



# DARS: The Rule-Making Process



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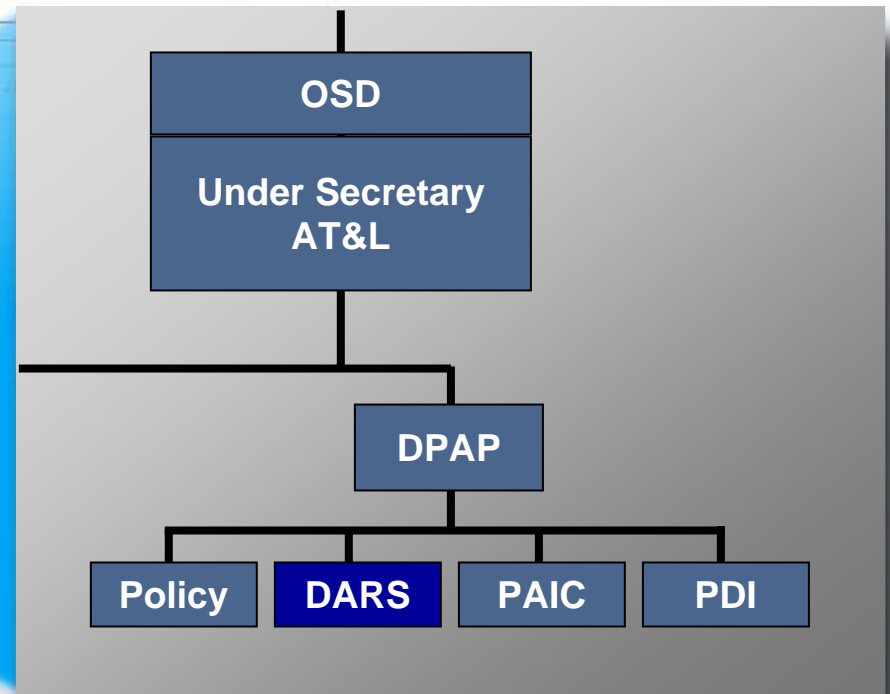
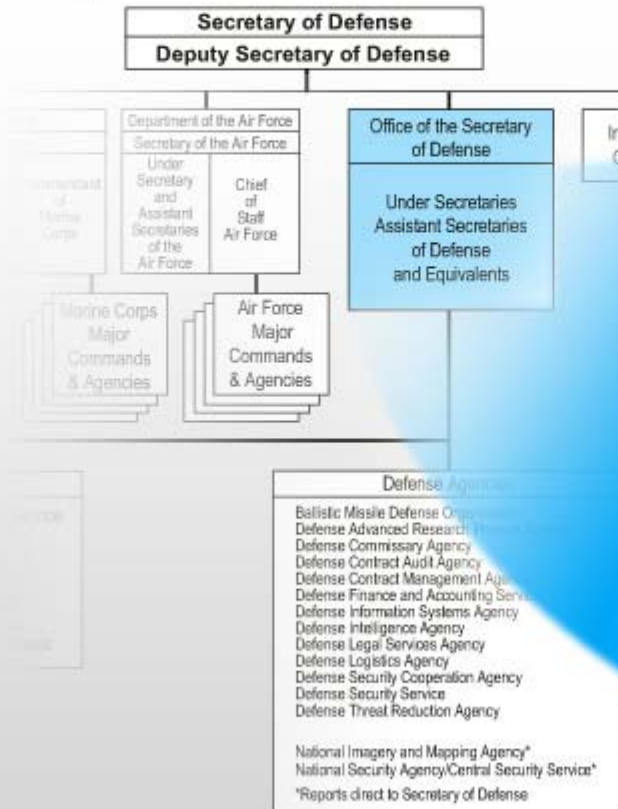
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  - Your Role in the Process
- ▶ **Pertinent Cases**
- ▶ **How You Can Become Involved**
- ▶ **Pulling it All Together**





# Department of Defense (DoD) & DARS

## Department of Defense





# DPAP Directorates

## ▶ DARS

- Implements statutes and mission focused policies, procedures and guidance in FAR, DFARS and PGI

## ▶ Policy

- Focal point for developing new, innovative acquisition policies and improving existing DoD acquisition policies

## ▶ Program Acquisition and International Contracting

- Responsible for DoD 5000 series policies and business strategies for acquisition programs and international contracting issues

## ▶ Program Development and Integration

- Creates policies for uniquely identifying tangible items
- Develops and implements strategies for purchase card



