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Speaker Bios

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LISA BELLAR

**Senior Contract Audit Review Specialist
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury**



Lisa Bellar is a Senior Contract Audit Review Specialist in the Tennessee Comptroller's Division of Local Government Audit. She is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Government Financial Manager, and a member of the division's contract audit review team. In her role she performs technical reviews of audited financial statements for Tennessee's local governments and certain not-for-profit agencies and assists in the review of audit working papers.

Lisa first joined the Comptroller's Office with the division of State Audit after graduating from Austin Peay State University where she majored in accounting and earned a Bachelor of Business Administration. After moving out-of-state, she held accounting positions at a university, equipment rental company, and tile manufacturing company. She returned to the Comptroller's Office in 2005 and has 23 years of service with the Comptroller's Office.

ELIZABETH ERDMANN

Former Assistant Director

U.S. Government Accountability Office



Liz Erdmann was an Assistant Director within the Natural Resources and Environment (NRE) team at the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Liz worked for the GAO for over 25 years primarily within the Federal Lands and Waters Issue area, before recently retiring in November 2025. Her work covered diverse topics including reviews of multiple National Park Service programs; Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing; Land and Water Conservation Fund; U.S. Freshwater Supplies; Efforts to Relocate BLM headquarters; Interior Grants Management; and NOAA's Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Policies.

Liz graduated from the University of Illinois with a B.A. in Business Administration and received an M.P.A. in Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management from Indiana University's School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA).

ALFREDO GOMEZ

Director

U.S. Government Accountability Office



J. Alfredo Gómez serves as a Director in the Natural Resources and Environment team of the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO). He manages the team's work in environmental protection issues. His portfolio includes, for example, work in cleanup of hazardous substances, drinking and clean water issues, ecosystem restoration, management of toxic chemicals, and climate resilience. Mr. Gómez has produced numerous reports and congressional testimonies addressing a wide range of environmental, natural resource and agency management issues.

Mr. Gómez began his GAO career in the Chicago Regional Office in 1991, working on environmental protection issues.

He left GAO to work for the Honolulu City Council where he audited local government agencies and subsequently returned to GAO in 1998.

He holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Rice University and a master's degree in public policy studies from the Harris School at the University of Chicago.

JASON HADAVI

Austin City Auditor

Austin City Auditor's Office



Jason Hadavi is the City Auditor in Austin, Texas where he started in 2005 as an Audit Investigator. Since that time he has had the opportunity to participate in many audits and investigations as well as lead the office's efforts to establish the first ever Citizen's Redistricting Commission in Austin.

Jason is a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), Certified Public Accountant (CPA), and Leadership Professional in Ethics and Compliance (LPEC). He has served on multiple committees and task forces for the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA).

Jason has led and assisted multiple peer reviews across the country. He has also presented training on a number of topics to ALGA, the Institute of Internal Auditors, the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, and other audit organizations.

ELAINE HOWLE

**Former California Auditor
California State Auditor's Office**



With nearly four decades of public service, Elaine most recently served as the California State Auditor for 21 years from 2000-2021 and as president of the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers from 2020-2021.

As the State Auditor, Elaine tackled the state's most intractable problems, and uncovered fraud, waste, mismanagement, and abuse of power, while providing numerous unbiased and nonpartisan analyses, and thousands of recommendations to improve efficiency and increase compliance.

A certified public accountant Elaine began her career at the Office of the Auditor General in 1983 as a performance/policy evaluator. She later worked her way up to lead the office as State Auditor. Under her leadership, the California State Auditor's Office grew from a steadfast financial and compliance watchdog into a robust government accountability and policy powerhouse that has been recognized both nationally and internationally.

Elaine is a recognized leader both locally and nationally, having received numerous leadership and impact awards during her tenure as State Auditor. Some of her recognitions include the Lifetime Distinguished Public Service Award from the Sacramento Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration, May 2022 and Outstanding CPA in Government Career-Contribution from the Association of Certified Public Accountants, August 2022.

Elaine earned an MBA from California State University, Sacramento and a bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

KATHERYN HUBBELL

Executive Director of Intergovernmental Audit Forums: Mid-America, Midwest, Southeastern, and Southwest Regions

U.S. Government Accountability Office



Kathryn Hubbell is an Executive Director of Intergovernmental Audit Forums within the Strategic Planning and External Liaison (SPEL) team at the U.S. Government Accountability Office. She manages the Comptroller General's Educators Advisory Panel, an advisory group of deans and professors from public policy schools at universities across the U.S., and GAO's Domestic Relations portfolio for the Mid-America, Midwest, Southeastern and Southwest regions comprising 23 states.

