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Dr. Farley currently serves as the Director, Transformational programs in the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Policy & Systems). Dr. Farley leads several enterprise-level initiatives including the STARS to SABRS transition, G-Invoicing, and Feeder System Consolidation. These initiatives are designed to assess alternative system solutions to rationalize financial management systems and enable audit proven capabilities across the DON enterprise. Between 2013 and 2015 Dr. Farley served as the CNIC Director, Financial Management Operations, Navy Installations Command. In this role he was in charge of Accounting (N82), Systems (N83) and the Financial Improvement and Audit Readiness (FIAR) team.

Since 1989 Dr. Farley has worked in and for the federal government in the financial management and budget area. His previous assignments include ten years in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller), four years in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), and two years in the Office of the Defense Intelligence Agency Chief Financial Executive. Between 2005 and 2010, Dr. Farley was a Program Manager for the DoD financial management practice at LMI, a private, not-for-profit government consulting firm.

Dr. Farley earned his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of California, Berkeley in 1986; his Masters in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government in 1989; and his Doctor of Philosophy from the School of Policy, Government, and International Affairs at George Mason University in 2014.

During his career Dr. Farley has been the recipient of many awards including the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award (2016), the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award (2014), the Association of Government Accountants Northern Virginia Chapter, Pentagon Memorial Service Award (2005), and the American Society of Military

Comptrollers Financial Systems Award and the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) Financial Management Systems Award (1998). He has served as a thought leader in the defense financial management field and has published several articles on the subject.