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Greene Co. Auditor Earns Distinguished Local Government Leadership Award

SPRINGFIELD, Mo – The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) has named Greene County Auditor Cindy Stein among its top two Distinguished Local Government Leadership Award recipients for 2017.

Each year, AGA presents a maximum of two crystal awards to local government professionals who exemplify and promote excellence in government financial management and who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in enhancing sound financial management legislation, regulations, practices, policies and systems.

Winners were announced at an awards luncheon in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 15. For more information about AGA and its awards, visit <u>www.agacgfm.org</u>.

About Cindy Stein

Cindy was first elected as Greene County Auditor in 1994. She is a past president of the local chapter of AGA and currently co-chairs the education committee. Cindy was instrumental in bringing the Great Game of Business to county government in 2012. In 2015, Greene County was the inaugural recipient of the Pioneer Award by being the first in government to implement and practice the methodology of Open-Book Management and do so at a high level. Greene County has also been named a semi-finalist in Harvard's 2017 Innovations in American Government Awards competition.

About AGA

AGA is the nation's leading organization for government financial management professionals. With more than 14,000 members, who include elected officials, senior executives, mid-level managers, entry-level employees and students, AGA is committed to increasing government <u>accountability and transparency</u>.

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