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BIOGRAPHY



Mr. Gracia is Director for Strategic Enterprise Programs at the Department of State, in the Center for Acquisition Experience (CAE), Bureau of Administration, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE). He leads programs for the new Acquisition Experience (AcqX) program across the Department. This program defines AcqX as the perceptions and touchpoints professionals, customers, and stakeholders have of the OPE brand, based on their collective touchpoints with the Acquisition ecosystem.

In this role at the CAE, he also leads efforts to establish Innovation and Industry Liaison Programs for the Department. Further, he is responsible for dedicated program management of A/OPE investments for the IT portfolio, in addition to the cognitive procurement tools portfolio, including Robotic Process Automation, Artificial Intelligence, and Machine Learning capabilities designed to reduce friction for State procurement professionals, improve outcomes for their customers, and better engage with their industry counterparts. Mr. Gracia also provides leadership to re-imagine the role of category management, vendor management, and value engineering at the Department and assisting with steering supply chain risk management and climate resilience initiatives.

Prior to his current position, Mr. Gracia led efforts at the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to provide innovative acquisition services and emerging technologies to ensure IRS procurement personnel execute the role as business advisers and partners, and create agile contract solutions to ensure the IRS can meet its mission of effective tax administration.

He was also formally Section Chief with the Department of Homeland Security, Cyber Security and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), National Risk Management (NRM), where he provided leadership to NRM acquisition and program management initiatives for cyber and physical critical infrastructure interdependence, and the impact of a cyber-threat or incident to the nation's critical infrastructure.

Prior to resuming public service, Mr. Gracia was President and CEO of Seville Government Consulting, LLC. He has 20 years of professional experience providing consulting support for the acquisition and management of services and technology in the government and commercial sector including DoD and Federal civilian agencies, which includes consulting on effectively using digital services, data analytics, cyber security, and agile methodologies to innovative and transform government management.

He is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, author, speaker, and active member of numerous trade and industry associations focusing on federal government and contracting issues facing our nation.



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