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Harold (Hal) I. Steinberg was the first Deputy Controller/Acting Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management (OFFM), Office of Management and Budget. OFFM was established by the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990 to design, organize, and oversee the implementation of programs to improve the Federal Government's financial management.

Hal also was a partner in KPMG LLP. From 1983-1991, he led the Firm's practice with the Federal Government; previously--1973-1981--he was in charge of the Firm's practice with State and local governments. He was also a management consulting engagement partner specializing in governments and not-for-profit organizations and a management consulting manager and senior auditor. From 1981 to 1983, Hal was the Associate Director for Management at the U. S. Office of Management and Budget.

Hal has been a driving force in such governmental financial management programs as the implementation of the Chief Financial Officers Act and federal financial management improvement, the internal control evaluation and improvement program, the Inspector General program, the off-the-shelf-standardized accounting software program, the single audit program, the governmental audit peer review program, performance measurement and the process by which governments report service efforts and accomplishments, and the process by which governments report their financial status in order to sell securities to the public.

He has also been directly involved in the establishment of accounting and financial reporting standards for the Federal Government, state and local governments, the Catholic Church, voluntary health and welfare organizations, independent schools, and public elementary and secondary schools. He was a member of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board and directed the task forces that prepared the two Statements of Federal Financial Accounting Concepts: Objectives of Federal Financial Reporting and Entity and Display.

Hal was a member of the Board of Directors of the ICMA Retirement Corporation—a multi-billion dollar deferred compensation program for state and local government employees—and chaired its Audit Committee.

Hal is a prolific writer. He has written countless journal articles and such books as Reporting of Service Efforts and Accomplishments, a research report published by the Financial Accounting Standards Board; A Guide to Accounting, Financial Reporting, and Auditing in the Federal Government; Managing Public Resources; and Accountability Reporting Trends and Techniques, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> editions, all of which have been published by KPMG. He is currently writing a Guidelines for Federal Agency Audit Advisory Committees.

Hal is a Certified Public Accountant; his performance on the May 1963 CPA examination was recognized with the Haskins and Sells medal. He also is a Certified Government Financial Manager. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, served on its Governmental Accounting and Auditing Committee and Improving Federal Financial Management Task Force; and chaired its Task Force on Improving the Quality of Governmental Audits. Hal is also a member of the Association of Government Accountants-Northern Virginia Chapter, chaired the AGA Task Force on How to Attract and Retain Financial Management Personnel for the Federal Government, served on the

AGA Long Range Planning Committee, is a special advisor to the Certified Government Financial Manager Professional Certification Board (in which capacity he organized and directed the development of the certification examination), and organized and developed the Association's Certificate of Excellence in Accountability Reporting and Certificate of Excellence in Service Efforts and Accomplishments Reporting programs. He was the 1991 winner of the Association's Andy Barr Award for outstanding contributions to governmental financial management by a private sector individual; the 1998 and 2002 Presidents Awards; and the Einhorn-Gary Service Award, presented to the thirty individuals that have done the most in the last fifty years to improve government accountability. He is a member of the American Society of Military Comptrollers' Financial Management Certification Committee. Finally, Hal is a member of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Task Force on Service Efforts and Accomplishments Reporting and chaired a National Academy of Public Administration Work Group that defined how Federal agencies can align their budget structures with the programs and goals required by the Government Performance and Results Act.