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REYNOLD C. SCHWEICKHARDT NAMED IRM POLICY MANAGER AT GPO

Reynold C. Schweickhardt, who helped spearhead several key technology initiatives for the U.S. House of Representatives during the 104th – 108th Congresses, has been appointed Information Resources Management (IRM) Policy Manager for the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) by Public Printer of the United States Bruce R. James. As such, Schweickhardt will be responsible for establishing, coordinating, and directing IRM policies and programs for the effective management, planning, use, security, and evaluation of the GPO's IT resources.

In announcing the appointment, Public Printer James said, "We are extremely fortunate to have a person of Reynold's extraordinary capabilities join us at the GPO. His record of technological initiatives and innovation in the House of Representatives has earned him recognition as a leader in the Government technology field. He also brings a strong knowledge of the GPO from his service on the staff of the Joint Committee on Printing. In joining us, Reynold will be critical to our success in transforming the GPO into a model information agency of the 21st century."

Schweickhardt comes to the GPO from the House Administration Committee, where as Director of Technology he was responsible for IT strategy for the House of Representatives. He coordinated implementation of a business-continuity/ disaster-recovery infrastructure for the House and participated in the House's response to the anthrax crisis, including initiation of a digital mail pilot program. Schweickhardt directed the rollout of several emergency communication systems for Members of Congress, including RIM BlackBerry communication devices and GETS cards to maintain communication capabilities.

From 1995 to 2000, Schweickhardt served as a professional staff member and then Deputy Staff Director of the House Administration Committee, where he coordinated IT programs for the House. He helped develop legislative branch-wide programs with the Senate, Library of Congress, and the GPO including a standards program for information interchange in support of a planned XML-based Document Management System and an Intranet for legislative information system that significantly reduced duplicative information sources in the legislative branch. He also provided oversight for the House's Y2K remediation plan.

While serving as staff to the House Administration Committee, Schweickhardt was staff director of the Joint Committee on Printing, where he supported legislative oversight of the GPO's operations and programs, including the GPO's equipment and technology acquisitions.

Before Government service, Schweickhardt was with Hewlett-Packard Co., where he was a software engineer and R&D project manager. He also worked as an IT consultant. Schweickhardt attended the University of California at Santa Barbara. He and his wife Lori reside with their two children in Alexandria, VA.

Headquartered in Washington, DC, the GPO has 3,000 employees in 30 locations nationwide. It is responsible for the production and distribution of information products and services for all three branches of the Federal Government. In addition to its own production facilities, the GPO maintains a pool of 13,000 private sector vendors throughout the country to produce print and other information products for the Federal Government ranging from Supreme Court decisions to IRS tax forms and crop reports for the Department of Agriculture. The GPO also distributes Government publications to the public via a sales program and through a nationwide network of more than 1,200 Federal depository libraries. GPO's Web site, *GPO Access*, at **www.gpo.gov/gpoaccess**, provides free online public access to more than 225,000 Federal Government titles. For more information about the GPO, go to the agency's Web site at **www.gpo.gov**.