

The Dodd-Frank financial reform law created Offices of Minority and Women Inclusion (OMWIs) in 20 federal financial regulatory agencies.

The OMWIs are tasked with promoting diversity within regulatory agencies and with ensuring that regulated financial entities “[fairly include and utilize] minorities, women, and minority-owned and women-owned businesses ... in procurement, insurance, and all types of contracts.”

In particular, the OMWIs are responsible for drawing a critical eye to contracting policies and practices in 18 professional service areas, such as legal services and accounting. We are working directly with OMWI directors and staffs to promote these goals.