

Harriet Richardson

Harriet Richardson recently retired as the first Inspector General for the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District. She has more than 30 years of experience conducting audits and investigations at the federal, state, and local levels of government. She is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Internal Auditor, Certified Government Audit Professional, and Certified in Risk Management Assurance. She graduated with presidential honors from City University in Seattle with a bachelor's degree in accounting and a master's degree in business administration with an emphasis in financial management.

Harriet served for five years on the board of the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA), including a term as president and is past chair of ALGA's Professional Issues Committee. She has served as a local government representative on the Association of Government Accountant's (AGA) Financial Management Standards Board and the GAO's Government Audit Standards Advisory Council and is currently ALGA's representative on the Government Accounting Standards Advisory Council and The Institute of Internal Auditors' International Internal Auditing Standards Board.

She has served on numerous ALGA peer review teams, written articles for ALGA's *Local Government Auditing Quarterly*, and provided presentations at many conferences for ALGA and other professional organizations. Harriet has received several of ALGA's Knighton Awards, ALGA's Lifetime Achievement Award, the AGA's Excellent in Government Leadership Award in 2017, and the David M. Walker Excellence in Government Performance and Accountability Award in 2018.