

Harrison Smith

Harrison Smith has served the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as the Acquisition Innovation Advocate since November 2023, supporting the digital and acquisition portfolios of the agency. Previously, he was the Director of Enterprise Digitalization at the Internal Revenue Service, where he supported IRS efforts to modernize systems, simplify business processes, and empower taxpayers and IRS employees to rapidly resolve issues in a simplified digital environment.



Harrison also served the IRS as the Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, where he was responsible for supporting all acquisition programs, over \$2.6B in contract spend, and more than 12,000 contract actions per year for equipment, supplies, and services for IRS and Treasury Departmental Offices.

Before joining the IRS, Harrison served as the Industry Liaison for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In this role, he was responsible for providing leadership and direction for DHS office and outside officials for all aspects of the DHS industry engagement program. He also served as a principal advisor to the Chief Procurement Officer on matters relating to all aspects of procurement, particularly transformative approaches to leveraging technology to support the DHS mission. He was a warranted Contracting Officer for more than two decades at the Naval Sea Systems Command and various offices of DHS, where he supported major weapons systems programs, foreign military sales, research and development portfolios, and multi-billion dollar IT programs.

Harrison lives in Virginia with his wife and children. He holds a B.A. in International Relations and an M.A. in US Foreign Policy from the American University, an M.B.A. from George Washington University, and an Executive Certificate in Public Leadership from the Harvard Kennedy School.