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Alice Feldesman is an Assistant Director at the U.S. Government Accountability Office's (GAO), Office of Applied Research and Methods (ARM). She has been with the GAO for over 26 years.

In her current position, she manages ARM's Web Services and is the focal point for methodology to support agency operations. She is the institutional expert on internal surveys, including the design and analysis of the annual employee feedback survey. Her methodological services include both qualitative and quantitative methods—focus groups, expert panels, case studies, as well as data collection and analysis of surveys and data bases. She was responsible for creating an innovative Internet-only product line to efficiently present survey results in a web-only format.

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Barb has been with Legislative Post Audit since 1977, working her way up from editor to auditor to manager to deputy to Post Auditor, a position she was appointed to in 1991.

She's also been active in professional audit organizations for 30 years. She was President of the National State Auditors Association during 2000-01, is Chair of the Mid-America Intergovernmental Audit Forum, served two terms on the National Legislative Program Evaluation Society's Executive Committee, and served a 3-year term on GAO's Government Auditing Standards Advisory Council.

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Mr. Curran is the City Auditor for Olathe, Kansas, a suburb of Kansas City with a population of 120,000. The position reports directly to the Olathe City Council and conducts performance audits and internal control reviews of city operations. Prior to joining the City in 2006, he was a project manager within the internal audit department of the Sprint Nextel Corporation and a senior auditor with the Kansas Legislative Division of Post Audit. Mr. Curran holds a B.A. in Political Science from Pittsburg State University and a Masters in Public Administration from the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University. He is a member of the American Society for Public Administration, Association of Local Government Auditors and the Institute of Internal Auditors from which he holds certifications as an internal auditor and government auditing professional.

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Mr. Vaudt began his second four-year term as Auditor of State in January 2007.

Mr. Vaudt graduated from Upper Iowa University in 1976, and joined the CPA firm of KPMG (formerly Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.) in Des Moines. In 1988, he was elected to the partnership. He retired from the firm in 2001 to pursue public office.

Mr. Vaudt served as Chairman of the Iowa Accountancy Examining Board from 1995-2002, resigning in 2002 after his election to State Auditor. He has served ten years on the board of directors of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) and completed his year as Chair of NASBA in October of 2004. During his tenure with NASBA, Mr. Vaudt has chaired the Examinations Committee, Public Perception Committee, and Regulatory Structures Committee. In September of 2004, he was named to *Accounting Today's* "2004 List of 100 Most Influential People in Accounting."

Mr. Vaudt is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Iowa Society of Certified Public Accountants, and the Des Moines Chapter Association of Government Accountants. He serves as Board Member of the Iowa Homeless Youth Centers and member of the Des Moines Rotary. He also has served on various other community and civic boards, including the Better Business Bureau, the Des Moines Playhouse, the Morris Scholarship Fund, the Iowa Supreme Court Client Security and Attorney Disciplinary Commission, and the Walnut Creek Family YMCA.

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Michelle J. Holland graduated Summa Cum Laude, with a BA in Criminal Justice from Park University. She has eight years of experience working for government, seven of those as a government auditor. She began her auditing career with the Missouri State Auditor's Office where she was involved with performance audits of State Affiliated Not for Profit Organizations, Bartle Hall, Department of Mental Health and the State Wide Procurement Card program. She received her certification as a fraud examiner in 2004. That same year she began designing audits for Government Purchasing Card Programs. The first conducted was of the Missouri State University system which involved audits of NWMSU (Maryville), Truman University, Central Missouri State University and the University of Missouri—Columbia, and Kansas City. In 2005, she began working for the Johnson County Auditor's office, where she led a review of the Accounts Payable Vendor Payment system, which included a review of the county's P-Card program. In 2006, she developed and delivered a presentation on Reducing Risks of Fraud in Government P-Card Programs to two different government organizations.

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A Kansas City native, Erin Priddy graduated with a degree in Accounting from Kansas State University in 1987, cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa. After graduation, Erin began her career with the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Office of Inspector General (OIG). GSA is the procurement arm of the Federal government and also manages Federal property.

