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Karen Klosek is a Manager for International Trade Compliance for Northrop Grumman's Mission Systems sector. During her 17 years of increasing responsibility within the Business Management organization, she has supported various domestic and international product portfolios including maritime navigation systems and ground-based radar systems and sensors.

Currently a manager for International Trade Compliance, Karen is responsible for leading a team to manage comprehensive internal controls to ensure Northrop Grumman's compliance with U.S. export regulations in the conduct of international marketing, sales, supply chain, and other business activities. Previously, she gained experience as a Contracts Representative and Global Supply Chain Major Subcontracts Administrator and Buyer, negotiating complex U.S. government contracts and major supplier subcontracts for US and International defense programs. In addition, Karen served as a Financial Analyst responsible for monitoring program financial health by applying earned value management to accurately predict program financial health and ensure superior program performance.

Karen is actively involved in several Northrop Grumman Employee Resource Groups and currently serves on the site leadership boards for VOICE (allies for disability inclusion) and Northrop Grumman Women's International Network (NGWIN). In 2022, she accepted the NGWIN Woman of the Year award. In addition, Karen is a member of Veterans, Employees, & Reservists Inspired to Act and Serve (VERITAS).

Karen's professional memberships include the Society for International Affairs and the National Contracts Management Association. Supporting the community, Karen has served on the Supervisory Committee of the Sperry Marine Credit Union Board and is entering her 6th year as the chairperson of the STAR Scholarship committee for the Philanthropic Educational Organization for Chapter AY in Virginia.

Karen earned a bachelor's degree in retail and consumer sciences from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

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