

## Not Much to Say

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We've been absent from these parts for a while now, and some may be wondering "what's up with that?"

The title says it all: Things have been quiet lately.

DCAA hasn't published any MRD's since May. The FAR Councils, and DAR Council in particular, seem to have paused in the rule-making process—perhaps wrestling with how to implement the "issue one-eliminate two" Trump Executive Order. It's been several weeks since we found any new legal decisions that piqued our interest. The Section 809 panel has gone silent. We are waiting to see what the final language of the 2018 NDAA will look like. And we are tired of reporting the run-of-the-mill fraud and corruption stories that seem endemic to public procurement.

So: not much to say.

Even though blog posts have ceased, we've stayed busy. We've been polishing up our new training offering, focused on subcontract cost and pricing issues. We'll be delivering the first session mid-October. Not to be egregiously self-serving, but if you want your subcontract administrators trained in the FAR requirements—*and not just trained in the requirements, but trained in the flexibility found within the requirements*—then you could do a lot worse than reach out to us and see if we can come to you and deliver the training. The session is timed at between four and six hours, depending on how many exercises and discussions clients want. In other words, we will tailor the training to emphasize what you want emphasized.

We've also got a couple of long-term projects still ongoing. We hope very much to write about one of them in the future, once things resolve and we get permission from the client and counsel. If we get permission, we think it will be a doozy of a story, involving a prime contractor's management of one of its subcontractors. (We have been supporting the subcontractor.) Until then, however, nothing can be said.

Be patient, readers. We will publish articles again when there is something of value to add to

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the conversation. In the meantime, if you want to email us with topic suggestions or links to stories that you suspect would make an interesting article, please do so! And if you ever feel the need to submit a “guest blog” entry, we’d be interested in that as well.

Talk to you later.