



**PREP ASSIGNMENT
SEASON 2023, EPISODE 22
FAR PARTS 42 & 43:
CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, AUDIT
SERVICES, AND MODIFICATIONS**

Preparation Assignment (20 points each)

Fill In the Blank Questions:

1. _____ maintains the Federal Directory of Contract Administration Services Components. The directory lists the _____ and _____ of those _____ and other agency offices that offer _____ services within designated _____ and at specified _____.
[Hint: Check out **FAR 42.203**]
2. The contracting officer (or other contracting agency personnel) normally shall (1) forward correspondence relating to assigned _____ through the cognizant _____ to the _____, and (2) provide a copy for the CAO's file.
[Hint: Check out **FAR 42.401**]
3. At any time during the performance of a contract of a type referred to in [42.802](#), the _____ responsible for administering the contract may issue the contractor a _____ to disallow specified costs incurred or planned for incurrence.
[Hint: Check out **FAR 42.801**]
4. _____, including changes that could be issued unilaterally, _____ be priced before their execution if this can be done without adversely affecting the interest of the Government. If a significant cost increase could result from a _____ and time does not permit negotiation of a price, at least a ceiling price _____ be negotiated unless impractical. [Hint: Check out **FAR 43.102**]
5. To avoid subsequent controversies that *may* result from a _____ containing an _____ as the result of a *change order*, the *contracting officer should –*
1) _____; and
(2) Include, in the _____, a release similar to the following:

Contractor's Statement of Release

In consideration of the modification(s) agreed to herein as complete equitable adjustments for the Contractor's _____ (describe) _____ "proposal(s) for adjustment," the Contractor hereby releases the Government from

(except for _____).

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

1. According to FAR Part 42, what eight (8) category of actions should a contracting officer assess as part of a contractor’s past performance evaluation?
2. What is a contractor “obliged” to do upon receiving a directed “change order” from a contracting officer during the performance of a cost reimbursement contract?

FAR Question: According to FAR Part 43, what three (3) responses may a contracting officer provide to a contractor upon receipt of a notification of change?

FUN Question: Speaking of “changes”, what specific changes did the U.S. Mint make to the one cent coin (a.k.a. “penny”) in 1909 and 1943. For an additional twenty (20) “FUN” points tell me the year that the first penny was put into U.S. circulation.