# DoD & DARS: Supporting the Warfighter

## Our Mission

**The Defense Acquisition Regulations System (DARS) develops and maintains acquisition rules and guidance to facilitate the Acquisition workforce as they acquire the goods and services DoD requires to ensure America's Warfighters' continued worldwide success.**





# Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)

- ▶ Regulations required by law and policy
- ▶ Rules apply to Federal government agencies
- ▶ Content determined by FAR Council
  - Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP)
  - Department of Defense (DoD)
  - General Services Administration (GSA)
  - National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
- ▶ DPAP represents DoD on FAR Council





# Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS)

- ▶ Regulations required by law or policy
- ▶ Rules apply to DoD
- ▶ Content determined by DAR Council
  - Military Services
  - Defense Agencies
  - DAR Council Chair
- ▶ DARS leads and guides the DAR Council



# Procedures, Guidance and Information (PGI)

- ▶ **Internal DoD procedures**
- ▶ **Provides a central point for locating:**
  - Agency guidance
  - Training
  - Guides
  - Outside resources
  - OSD policy letters
  - Other pertinent information
- ▶ **Companion resource to the DFARS**
- ▶ **Single access-point to internal DoD acquisition procedures, policy training and class deviations**

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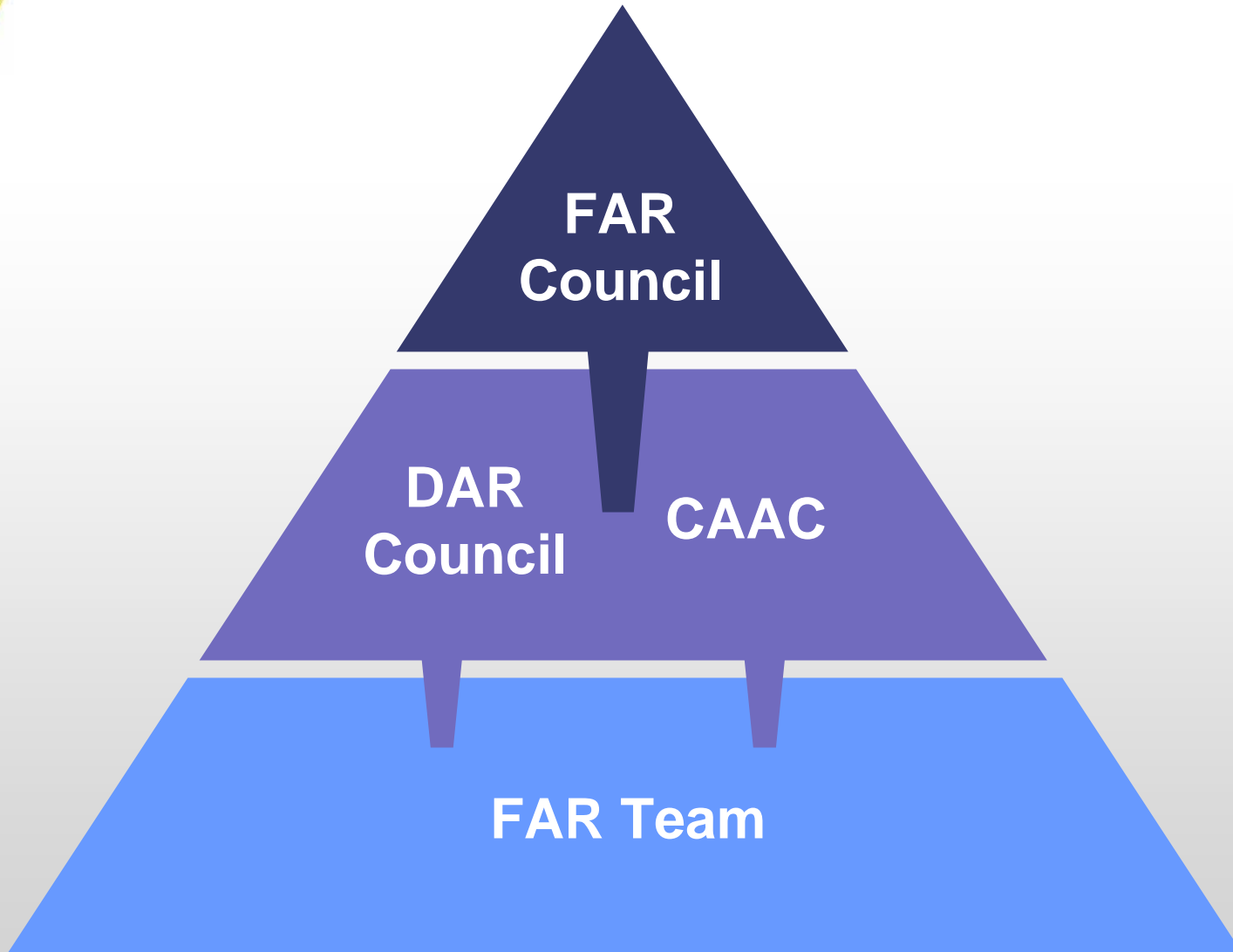


