



PREP ASSIGNMENT  
SEASON 2023, EPISODE NINETEEN  
FAR PART 33:  
PROTESTS, DISPUTES, & APPEALS

Preparation Assignment (20 points each)

Fill In the Blank Questions:

1. Without regard to the \_\_\_\_\_, contracting officers shall consider all protests and seek \_\_\_\_\_, whether protests are submitted \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ award and whether filed directly with the \_\_\_\_\_, the Government Accountability Office (GAO), or the \_\_\_\_\_.  
[Hint: Check out **FAR 33.102**]
2. Agencies shall make their \_\_\_\_\_ to resolve \_\_\_\_\_ protests within \_\_\_\_\_ days after the protest is filed. To the extent permitted by law and regulation, the parties may \_\_\_\_\_.  
[Hint: Check out **FAR 33.103**]
3. *Issue in controversy* means a material disagreement between the Government and the contractor that:  
a. \_\_\_\_\_; or  
b. \_\_\_\_\_  
[Hint: Check out **FAR 33.201**]
4. Contractor claims shall be submitted, in \_\_\_\_\_, to the \_\_\_\_\_ for a decision within \_\_\_\_\_ years after \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_, unless the contracting parties agreed to a \_\_\_\_\_. The contracting officer shall document the contract file with \_\_\_\_\_ of the date of receipt of any submission from the contractor deemed to be a \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_.  
[Hint: Check out **FAR 33.206**]
5. The objective of using \_\_\_\_\_ procedures is to increase the opportunity for relatively \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ resolution of issues in controversy. Essential elements of \_\_\_\_\_ include-  
(1) Existence of an issue in controversy;  
(2) \_\_\_\_\_;  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_;  
(4) \_\_\_\_\_.  
[Hint: Check out **FAR 33.214**]

**“Look ‘Em Ups”** (Enter the FAR cite and Answer)

1. What are the statutory deadlines imposed on contracting officers for responding to a contractor's certified claim valued in excess of \$100,000?
2. Following receipt of a GAO bid protest filed by a disappointed offeror, what seven (7) things must a contracting officer prepare/collect and include in the agency's "protest file" (in addition to an index)?

Extra Credit: According to the “Disputes Statute”, prior to the entry of a “final judgment”, all contractor claims are required to include a proper “certification”. What is the proper certification that MUST be used AND who within the contractor organization is deemed “proper” to make such a certification?

FUN Question: Speaking of “proper”, one of my favorite Broadway musicals involves a noted “professor” of phonetics who has been challenged to turn a lowly London “flower girl” into a “proper lady”. What is the name of that Broadway musical. For an additional twenty (20) “fun” points tell me who starred in the role of the flower girl on the show’s opening night.