

Bond Case Briefs

Municipal Finance Law Since 1971

GASB Opens Search for Director of Research and Technical Activities.

Norwalk, CT, September 10, 2020 — The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) today announced that it has [opened a formal search](#) for the next GASB director of research and technical activities.

David R. Bean, the GASB's current director of research and technical activities, plans to retire on March 31, 2021 after more than 30 years with the organization.

The director in this role is the leader of the GASB staff and principal advisor to the GASB chair and Board. This position has a critical leadership function in the overall management of projects on the GASB's technical and research agendas, GASB project-related communications, and interaction and engagement with stakeholders.

Reporting to the GASB chair, the director leads and manages the GASB's 25 staff members on all technical accounting projects and ensures that detailed project plans, priorities, and timetables are consistent with the Board's goals and priorities. In addition, the director represents the GASB as a spokesman on technical issues at a variety of speaking engagements, serves as a primary liaison with key stakeholder groups, and develops the GASB budget.

The ideal candidate should be a demonstrated leader and critical thinker, have a passion for the GASB mission, a dedication to service, and extensive technical knowledge of state and local government accounting and financial reporting. The successful candidate will have a minimum of 15-20 years senior-level experience at a public accounting firm, government, university, or comparable organization.

A [full job description and list of requirements](#) can be found on the Financial Accounting Foundation (FAF) website. Interested candidates must apply by October 30, 2020.