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AGA Names Recipient for Excellence in Government Leadership Award

Richard V. Norment, CGFM, CIA, Assistant to the Comptroller, recently received the Excellence in Government Leadership Award from the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) at the 8th Annual National Leadership Conference and Exposition in Washington, D.C.

The Excellence in Government Leadership Award was formally established to recognize a government professional who exemplifies and promotes excellence in government, outstanding leadership, high ethical standards and innovative management procedures.

The award was presented in recognition of Mr. Norment's distinguished record of service to the Comptroller of the Treasury's office, where he is responsible for the annual audits of all 95 Tennessee county governments. Due to his successful management of the audit process, all 95 counties are now in total compliance with the financial reporting standards outlined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board in Statement 34.

Mr. Norment has spent his professional career with the Comptroller's office after joining the Division of County Audit as a financial and compliance auditor soon after graduation from college. Mr. Norment progressed through various supervisory audit levels within the division prior to assuming the responsibilities of his current position.

Mr. Norment serves in a key management position for the Comptroller of the Treasury, a constitutional officer elected by the General Assembly. The duties of the Comptroller include the audit of state and local government entities as well as participation in the general financial and administrative management of state government. Mr. Norment was appointed in December 2005 to serve as the office's strategic planning coordinator.

Mr. Norment has held numerous leadership positions within AGA. He has served as national president 2001-2002 and as national treasurer 1997-1998. He served as president of the Nashville chapter 1982-1983 and as chair of several committees. He received the Achievement of the Year Award 1985-1986.

AGA, a national professional association of 15,000+ members, represents every level of government financial management, and the association awards the CGFM to those who exhibit excellence in the specific skills needed for the broad area of government financial management.

The Nashville Chapter AGA represents approximately 400 members who are dedicated to improving financial management in federal, state, and local governments in Tennessee.

For more information on the Nashville Chapter AGA, log onto www.nashvilleaga.org/ or www.agacgm.org for the national website.