

**AGA – Oklahoma City Chapter**  
**May 19, 2010 Audio Conference**

***Those Faint Signals: Learning to Catch Ethical Slippage Before It's Too Late***

AGA, in conjunction with the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT) and the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA), is pleased to announce a new and increasingly important topic to our audio conference schedule – cases of ethical lapses.

During this audio conference, the presenter will recount some recent ethical lapses in government and examine the causes and effects. By examining a series of ethical lapses, we find that a pattern emerges. That pattern allows us to think about this question: What is it in the culture of an agency that allows obvious ethical breaches to occur and continue? Once we understand the culture, we can think about putting the detection methods, as well as antidotes, in place.

The compliance training, the codes, and all those easily measurable components of ethical culture may not tell the full story. Without the full story, we can never be sure that we are catching all those gradual slips. The full story requires consideration of factors that are not easily placed into dashboard measures. The presenter takes a look at some of the faint signals which appear long before the ethical troubles emerge.

To share her expertise in ethical behavior and its ramifications is **Marianne M. Jennings**, JD, Professor in the Department of Management in the W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University (ASU). At ASU, Marianne teaches graduate courses in the MBA program in business ethics and the legal environment of business. Professor Jennings has authored hundreds of articles and has six textbooks and monographs in circulation. Marianne's latest book, *The Seven Signs of Ethical Collapse*, was published by St. Martin's Press in July 2006. She has conducted more than 300 workshops and seminars in the areas of business, personal, government, legal, academic and professional ethics. Among her many awards and honors, Marianne was inducted into the AGA Speakers' Hall of Fame and also received a writers' award for best article in AGA's *Journal of Government Financial Management*.

- Date:** Wednesday, May 19, 2010  
**Time:** 1:00 – 2:50 p.m. Central Standard Time  
**Location:** Office of Personnel Management, 560 Conference Room; Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 (*Note: Access to the Jim Thorpe Building is restricted to individuals with photo IDs. Purses, briefcases, packages, etc. are subject to search by the Capitol Patrol.*)  
**Cost:** \$20 for members; \$40 for non-members  
**CPE:** Two hours  
**Learning Objectives:** To understand how ethical breaches are influenced by agency culture, what are the key signs of ethical slips and what can be done to prevent such occurrences in the first place.  
**Field of Study:** Behavioral Ethics - Please note that this course qualifies for continuing professional education credits under NASBA; however, the material provided in this audio conference is general in nature and not specific to any laws or rules of any specific state. Therefore, please check with your State Board of Accountancy if you have any questions regarding the CPE eligibility of this course.

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**Registration Deadline: May 17, 2010**

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**May 19, 2010 Audio Conference**      *Registration Form*      *(One form per person, photocopies accepted)*

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