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**J.D. Williams, Director of State and Local Government, Oracle Public Sector, to Receive  
AGA National President's Award**

**Alexandria, VA** – J.D. Williams, JD, MPA, CGFM, Director of State and Local Government, Oracle Public Sector and former State Controller of Idaho, will receive a National President's Award from the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) on July 13. Mr. Williams' award will be presented on the final day of the Association's 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition in Orlando, FL.

Each year, AGA's National President presents special awards to recognize individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the success of the Association's programs during the President's term. This year, National President Bobby Derrick, CGFM, will present one of these awards to Mr. Williams.

The award is in recognition of Williams' excellent leadership as co-chair of the Professional Development Conference & Exposition (PDC) Technical Committee and his support of AGA programs, including being editor and co-author of the new book published this year by the AGA and National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT), *Leadership Secrets of Government Financial Officials*.

AGA's annual PDC is highly regarded in the government financial management field as a premier education and training conference. The PDC annually attracts more than 1,600 leaders from federal, state and local governments and the private sector. The four-day conference addresses timely issues in government auditing, accounting, financial management, budgeting and information technology. Offering more than 25 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) hours, this conference is considered a "must" in many financial managers' training plans.

Mr. Williams is responsible for relationships with state and local governments in the United States for Oracle USA, Inc. He held a similar position at PeopleSoft USA, Inc. before the combination of the two technology companies early this year. He retired in 2002 as the elected State Controller of Idaho. He was responsible for the financial management of Idaho state government and also operated the state's Computer Service Center. His prior public service includes being Mayor of Preston, Idaho; Prosecuting Attorney for Franklin County, Idaho; and a member of the Idaho Water Resource Board.

When he left state service, he stepped down as Vice President of NASACT. Williams was Chairman of the National Electronic Commerce Coordinating Council (NECCC) in 1999-2000, and was President of the National Association of State Controllers (NASC) in 1996-1997.

Williams first attended college at Utah State University, where he studied business and agricultural economics. He later graduated from Brigham Young University with a degree in Political Science and a Master's Degree in Public Administration. He earned his law degree from American University. Mr. Williams has also been a member of AGA's Idaho Centennial

Chapter since 1990 and was named Idaho Financial Manager of the Year by the association. In addition, he is a Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM).

The Association of Government Accountants is a 16,000-member professional Association devoted to meeting the continuing professional education needs of financial managers at all levels of government, the private sector and academia. For more information about the Association, or the CGFM Program, call 800.AGA.7211, or visit our website at [www.agacgfm.org](http://www.agacgfm.org).

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