

**Michelle Philpott, CPA  
Assistant Director, GAO**

Ms. Philpott began her federal career at GAO in 2001 where she worked on several government-wide performance and financial audits. In 2008, she joined the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) where she was responsible for evaluating the Internal Revenue Service's compliance programs. After spending nearly 8 years as an Audit Manager with TIGTA, Ms. Philpott returned to GAO and has since been focusing on the Federal government's improper payments.

Ms. Philpott is a Certified Public Accountant in Texas and has held several board positions with the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) Dallas Chapter, including the role of President during 2004-2005. More recently (in 2018), she served as the Executive Director of the New England, Mid-Atlantic, and Pacific Northwest [Intergovernmental Audit Forums](#), which includes audit executives from federal, state, and local governments with the aim of improving communication, coordination, and cooperation in intergovernmental auditing.