She has more than 20 years of experience leading and contributing to performance audits related to topics including air and water quality, climate change, food safety, federal contracting, COVID vaccine procurement, and DOD and DHS major acquisitions. She holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Florida and master's degrees from the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University.

AMI MAYNE

Assistant Chief Deputy Auditor of Operations
Ohio Auditor of State's Office



Ami Mayne is the Assistant Chief Deputy Auditor of Operations for the Auditor of State, Keith Faber, where she has proudly served the Office for more than 27 years. Ami is responsible for assisting with the day-to-day operations of the Audit Division, working in cooperation with regional chiefs on audit related matters and development and maintenance of the process for contracting audit services with registered independent public accounting (IPA) firms.

Ami earned her Bachelor of Science in Accounting and Finance degree from Miami University. Ami is a Certified Public Accountant, a member of the American Institute of CPAs, and a member of the Ohio Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), where she serves as Secretary, Co-Chair on the Scholarship Committee and on the Education Committee.

In her free time, Ami enjoys spending time with her husband Thomas and their two daughters, Ava and Hannah.

CARRIE MORRISON

Assistant Director

U.S. Government Accountability Office



Carrie Morrison is an Assistant Director within the Financial Management and Assurance (FMA) team at the Government Accountability Office (GAO). She has led financial audits and annual updates to the GAO/CIGIE Financial Audit Manual, and most recently oversaw the 2025 Revision of GAO's Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government (known as the Green Book).

She also serves on the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' (AICPA) Government Performance and Accountability Committee.

She has over 18 years of financial audit experience, including in both the public and private sectors.

Carrie graduated from the University of Michigan with a B.A. in economics and received an M.S. in accounting from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She is a Certified Public Accountant.

TIFFANY RIDENBAUGH

Chief Deputy Auditor
Ohio Auditor of State's Office



After years of dedicated service, Tiffany Ridenbaugh was appointed as the Chief Deputy Auditor for the Ohio Auditor of State, Keith Faber, on June 1st, 2025. She has been with the Auditor's Office since 2007, holding a variety of roles throughout her tenure. Most recently, she served as Chief Forensic Auditor of the Special Investigations Unit, where she directed complex investigations into fraud and financial misconduct across the state.

A graduate of Muskingum College, Tiffany holds a bachelor's degree in Public Accounting and Business. She is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), and Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM).

Tiffany is actively involved in several professional organizations, including the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants (OSCPA), the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), the Midwestern Intergovernmental Audit Forum (MIAF), and AGA. She also serves on the executive committees of MIAF and the Central Ohio AGA (COAGA). She resides in Newark, Ohio, with her husband, Jason, and their two children, Jayden and Graydee.

CORRIE STOKES

Former City Auditor
Austin, Texas



Corrie Stokes was the City Auditor in Austin, Texas. From 1999 until 2026, Corrie has had the opportunity to evaluate most areas of City operations. She was appointed as City Auditor by the Austin City Council in 2015. Corrie has delivered trainings and presentations on auditing fundamentals, peer review, fraud consideration, and various audit analysis tools. Corrie is a self-professed nerd, and is particularly nerdy about auditing, maps, and local history.

Corrie is a former member of the Comptroller General's Domestic Working Group and Yellow Book Advisory Council. She is also a past president of the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA), serves on ALGA's Peer Review Committee, and was on the executive committee of the Southwest Intergovernmental Audit Forum. She is a Certified

Internal Auditor, Certified Government Auditing Professional, and Certified Fraud Examiner. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies from Trinity University and a Master of Public Affairs from the University of Texas.

JEAN SUH

Contract Audit Review Manager
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury



Jean is the contract audit review manager with the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Local Government Audit. She oversees the contract audit review process for more than 1,700 entities, including municipalities, other local governments, and certain nonprofit and for-profit entities. Her daily responsibilities include providing technical assistance to CPA firms and local government officials regarding accounting and auditing issues, as well as related laws, regulations, and other compliance requirements.

Jean graduated from Seoul National University with a B.S. degree in Horticulture and studied accounting at the University of Maryland Baltimore County and the Tennessee Tech University. She is a member of AGA, and the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE). Jean is a graduate of Lead Tennessee, the Tennessee Government Management Institute, and the Tennessee Government Executive Institute.