expertise in the simplified Acquisition arena. She has worked in several purchasing offices at NIH such as the National Institutes of Dental & Craniofacial Research (NIDCR), the National Cancer Institute (NCI) as a lead purchasing agent for six years, and then the Office of Research Services (ORD/OD) for four years as Chief, Acquisitions Management Branch. She is currently a Senior Procurement Analyst in the Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) program of the Division of Simplified Acquisition Policy and Services (DSAPS), Office of Acquisition Management and Policy (OAMP), Office of the Director (OD)

#### Mr. Zedekiah J. Worsham

BPA Program Branch Chief, Acting Purchase Card Program Branch Chief

After graduating with a Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill in 2002, he began his contracting career as a Department of the Interior Government-wide Acquisition Management Intern. Through this two-year program Mr. Worsham rotated through four Federal agencies over a six month period including: the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Defense's Missile Defense Agency, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Environmental Protection Agency. From January 2005 to January 2010, Mr. Worsham became an 1102 within the NIH. During that time he worked awarded and administered many type of contracts including contracts that provided shuttle services and guard services to the NIH. In addition, he also worked on the team that competed and awarded the multiple-award Long Term Administrative Support Contract for the NIH.

In January 2010, Mr. Zedekiah J. Worsham assumed the position of BPA Program Branch Chief and as Acting Purchase Card Branch Chief of the National Institutes of Health's Division of Simplified Acquisition Policy and Services (DSAPS). The BPA Program provides the NIH competitive pricing for over 60 commodities including biological materials, chemicals, lab supplies, IT hardware/software, temporary help, lab testing services, office supplies, and more. The Purchase Card Program administers and oversees the entire NIH Purchase Card Program and provides guidance, training, and reviews to over 1600 cardholders and over 800 card

approving officials within the NIH. Mr. Worsham leads a six person staff for the BPA Program and five person staff for the Purchase Card Program. Mr. Worsham currently has an unlimited warrant, is FAC-C Level III Certified, and is a certified Project Officer.

## **Gary Tyler**

Gary Tyler's NIH career exceeds 20 years most of that time with the Acquisition Planning and Specification Branch in OAMP. Mr. Tyler serves as the COTR/ Project Officer for several NIH-Wide contracts including the Long Term Administrative Support Contract (LTASC).

#### Kevin R. Laird

Thrift Savings Plan Liaison Specialist

Kevin Laird joined the staff of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board in December 2007. His duties include conducting agency training sessions, giving employee briefings, and responding to telephone and written inquiries from agencies and participants.

Kevin Laird holds a Bachelors degree from the State University of New York at Potsdam, and a Masters degree from Truman State University. He is a veteran of the United States Army whose assignments include Fort Hood, Texas; Heidelberg, Germany; and the US Military Academy at West Point. Prior to his appointment at the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, Kevin completed a graduate certificate in Financial Planning at the University of Nebraska and worked as a volunteer financial counselor with Army Community Services. Kevin is a candidate for CFP certification and is a member of the Financial Planning Association and the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors.