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## GTSC Expands Strategic Advisors

Cooper, Stolarski, Haney and Holland further enhance A-list of  
homeland and national security leaders

**Washington, D.C. – February 20, 2013** – The Government Technology & Services Coalition (GTSC) announced today that former Acting Assistant Administrator for Information Services & Chief Information Officer of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Steve Cooper and Jim Stolarski, a renowned senior management consulting executive, have joined GTSC's board of strategic advisors. P. Allen Haney, fellow for the American Society of Association Executives and president of P. Allen Haney Company and Earl Holland, vice president of the Strategic Alliance Professionals Washington, D.C. chapter and CEO of Growth Strategy Consultants also joined the board.

"I have always been committed to the small and mid-sized business community, and believe GTSC offers a terrific platform for sharing my experience and lessons learned to help government and industry leaders work together more effectively," said Cooper. "I'm excited to engage with the incredible community within GTSC committed to achieving the mission of homeland and national security despite these austere budgets."

In addition to his work at the FAA, Cooper was the first CIO of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), where he led the IT strategy for homeland security, guided the implementation of unclassified and classified networks for the new department and provided the vision for the use of IT across the department. He formerly served as vice president and CIO of the American Red Cross and special assistant to the president for homeland security and senior director for information integration in the White House Office of Homeland Security. Mr. Cooper was named one of the top 100 CIOs in America by CIO Insight.

Jim Stolarski brings over 28 years of experience in strategy, operations reengineering and mergers and acquisitions to the Coalition, a decade of that working with public agencies within the departments of homeland security, justice and state. He retired from Accenture in 2011 and currently advises small and large businesses through his firm Nextesse.

"GTSC has created an exciting nexus of government and industry at a critical time for the country. The dedication of these people to our nation's homeland and security missions is refreshing, and I look forward to contributing my experience helping companies execute exceptionally to forward our mutual goals of a safer, more resilient country," said Stolarski.

They join a number of esteemed advisors, including Chani Wiggins, former assistant secretary for legislative affairs at DHS; Richard Skinner, former inspector general for DHS; Michelle Mrdeza, former majority staff director, House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security; Jim Williams, former commissioner of the General Services Administration's Federal Acquisition Service; Dr. Steve Bucci, former deputy assistant secretary of defense for homeland defense and defense support to civil authorities, and Bill Carroll, former official for U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. See all the strategic advisors at [www.GTSCoalition.com](http://www.GTSCoalition.com).

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