

## Moderator



**RICKY ALAN PERRY, JR.** is a senior analyst on the technical staff of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board. Alan manages Board projects on lease accounting and implementation. Prior to joining the Board's research staff in 2019, Alan worked at GAO, where he managed federal financial audits, audited certain federal disaster relief and tax credit programs, and assessed government-wide payment integrity processes and strategies. While with GAO, Alan detailed with FASAB, managing the Board's tax expenditures project and supporting its education and outreach efforts.

Alan is a Certified Public Accountant licensed in the State of North Carolina and a Certified Government Financial Manager. He is an active member of the Association of Government Accountants. He holds a master's degree in accounting from North Carolina State University.

In his free time, Alan plays squash, follows jam bands around the southeast and mid-Atlantic, and is an active member of his church. Alan and his fiancée reside in Washington, D.C.

## Expert Panelists



**BURJU COBB** is a senior manager with fourteen years of dynamic and diverse advisory and audit experience. Burju has spent many years leading audits of large SEC-registered corporations, subsequently focusing on providing complex accounting, audit readiness, and CFO transformation type advisory services to financial institutions, real estate and asset management industries. Burju has also diversified her experience with industry practice serving the Chief Accountant's Department of the largest Canadian bank as a subject matter advisor in various areas of complex accounting, supporting Audit Committee reporting, and facilitating technical training sessions for the CFO group.

Subsequently, Burju has been dedicated to serving clients in the Government and Public Sector (GPS) with a focus on operationalization of new standards for large agencies (including, not limited to, the new leasing standard) with an integrated approach to controls, policy, process and technology requirements. As part of Deloitte's GPS Lease Center of Excellence, Burju has also led the development of technical requirements for Deloitte's proprietary lease accounting solution (LeaseController) as well as functional testing of this solution.

Burju has received a bachelor's of science degree in accounting from Rotman School of Business, University of Toronto, and is a Certified Public Accountant.



**ROBERT F. DACEY** is the Chief Accountant for GAO. His expertise includes financial accounting, reporting, and auditing; cost accounting and measurement; and internal controls over financial reporting, including information system controls. He is currently a member of the FASAB, which issues accounting standards for federal entities.

Robert joined GAO in February 1991. He has provided leadership for significant GAO efforts in financial accounting and auditing, including audits of the consolidated financial statements of the U.S. government, as well as audits and testimony related to information security, homeland security, and other information technology areas. He is a former member of the AICPA Auditing Standards Board and several of its task forces and is currently a member of the service organizations task force. He previously served as a member of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board and Chair of the AGA's CEAR Board. Prior to GAO, he was a senior audit manager at Deloitte.

Robert is a Certified Public Accountant and Certified Government Financial Manager. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Association of Government Accountants. He received a B.B.A., magna cum laude, from the University of Cincinnati and a J.D. from the George Mason University School of Law.

**APRIL PRATT** is the Director, Public Buildings Service, Financial Operations Division, in the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, at the General Services Administration (GSA). April graduated from Radford University with a BS in Business Administration in 1991. April has been with GSA for over 30 years and held roles both as an Accountant and as a Financial Management Analyst. April has worked directly in various aspects of preparing financial statements, footnote disclosures and supplemental information for the GSA's Annual Financial Report. April has been involved with each of the agency's external financial statement audits for the past 30 years.

April's career has focused mainly on the financial accounting and budgetary work for the GSA's Public Buildings Service (PBS) that is responsible for furnishing space and services for its occupant agencies in federally owned and leased properties nationwide. As the largest public real estate organization in the United States, PBS owns or leases more than 8,800 assets and maintains an inventory of more than 370 million square feet of rentable workspace.