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Marie Mak is a Director in the Acquisition and Sourcing Management team with the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Ms. Mak leads work on a wide range of defense contract management issues and defense homeland security acquisitions, as well as the defense industrial base and critical technologies, designated as one of GAO's High Risk areas. Ms. Mak joined GAO in 2002 in the Defense Capabilities and Management team, conducting reviews focused largely on logistics issues and eventually managing a portfolio on national security interagency collaboration and partner capacity building, ballistic missile, and defense management issues. She serves in various stewardship activities, including GAO's recruitment and hiring efforts and leading a Continuous Process Improvement project to assist mission teams in establishing outreach priorities for Congressional clients.

Prior to GAO, Ms. Mak worked at the Naval Air Systems Command and the U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters. In the Coast Guard, she was primarily responsible for engineering oversight and coordinating resources and priorities with program managers for Coast Guard command and control systems for afloat and ashore units. She later moved into strategic planning, developing strategic plans and a performance measurements framework for the engineering logistics directorate.

Ms. Mak has received numerous GAO awards, including a Customer Service Award, Meritorious Service Award, and the John Henry Luke Mentoring Award. Ms. Mak graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering with a Cooperative Education Program with the National Security Agency, from the University of Maryland, College Park in 1989. In 2001, she received a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, National Defense University.