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The foundation of Government contracting is *Contract Administration*. Without effective, solid administration, any type of Government contract — whether it is for a product or a service, large or small, can face enormous hurdles, problems, claims, and disputes. As participants will find, *this* Workshop takes on the substantive issues of contract administration directly and aggressively.

Each day of the Workshop will deal with specific, concrete administration problem areas. These areas will be illuminated, dissected, sharply analyzed and *resolved* — through discussions, lectures, and problem-solving exercises. Keeping with the advanced nature of this program, you will also learn proven techniques for *avoiding* disputes. Strategies to use, when disputes do arise, will also be covered.

Each attendee will receive a copy of the nationally-acclaimed text, the newly published fourth edition of *Administration of Government Contracts* for use during the program and as a desk-reference. In addition, selected copies of THE NASH & CIBINIC REPORT will be used to focus on key issues. By the end of the course, you will be able to use these tools to identify practical, legal, equitable and ethical solutions to contract administration problems.

In short, the course curriculum has been carefully selected to give you the most practical, *advanced* program on contract administration possible. We hope you will be able to participate in one of the sessions.

#### **Course Director**

Ralph C. Nash, Jr. is nationally recognized as one of the leading and most respected authorities in Government procurement. His guidance, insights and innovations have been at the forefront of the contracting profession for decades. Now a Professor Emeritus of Law at The George Washington University, Professor Nash established and became the founding Director of the Law School's Government Contracts Program. Designed to provide a solid framework for teaching, research and writing in Government procurement, the program is a leading U.S. educational resource in Government contracting today and Professor Nash continues as a vital part of the program.

In addition to an active role in consulting for Government agencies, private corporations, industrial organizations and law firms on procurement matters, Professor Nash continues to educate the contracting community through programs sponsored by educational institutions, professional societies and professional associations. He has served as a member of the Governing Council of the American Bar Association's Section of Public Contract Law and as a Judge on the Atomic Energy Commission Board of Contract Appeals. In addition, Professor Nash is a Fellow of the National Contract Management Association and serves on the NCMA's Board of Advisors.

Author of one of the most respected texts ever written on a procurement subject — Government Contract Changes — he has coauthored a number of the basic texts on procurement matters including Formation of Government Contracts, 3d ed. 1998, Administration of Government Contracts, 4th ed. 2006, Cost Reimbursement Contracting, 3d ed. 2004, and Competitive Negotiation: The Source Selection Process, 2d ed. 1999. Professor Nash is the author of the Federal Publications monthly publication, The Nash & Cibinic Report.

Professor Nash received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Princeton University and his Juris Doctor degree from The George Washington University.

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#### AN OVERVIEW OF CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- a. What Is Contract Administration?
- b. The Rules
- c. Where The Rules Originate
- d. The Govt's Authorized Agents
- e. Standards Of Conduct
- f. Liability Of Govt Employees

#### 2. INTERPRETING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- a. Key Definitions
- b. The Goals Of Interpretation
- c. Contract Wording A Detailed Review
- d. Questions / Problems Following Contract Analysis

#### 3. CHANGES IN CONTRACTS

- a. The Changes Clause
- b. Notice Requirements
- c. Change Orders
- d. Causes
- e. Damages

#### 4. DELAYS

- a. Excusable
- b. Compensable
- c. Standard Clauses
- d. Causes
- e. Damages

#### **USING GOVT PROPERTY**

- a. Overview
- b. Govt Obligations
- c. Contractor Obligations & Remedies

#### 6. RECOGNIZING THE RISKS IN THE PROCESS

- a. Faulty Representations & Statements
- b. Nondisclosures
- c. Warranty Issues
- d. Good Faith & Fair Dealing
- e. Performance Impracticability & Mistakes
- f. Allocating The Risks Fairly

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- a. Basic Computation Rules
- b. Proving The Amount
- c. Claim Preparation Costs
- d. Defective Pricing Claims By The Govt
- e. Calculating Overhead & Profit Figures
- f. Delay & Impact

#### 8. DIFFERING SITE CONDITIONS

- a. The Standard Contract Clause
- b. Type I & Type II Conditions
- c. Contract Breach
- d. Contractor's Duty To Inspect The Site
- e. Govt Disclaimers
- f. Notice & Procedure
- g. Exculpatory Clauses

#### 9. INSPECTION, ACCEPTANCE & WARRANTIES

- a. Govt Rights
- b. Inspection Procedures
- c. Rejection & Correction
- d. Acceptance
- e. Express & Implied Warranties

#### 10. PAYMENT

- a. Discharge
- b. Contract Payments
- c. Standard Clauses
- d. Prompt Payment Act
- e. Debt Collection Procedures
- f. Remedies & Setoffs

#### 11. TERMINATIONS FOR CONVENIENCE

- a. Govt's Rights
- b. Procedures
- c. Constructive Termination
- d. Contractor Recovery
- e. Settlement Principles & Procedures
- f. Partial Terminations

#### 12. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

- a. Bases For Termination
- b. The Decision
- c. Contractor Defenses
- d. Govt Remedies
- e. Procedures
- f. Damages
- g. Liquidated Damages
- h. Contesting The Termination

#### 13. THE DISPUTES PROCESS & ADMINISTRATION

- a. The Process
- b. The Disputes Path
- c. Asserting Contractor Claims
- d. The C.O.'s & The Administrator's Roles
- f. Overview Of The Contract Disputes Act

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