

Chief Information Security Officer of the Commonwealth & VITA Internal Audit Officer



Peggy is a native of Louisville, Kentucky. She holds a degree in accounting from Virginia Commonwealth University and is a graduate of the Virginia Executive Institute.

Peggy's information security and audit experience spans 24 years, including 21 years at the Departments of General Services, Transportation and State Internal Auditor, as well as a year at Southern Bank and Trust Company.

As Chief Information Security Officer, she has developed and is implementing enhanced information security standards, policies and guidelines with expanding state agency scope; formed and sponsors an Information Security Officers Advisory Group of all Commonwealth entity persons interested in information security to share challenges and opportunities in government IT security as well as a Commonwealth Information Security Council of selected state agency representatives to strengthen the information security posture of the Commonwealth with focused initiatives.

Prior to her current role, Peggy served as the Freedom of Information Act Coordinator, managed the DGS Information Security Program and successfully chaired interdisciplinary teams such as the DGS Continuity of Operations Plan Team and the DGS Newborn Screening Cost Recovery Team. She has made presentations at the Virginia Public Procurement Forum on the Freedom of Information Act and Continuity of Operations Planning. She was selected by the Secretary of Finance to serve as Acting State Internal Auditor. Prior to her Commonwealth career, Peggy served in the U. S. Army as an air traffic controller and as a recruiter. Most recently, Peggy was recognized as a National Finalist for the Information Security Executive of the Year Award in the government category for 2007.

Peggy lives in Bon Air with her husband and their two miniature schnauzers. Peggy's daughter Cherie resides in Philadelphia.