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## **Marie A. Collins**

### **Administrative Judge and Dispute Resolution Officer**

Administrative Judge Collins joined the FAA Office of Adjudication in May of 1998. In this capacity, Judge Collins provides administrative adjudication and dispute resolution services in Acquisition Management System (AMS) bid protests and contract disputes, civil penalty appeals and other matters, on behalf of the FAA Administrator.

Judge Collins has over 30 years of Federal Government contract law experience. While at the ODRA, Judge Collins has been involved in the adjudication of over one hundred AMS cases. Judge Collins also has broad experience as a neutral/mediator using collaborative methods of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) to assist the parties in achieving voluntary resolutions in a manner that best suits their needs.

Prior to joining the FAA, Judge Collins served as Assistant General Counsel of the General Services Administration from August 1987 until May 1998, providing legal advice and representation before the General Services Board of Contract Appeals (GSBCA) and Government Accountability Office (GAO).

Judge Collins has served as a Vice Chair of the American Bar Association (ABA) Public Contract Law Section Contract Claims and Disputes Resolution Committee, as well as the ABA's Bid Protest and Alternative Dispute Resolution Committees. Judge Collins is a co-author of the articles: "The FAA ODRA: A Tenth Anniversary Report," published in the Spring 2008 Edition of The Procurement Lawyer, issued by the ABA Section of Public Contract Law, and "The FAA's Unique Disputes Process: A Primer," published in the Air Space Lawyer, Vol. 22, No. 1, 2008. She also served as a Program Co-Chair of the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Federal Procurement Institute Program "Mitigating Business Risks and Legal Liabilities in Federal Contracting" sponsored by the ABA Section of Public Contract Law and National Contract Management Association.

Judge Collins is a graduate of Indiana University (B.A., Political Science, 1984) and the Indiana University Law School (J.D. 1987), where she was a Managing Editor of the Indiana Law Journal. Judge Collins is a member of the Illinois Bar.