

Christopher Wallis
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Christopher Wallis has a 25+ year mix of private and public sector experience in project management and acquisition. He started his career as a Project Manager in the private sector in 1993 and after earning a Masters degree in Urban Planning acquired an interest in public service and joined the Peace Corp. While in the Peace Corp he served as a Water and Sanitation Technician for a municipality in Honduras working with local government officials and non-government organizations designing and implementing water and sanitation projects over the 1999 – 2001 timeframe.

After returning to the states Mr. Wallis took a Contract Specialist position with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in 2002 and served as a Contracting Officer for multiple HUD programs including the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae).

In 2006 Mr. Wallis joined the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and served in multiple leadership positions within the Office of Procurement Operations including Associate Director for Health Affairs Programs and Division Director for Nuclear Detection Programs. He led numerous Strategic Sourcing contracting initiatives while at DHS, putting strategically sourced contracts in place for antiviral medicine, personal protective equipment, and radiological and nuclear detection devices. He also led major systems acquisitions for bio detection and nuclear detection systems, as well as Research and Development contracting for nuclear detection technologies. He supported DHS financial modernization initiatives as well and led his Division and the Nuclear Detection Directorate in transitioning to a new financial, acquisition, and asset management system over the 2014 – 2016 timeframe.

In 2017 Mr. Wallis joined the Department of Commerce to support implementation and operations of the Acquisitions function within Enterprise Services. He currently serves as Director of Acquisition Services and Senior Bureau Procurement Official for Enterprise Services-Acquisition (ES-A), providing leadership and oversight for the ES-A workforce in management of the Department's strategic sourcing portfolio and delivery of mission enabling contracting services Commerce-wide.

Mr. Wallis completed the Federal Executive Institute's "Leadership for a Democratic Society" program in 2014. He is FAC-C Level 3 certified and holds the Certified Federal Contracts Manager (CFCM), Certified Commercial Contracts Manager (CCCM), and Certified Professional Contracts Manager (CPCM) certifications from the National Contract Management Association. He remains committed to the craft of project management and holds the Project Management Professional (PMP) certification from the Project Management Institute and is also Senior-Level 3 FAC-P/PM certified as a Federal Program/Project Manager.