# The Rulemaking Process





# FAR Council Structure





# Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Council

## ► Responsibilities:

- Provide overall strategy to the DAR Council and CAAC
- Resolve disagreements between the DAR Council and CAAC

## ► Members:

- Administrator, Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP)
- Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy (DPAP), DoD
- Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, GSA
- Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, NASA





# Defense Acquisition Regulation (DAR) Council

## ► Responsibilities:

- Promulgate the DFARS and PGI
- Promulgate the FAR (in conjunction with CAAC)

## ► Members:

- Representatives from the Military Services and Defense Agencies
- Representatives from NASA
- DoD DAR Council Chair





# Civilian Agency Acquisition Council (CAAC)

## ▶ CAAC Members:

- Representatives from the Civilian Agencies
- GSA CAAC Chair

## ▶ Responsibilities:

- Promulgate the FAR (in conjunction with DARC)
- Publish Federal Register (FR) notices, solicit public comments
  - Advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR)
  - Proposed and interim rules
- Publish Final rules in FR
- Hold public meetings
- Review all public comments and provide responses in FR
- Reach agreement on FAR changes





# Sources of FAR/DFARS/PGI Changes

Legislation

IG & GAO Recommendations

Court Decisions

OFPP Policy Letters

Executive Orders

Agency Recommendations

Individual Recommendations

Industry Recommendations

Policy Changes (e.g., USD (AT&L), DPAP)

FAR  
DFARS  
PGI



# FAR Change Process

## FAR Council

- Director, DAR Council
- NASA, DAR Council Rep.
- Chairman, CAA Council

FAR Team

DAR Council/CAAC

OFPP/OIRA

Federal Register

Proposed  
Rule

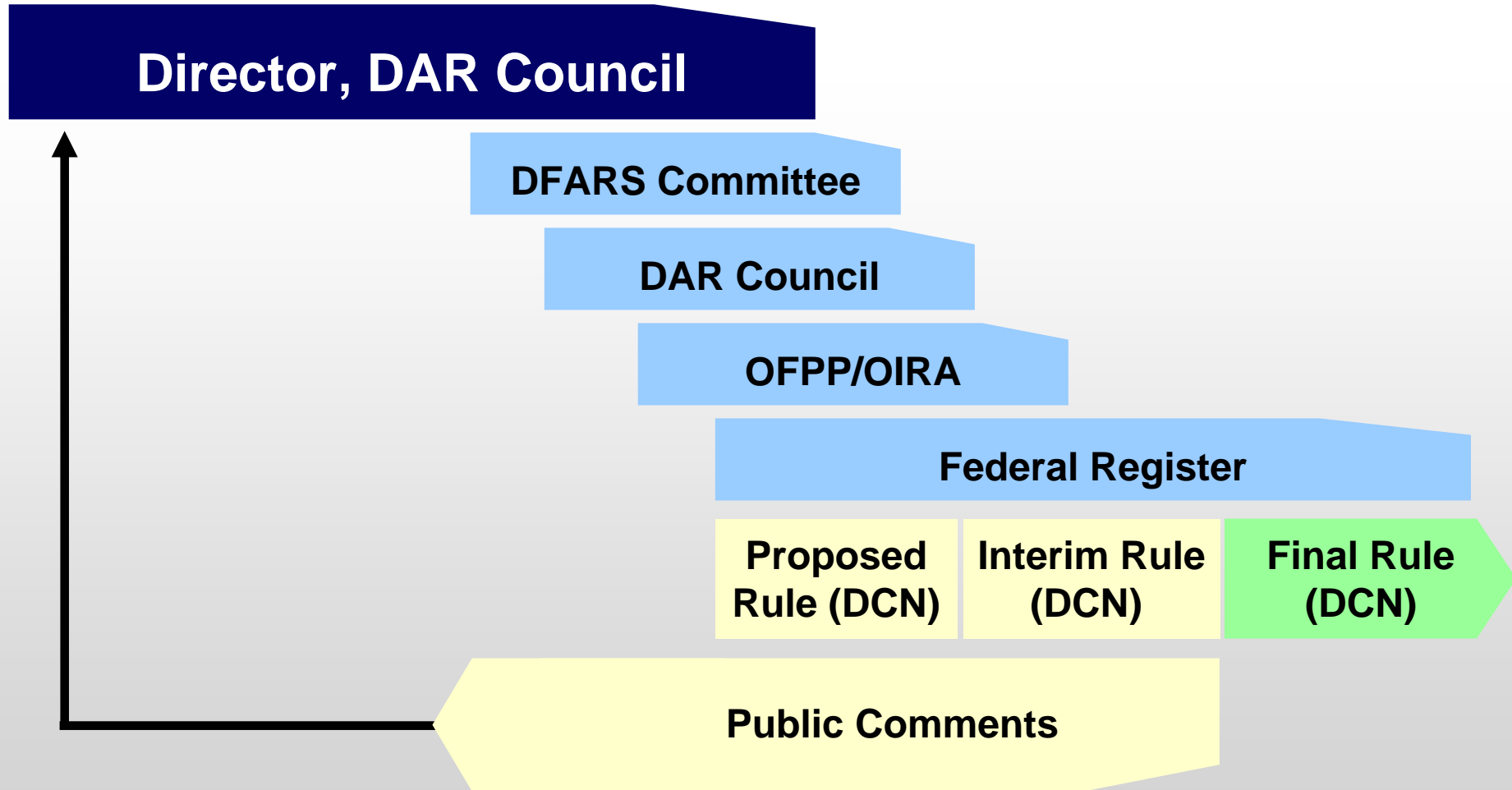
Interim Rule  
(FAC)

