

**§ 180.1005 State.**

- (a) *State* means—
- (1) Any of the states of the United States;
  - (2) The District of Columbia;
  - (3) The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;
  - (4) Any territory or possession of the United States; or
  - (5) Any agency or instrumentality of a state.
- (b) For purposes of this part, *State* does not include institutions of higher education, hospitals, or units of local government.

**§ 180.1010 Suspending official.**

- (a) *Suspending official* means an agency official who is authorized to impose suspension. The suspending official is either:
- (1) The agency head; or
  - (2) An official designated by the agency head.

**§ 180.1015 Suspension.**

*Suspension* is an action taken by a suspending official under subpart G of

this part that immediately prohibits a person from participating in covered transactions and transactions covered under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR chapter 1) for a temporary period, pending completion of an agency investigation and any judicial or administrative proceedings that may ensue. A person so excluded is suspended.

**§ 180.1020 Voluntary exclusion or voluntarily excluded.**

- (a) *Voluntary exclusion* means a person's agreement to be excluded under the terms of a settlement between the person and one or more agencies. Voluntary exclusion must have governmentwide effect.
- (b) *Voluntarily excluded* means the status of a person who has agreed to a voluntary exclusion.

APPENDIX TO PART 180—COVERED  
TRANSACTIONS