## **Truth-in-Negotiation Act (TINA) Experience**

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- Assisted a multi-billion dollar Department of Energy contractor with transition to cost-plus, CAS-covered environment, including identification of unallowable costs; compliance with FAR, CAS and TINA; preparation of indirect cost rates; and submission of initial Final Indirect Cost Rate proposal. Developed position papers for contentious issues related to restructuring costs, including accounting for mass severance and asset impairments.
- For a bio-pharmaceutical manufacturer (supporting Project BioShield for the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention), led a project to support transition from Fixed-Price to Cost-Reimbursable contracting, including assessment of business practices, development of indirect cost structure and calculation of indirect cost rates, preparation of cost proposals and pricing of equitable adjustments in compliance with TINA and FAR requirements, and generation of policies and procedures to aid in contract compliance (Estimating, Purchasing, Socioeconomic Reporting, Billing).
- Participated in supporting investigations of alleged False Claims Act violations and defective pricing allegations. Primary liaison with DCAA and Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS)..
- Under direction of external counsel, led the investigation into Government contract cost accounting practices and business controls of a \$150 million Navy equipment manufacturer, including review of alleged TINA violations and indirect rate calculation errors.