Erin has participated in a variety of audits related to GSA procurements, including GSA's Multiple Award Schedule program, GSA Government-wide Acquisition Contracts, and GSA assisted procurements.

Outside of work, Erin is an avid golfer. She is a former Kansas City Women's Open champion and recently won the open division of the Missouri Women's Amateur.

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Susan Montee, a CPA and attorney was born and raised in St. Joseph, Missouri, is the first Missouri State Auditor to hold both accounting and law licenses. She is currently serving her first term in this office, following her election in November 2006.

Susan's first elective post was to an-at-large four-year term on the St. Joseph City Council in 1998. In 2000, Susan was elected Buchanan County Auditor. She served the county for two years concurrently with her service on the City Council. In 2002, Susan was re-elected to a four-year term as County Auditor.

Susan has been married twenty-one years to attorney James Montee. They have three children, Amanda, Andy and Austin. Montee is the daughter of Arlene Humphrey of St. Joseph and U.S. Marine Galen Humphrey, Missing-in-Action in Vietnam since 1966.

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Mike Foley was elected Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts in November 2006 and sworn into office on January 4, 2007. He is Nebraska's 24th State Auditor since the office was established with the founding of the State in 1867.

Prior to his election as Auditor, Mike served six years in the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature as the State Senator for the 29th District in Lincoln. He was first elected in 2000 and re-elected in 2004. During his term in the Legislature, Mike served on the Judiciary Committee, and the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee.

While in the Nebraska Legislature, he successfully won passage of five pro-life bills including Nebraska's fetal homicide statute that has now been used in five cases to prosecute persons who have committed crimes against pregnant women that have resulted in the death of an unborn child. He also successfully amended the Nebraska State budget to provide assistance for women in crisis pregnancy situations.

Mike is originally from Rochester, NY. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1976 from the State University of New York at Brockport. He then went on to earn his Masters degree in Business Administration from Michigan State University in 1978.

Prior to moving to Nebraska, Mike was the Director of Financial Analysis for the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners in Washington, DC. He lived in Washington, DC for nearly twenty years and was elected to the City of Washington Advisory Neighborhood Commission in 1986.

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Preston began his civil service career with the IRS in 1987 and two years later joined the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA - formerly the IRS Inspection Service) as a management auditor. In 1995 Preston was promoted to a senior auditor and then in March 1998 he was selected as an audit manager. After almost 2 years as an audit manager, Preston undertook a 2-year assignment in the Former Soviet Republic of Georgia as a resident advisor on internal controls for the U.S. Department of the Treasury technical assistance program. He moved to Georgia in January 2000 and returned to his audit manager position in December 2001. In 2006, Preston was selected as the Director of the Office of Management and Policy for TIGTA's Office of Audit. During his career with the IRS Inspection Service and TIGTA, Preston has audited a variety of IRS programs and areas including, among others, electronic filing, and voice telecommunications charges, the employee/independent contractor issue, conflicts of interest in the IRS Appeals function, notice reengineering, the Electronic Return Originator Monitoring Program, the Bank Secrecy Act Compliance Program, collection case modeling, and the tax gap.

Preston has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Keene State College in Keene, NH; a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from Franklin Pierce College, Rindge, NH; and a Master of Science Degree in Business Education from New Hampshire College (now known as Southern New Hampshire University) in Manchester, NH. Prior to starting his civilian career he served 4 years in the U.S. Army as an Electronic Warfare/Signal Intelligence Analyst. While serving in the Army, he studied Russian and graduated with honors from the Defense Language Institute. In 1993, he obtained his Certified Internal Auditor designation through a competitive examination and qualifying work experience.

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Donna Liss is the Associate Vice Provost for Information Services at The University of Kansas (KU). In this role, she leads the development of Information Technology services to meet KU's instructional, security, research and administrative needs. She develops policies and procedures for effectively managing technology services and supervises a staff of more than 200 full-time employees. She also collaborates with government, industry and higher education constituencies on local, state, regional and national levels to foster relationships on behalf of KU. Liss came to her current position in 2002 from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where she served as the university's Director of Information Systems. Liss holds a bachelor's degree in computer science.