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Luwanda F. Jones serves as a senior executive for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) as the Deputy Chief Information Officer for the Office of Strategic Sourcing in the Office of Information and Technology (OIT). As the Deputy Chief Information Officer for Strategic Sourcing, she supports OIT and the Department by providing executive oversight and leadership for developing plans and processes necessary to control, optimize, and leverage the volume of acquisition actions associated with the Department's IT/ IT-related needs and requirements. She provides IT acquisition policy, plans, and guidelines for all IT acquisitions valued at over \$4.5 billion annually. She works directly with VA's Chief Information

Officer to ensure the accountability and responsibility documented in the Federal IT Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA) for IT-related acquisitions, implementing, monitoring, and following the FITARA legislation and IT Category Management processes throughout the Department. She is responsible for IT Vendor Relationships within the Office of Information and Technology.

Ms. Jones is a retired US Army Colonel who served for 28 years in various senior acquisition and information technology positions. She holds two master's degrees—one from the National Defense University in National Resource Strategy and the other from Webster University in Computer Resources and Information Technology. Ms. Jones is a student at Temple University's Executive Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA) program. She plans to focus her dissertation on Healthcare Supply Chain Resilience in the Federal Government, exploring the global value chain of Healthcare Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).