



Biography of Dr. Cedric J. Sims, Davidsonville, MD

Dr. Cedric J. Sims is a Partner in Evermay Consulting Group, Inc. an advisory firm that provides strategic acquisition guidance to private sector clients focusing on Homeland Security and other federal agency mission areas. The company assists small, medium, and large companies with world-class government services, products and technology solutions.

Driven by strong dedication to public service, Dr. Sims has more than 22 years of experience in the fields of acquisition and risk management, cyber security, capital planning, portfolio and program governance, and systems engineering applied to homeland security missions.

Dr. Sims formerly served as the first Executive Director of the Office of Program Accountability and Risk Management (PARM) within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Office of the Under Secretary for Management from late 2010 until 2012. As Executive Director, Dr. Sims led efforts to promote better accountability of DHS acquisition investments and to mature the acquisition risk management process. This focus evolved the DHS acquisition process through enhanced operational governance and vigilance over the department's tolerance for risk in the execution of \$18 billion of acquisition investment programs. Dr. Sims' portfolio included policy, governance, support services, program management certification and training, and risk management strategies related to program execution. He chaired the Centers of Excellence Council and provided strategic leadership to Component Acquisition Executives.

Dr. Sims was selected in May 2009 to serve as Executive Director of the Enterprise Business Management Office (EBMO) within the DHS Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO). As Executive Director, Dr. Sims oversaw enterprise strategies for governance of \$6.4 billion of IT investments across DHS. He developed and executed portfolio and program management strategies aligned with the DHS Enterprise Architecture and business processes for Capital Planning and Investment Control, departmental budget formulation and acquisition reviews.

Before joining DHS Headquarters, Dr. Sims served at the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) from 2001 until 2009. Dr. Sims' leadership experience at Secret Service includes assignments as Branch Chief of Network Management, DHS Senior Infrastructure Officer, and interagency communication coordination roles at the Salt Lake City Winter Olympics, G8 Summit in Sea Island and various United Nations General Assemblies. In his last assignment, Dr. Sims was the key Secret Service leader responsible for defining, developing, and implementing a concept of future operations to provide context for investment decisions. Additionally, he facilitated the development of the Secret Service's first, portfolio-based, five-year budget that aligned with agency, departmental, and presidential objectives. From 1990 to 2000, Dr. Sims served in various management and research roles for the Texas A&M University System to include promoting federal, state, and local interoperability through the Advanced Law Enforcement and Response Technology (ALERT) program.

Dr. Sims earned a bachelor of science in Computer Science and a bachelor of science in Journalism and holds a doctorate in Engineering from Texas A&M University. Dr. Sims is married to Rebekah Sims, DVM. They have four children.