

Introduction to Federal Suspension and Debarment

- Marks important distinctions between debarment (i.e., a final decision based on past waste, fraud, abuse, poor performance, or noncompliance) and suspension (i.e., a temporary decision)
- Recounts the historical basis for a government-wide debarment system—from the Congressional act of 1884 to the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency (1983) and beyond
- Delineates the roles and responsibilities of all the major oversight players—from OIG to the suspension and debarment official (SDO) to the Interagency Suspension and Debarment Committee