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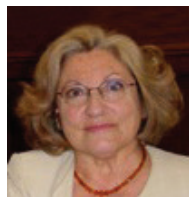
### “Simplifying the Complex - Creating the space for complex political topics on the Web”

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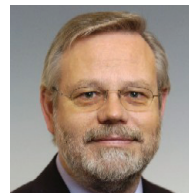
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#### **Dr. Annetta Cheek**

Most of her Federal career has been in writing and implementing regulations. She became interested in the Plain Language movement 10 years ago, and since then has worked to spread the use of plain language across the government. She spent 4 years as the chief plain language expert on Vice President Gore's National Partnership for Reinventing Government. She has been the chair of the Interagency plain language advocacy group for 10 years, since it was founded, and administers the group's website, [www.plainlanguage.gov](http://www.plainlanguage.gov). Currently she is an Executive Assistant to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, where she continues to focus on plain language projects and serves on the Web Council.



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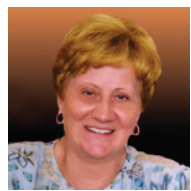
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