

## **Federal Appropriations Law Course Description**

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As the source of Government funding, the Federal Appropriations process profoundly affects any project, contract, grant, or activity that uses Federal funds. Further, the appropriations process and Federal fiscal law requirements not only control what will be authorized and funded, but can direct how the funds will flow and be managed; what fiscal requirements must be complied with; penalties for violations; and more.

This specially developed program is a comprehensive treatment of the most important fiscal law principles that Government personnel must know. The program covers the entire budgetary process, from budget submission to contract for payment - how it moves forward and evolves at each key step.

The program begins with a review of the process by which agencies receive budget authority, the requirement to account for and administratively subdivide appropriated amounts, and the manner in which agencies commit funds and record obligations. In addition, the program details the limitations that Congress places on appropriated funds as to time, purpose and amount, and explains how violations of the Antideficiency Act are identified, reported and investigated. The program also covers operations during funding gaps and continuing resolutions and the impact of Federal appropriations law on the rights of contractors.

In addition to detailed lectures, you will receive a valuable written text of materials-for use during the program and as a guide to the appropriations, budgetary and fiscal law processes.