

1.603-2 Selection.

In selecting *contracting officers*, the appointing official *shall* consider the complexity and dollar value of the *acquisitions* to be assigned and the candidate's experience, training, education, business acumen, judgment, character, and reputation. Examples of selection criteria include-

- (a) Experience in Government *contracting* and administration, commercial purchasing, or related fields;
- (b) Education or special training in business administration, law, accounting, engineering, or related fields;
- (c) Knowledge of *acquisition* policies and procedures, including this and other applicable regulations;
- (d) Specialized knowledge in the particular assigned field of *contracting*; and
- (e) Satisfactory completion of *acquisition* training courses.

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