Jim Arnette
Director, Local Government Audit

Jim Arnette, CISA, CGFM, is the Director of Local Government Audit for the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury. Jim is responsible for the annual financial and compliance audits of all 95 Tennessee counties, and monitors the annual audits of more than 1,600 municipalities, non-profits, and related local government entities. The Division is also responsible for reviewing the funds administered by District Attorneys General and Judicial District Drug Task Forces. Jim assists local governments in implementing new auditing and accounting standards, and works with the Tennessee General Assembly on legislation impacting local governments.

Jim has worked with the Comptroller's Office for more than 30 years. He established County Audit's Information Technology Audit function, which is responsible for general and application control reviews in county governments across the state. He was named division director in 2007, and was named Director of the new Division of Local Government Audit in 2012.

Jim is a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro. He is a Certified Financial Manager and Certified Information Systems Auditor. Jim is an active member of the Nashville Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants. He has served as the chapter President and regional Vice-President.