Final Rule  
(FAC)

Public Comments



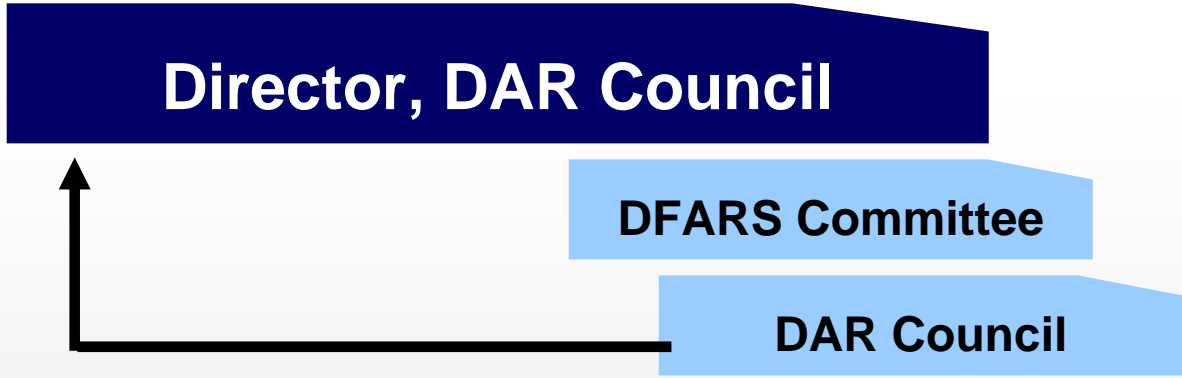
# DFARS Change Process







# PGI Change Process





# Get Involved in the Rulemaking Process

- ▶ Review DFARS and FAR proposed and interim rules
  - Change Notices:  
<http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/changenotice/>
- ▶ Submit input
  - Agency comment (through command channels)
  - Internet (follow local and agency procedures)
- ▶ View public comments on proposed & interim rules
  - DARS public comment page:  
<http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/publiccomm/>
- ▶ View status of open cases
  - DARS homepage:  
<http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars>



# Automated Access to DFARS and PGI



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## DFARS

### Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations Supplement

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# We Want to Hear From You

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- Sign up for DFARS News via e-mail

## ▶ Get Involved

- Submit comments on FAR and DFARS  
[www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/publiccomm/](http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/publiccomm/)
- Attend public meetings  
<http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/publicmeeting/>
- Voice your ideas

## ▶ Follow Up

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