



Cynthia E. Gonsalves
Principle Member

Gonsalves Strategies and Solutions, LLC (GS&S LLC) was founded in July 2011. Mrs. Gonsalves is the principle member and provides advice and services on technology transfer, technology transition, economic development, and use of government programs to assist small and start-up companies move technology into products and onto the market. She is developing training course modules on technology transfer for the Defense Acquisition University and reviewing the use of technology transfer tools in moving technology into acquisition for the Navy.

Prior to establishing GS&S LLC, Mrs. Gonsalves was the Director, Office of Technology Transition (OTT). In this position, Ms. Gonsalves had oversight of the Manufacturing Technology Program, Defense Production Act Title III Program, DoD Technology Transfer Program, Technology Transition Initiative, and the North American Technology and Industrial Base Organization (NATIBO). She provided guidance and developed plans to implement and improve the DoD technology transfer and transition programs to ensure coherent, although decentralized programs. Within the NATIBO, she provided guidance and developed plans with the Services, other federal agencies, and Canada.

Before working in the OTT, Mrs. Gonsalves was responsible for industrial base policy issues such as industrial preparedness planning, natural disaster planning, and materials availability. She was instrumental in Defense Production Act programs (both the Defense Priority and Allocations Systems under Title I and purchases under Title III), facilities usage, and assessments of specific materials and industries such as beryllium and kevlar. She also supported NATIBO studies on Metal Matrix Composites, Batteries, Collaborative Virtual Prototyping, Ion Beam Processing Technologies, and Corrosion Detection Technologies.

AWARDS:

Nominated for the 2011 Manufacturing Extension Partnership Lifetime Achievement award from Department of Commerce

Mrs. Gonsalves is the recipient of:

Joint Meritorious Unit Award, OUSD(A&T), 1997

Federal Laboratory Consortium Departmental Achievement Award, 2002, 2004 -2011

DoD Exceptional Civilian Service Award, 2001 and 2011

DoD Exceptional Civilian Service Award with Bronze Palm , 2011

DoD George Linsteadt Technology Transfer Achievement Award, 2011

NATIBO Chairmen's Certificate of Appreciation, 2011

EDUCATION:

Mrs. Gonsalves graduated from Averett University in 1996 with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. She completed the Program for Developing Executives at Simmons College in 1992 and completed production and contracting courses at the Air Force Institute of Technology.