

Beth McGrath

Elizabeth (Beth) McGrath is a director Deloitte Consulting LLP in the Federal Strategy & Operations practice. She advises Deloitte's federal government and commercial clients, providing strategies that enable them to innovate and improve their business operations.

Beth has broad, multi-disciplined, strategic and operational management experience acquired during a highly lauded federal career that culminated at the Undersecretary level in the Department of Defense (DoD). A proven thought leader, she possesses exceptional interpersonal skills with specific expertise in strategic planning, performance management, investment review, program management, and organizational transformation.

Just prior to joining Deloitte, Beth served as the Deputy Chief Management Officer for the Department of Defense (DoD). During her tenure she addressed numerous management challenges with a variety of approaches, including instituting an investment review process for the Department's \$7 billion of "business IT" systems, authoring the DoD's Strategic Management Plan (SMP) and overseeing needed improvements to the Department's business architecture and security clearance processes. She also served as Principal Staff Assistant (PSA) and advisor to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Defense for matters relating to management and the improvement of business operations. During her tenure as DoD's first Deputy Chief Management Officer, Ms. McGrath was extraordinarily effective in redirecting the approach to business operations away from short-term, risk averse, status quo behaviors to a more strategic, enterprise focused environment. She brought a dedicated focus to improving the business operations and her business-minded approach reaped great dividends for the Defense Department in the areas of strategic planning, performance management, process improvement, and business information technology acquisition and investment management.

She also served as the vice chair of the Federal Suitability and Security Clearance Performance Accountability Council overseeing government-wide security clearance process reforms. Previously, McGrath served as the Deputy Director for Systems Integration, Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) where she created a financial migration strategy that included a comprehensive architecture and identification of DoD-wide systems valued at more than \$1 billion. She also held a variety of business/acquisition roles within the Department of the Navy.

McGrath holds a Bachelor of Science degree in economics from George Mason University and is a graduate of the Federal Executive Institute. She is a member of the National Academy of Public Administration, obtained acquisition certification in program management, financial management and logistics, and was a long-serving member of the DoD Acquisition Professional Community. Her extraordinary accomplishments earned her numerous awards including: the DoD Medal for Distinguished Public Service (twice conferred), the Presidential Rank Award, the Office of the Secretary of Defense Exceptional Civilian Service Medal, and the National Intelligence Meritorious Unit Citation. She has been recognized by Government Computer News with the Defense IT Executive of the Year award and has also received multiple Federal 100 awards.