

## Executive Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

Ruby B. Harvey is the Executive Director for the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), where she is responsible for programs that promote small business participation in VA procurements, with special emphasis on Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSBs and VOSBs). Ms. Harvey is a member of the United States Senior Executive Service and has more than 25 years of acquisition, program management, finance, training, information technology and human resources experience in the public and private sectors.



Prior to her position with OSDBU, Ms. Harvey served as Chancellor of the VA Acquisition Academy (VAAA), where she directed and oversaw the training of VA's acquisition workforce. Ms. Harvey oversaw the Acquisition Internship, Program Management, Contracting Professional, Facilities Management, and Supply Chain Management Schools, ensuring VA has the most qualified program managers, contracting officers, construction and facilities managers, and supply chain managers and logisticians.

Prior to her position with the VA Acquisition Academy, Ms. Harvey served as the Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary (ADAS), Acquisition Program Support in VA's Office of Acquisition and Logistics (OAL), where she provided executive direction for acquisition support services focused on Workforce Development, Supply Fund Management, Human Resources, Business Transformation, OAL Facilities, and Emergency Preparedness.

Ms. Harvey previously served as Director for Enterprise Acquisition Systems (EAS) Service, where she oversaw all aspects of the acquisition systems for the Department including the electronic contract management system. Prior to joining VA, Ms. Harvey served in a senior leadership position with the United States Department of Agriculture as Chief, Procurement Systems Division in Washington, D.C. During her time in the private sector, Ms. Harvey served as Verizon Wireless' Associate Director, Mid-Atlantic for Revenue and Systems Assurance. Her professional background also includes Federal technology consulting.

Ms. Harvey earned her Master of Science degree in Information and Telecommunications Systems from Johns Hopkins University. She also completed her post-graduate studies in Electronic Commerce at Johns Hopkins University. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from Jackson State University and is a graduate of the Federal Executive Institute. Ms. Harvey is a Federal Acquisition

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