



Procurement, Contracts and Grants Leadership Profile



Maurice L. Rawls, Sr.

Global Leadership and In-tact Team Coach and Mentor
Executive Director of Contract and Grants
Retired Veteran- United States Navy Lieutenant
Honorable Disabled Veteran

EXPERIENCE:

Education, Leadership & Affiliations:

- University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS (BBA- Economics)
- United States Navy Lieutenant
- Section Chief US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Contracting Officer, Resolution Trust Corporation
- Associate Environmental Director, Parkland Hospital
- 20+ years of Procurement, Contracting and Grants
- Staff and Governmental Agency Coaching and Mentoring

Industry Experience:

- Government Procurement Expert
- Contract Management (\$750 million)
- Grant Specialist (Complex, Legislative)
- Governance and Compliance
- Environmental Services
- Supply Chain Management and GPO
- Workforce Transformation and Talent Acquisition

PROFESSIONAL BIO:

Maurice is an innovative, strategic leader and dynamic consultant with 30 + years of operations management experience; and a 20+ year record of managing Contracts and Grants for one of the largest military organizations, the United States Navy. He has a long-standing reputation of forging strong relationships with internal and external business partners alike. His formal training and global exposure has cultivated his experience in remediating critical quality execution gaps. His exceptional skill of recruiting, building, and sustaining top-performing teams in both public and private sectors has yielded a countless number of hi-potential leaders and mentees to pass through his highly acclaimed approach.

Maurice is highly skilled in Federal Contracting and Organizational Compliance programs. He has performed decades of comprehensive analysis of governmental procurement systems to ensure compliance adherence. He has led and mentored organizations through the fragile aspects of risk management and solicitations (cradle to grave); chaired and facilitated technical evaluation panels; and served as chief administrator of vendor management practices. Maurice has been recognized for quality assurance programs that ensure continual success with all applicable federal rules/regulations/laws.

As Chief of the Water Infrastructure Section, Maurice was responsible for implementing and managing highly controversial and complex water and wastewater grant programs exceeding \$1.5 billion annually to the five States within EPA Region 6's realm of responsibility. He routinely collaborated with Public Works Directors, City Managers, Mayors, State and Federal Congressional delegations to critically assess the water/wastewater needs of a given community, providing the respective clients with myriad plausible options to achieve their objective(s). Interfaced daily with Water Directors of State Environmental Agencies, as well as EPA Headquarters' Water Division Leadership to discuss the challenges of the water/wastewater grant program, and develop/strategize best alternatives to address the given challenge/opportunity. Championed 50 - year water models to enable communities to not only assess their water/wastewater needs of today, but more importantly, to project their water needs 50 years in the future. This tried and proven methodology provided the impetus for the communities to take a hard look at their existing water infrastructure, develop and adopt optimization strategies, and to review population trend projections to assist in their "repair" or "replace" analysis of their existing water system.