# Segregation of Duties

# Fiscal Year 2014 Finding Summary

External Auditor Results for Fiscal Year 2014 (July 1, 2013 thru June 30, 2014)

- Total number of findings up 123% from 13 in FY13 to 29 in FY14
- Financial Statement findings up 20% from 5 in FY13 to 6 in FY14
- Federal/Financial Aid findings up 188% from 8 in FY 13 to 23 in FY 14

**Ineffective Logical Access Controls (7)** 

### **Definitions:**

**Separation of duties:** (SoD) (also known as "Segregation of duties") is the concept of having more than one person required to complete a task. In business the separation by sharing of more than one individual in one single task is an <u>internal control</u> intended to prevent <u>fraud</u> and <u>error</u>.

**Logical Access:** In information technology, **logical access controls** are tools and protocols used for <u>identification</u>, <u>authentication</u>, <u>authorization</u>, and <u>accountability</u> in <u>computer information systems</u>.

**Resource Management:** In <u>organizational studies</u>, **resource management** is the efficient and effective deployment of an organization's resources when they are needed. Such resources may include financial resources, inventory, human skills, production resources, or information technology (IT).

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# Segregation of Duties - Matrix

**DOAA SOD Matrix** 

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**USG Templates** 

		Name of Staff and Title	Compensation Controls			
Cash	/Check Handling (Receipts, Disbursements, Reconciliation)					
1)	Receives Cash/Deposits					
2)	Reconciles Cash Receipts to Daily Cash					
3)	Prepares Bank Deposit					
4)	Takes Deposit to Bank					
5)	Records Deposit Transaction into Banner (or other Subsidiary ledger)					
6)	Reconciles Deposits to amounts recorded in G/L					
7)	Reviews Cash Reconciliations					
8)	Prepares Voucher Package for payment (Match Po,					
	receiving evidence, invoice)					
9)	Prepares Check Requests					
10)	Approvac Charles for Downant and offives cionature					

# Georgia FIRST:

# Auditing – Segregation of Duties

• The SEGREGATE\_DUTY\_BOR is a very important query with which security administrators on campus should become familiar. This query uses the Segregation of Duties Matrix that was provided by the auditors and displays users that have potential or real segregation of duties issues. The results on this query will need to be reviewed, and administrators need to have the appropriate reasons documented and signed off on for the auditors.

A job aid for this query is available on the Georgia FIRST website at <a href="http://www.usg.edu/gafirst-fin/documentation/job\_aids/category/security">http://www.usg.edu/gafirst-fin/documentation/job\_aids/category/security</a>

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СО	SO Category
R	Record
Α	Authorize
С	Custody
RX	Reconcile

SC	D Risk Level
X	Elevated Risk
*	Low Risk

# **Auditing Controls**

#### **Limit Privilege Functions** to appropriate personnel

- Review your security administrators on campus.
- Look at users with full access.
- Do users have access to system utilities/resources such as database tools, sql tools and crystal reports?

# **Auditing Controls**

#### **Local Security Administration - Maintain Segregation of Duties** by separating the following roles:

- Requesting Access
- Approving Access
- Setting up Access
- Monitoring Access and Violations
- Performing Rights as a privileged user, and
- Monitoring a privileged user

#### **Ensure Appropriate User Access and Authorization**

- Is there an authorization form on file with the appropriate approvals in place?
- Are these periodically reviewed for changes or updates?
- Are terminated employee accounts locked or removed? (BOR\_SEC\_TERMINATED\_USERS)
- Are user accounts reviewed for segregation of duties issues?

# Auditing – Local Security Admins & IT Audit Packet

- Campus Security Guide contains campus security tools, processes, and queries that will assist identification of potential audit issues. This guide is posted as a zip file on the Georgia FIRST website and contains the following documents:
  - Georgia FIRST PeopleSoft Financials Campus Audit Packet
  - Local Security Administrator Responsibilities
  - Checklist for Audit
  - Segregation of Duties (SOD) Matrix
- Access the Campus Security Guide directly on the Security Job Aids and Reference Documentation webpage on the Georgia FIRST website: http://www.usg.edu/gafirstfin/documentation/job\_aids/category/security

# **Security Queries**

BOR_PORTAL_PERMISSIONS	Role page permissions with Functional name
SEGREGATE_DUTY_BOR	Segregation of Duties Query
BOR_SEC_ROLE_USERS	Users assigned to Role
BOR_SEC_TERMINATED_USERS	Security of Term'd Users
BOR_SEC_USER_PAGE	User ID page access
BOR_SEC_USER_PERM_LIST	Users and Permission Lists
BOR_SEC_USER_ROLES	User's Roles
BOR_SEC_USER_ROLE_PLIST_PAGE	Security Query

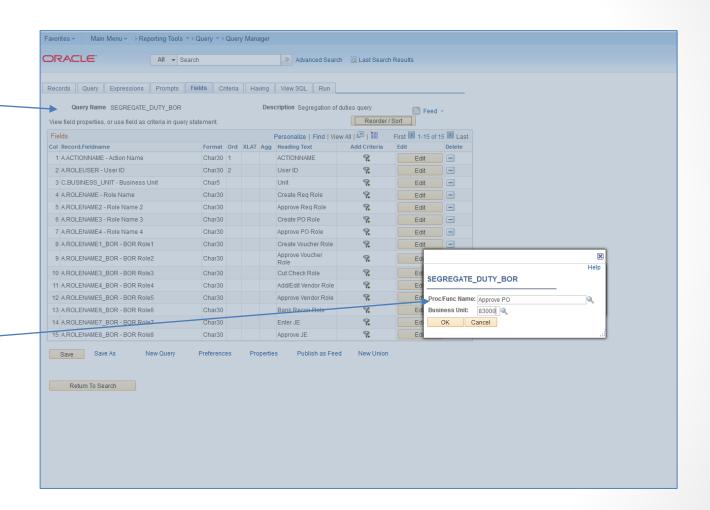
# How to Piece it All Together

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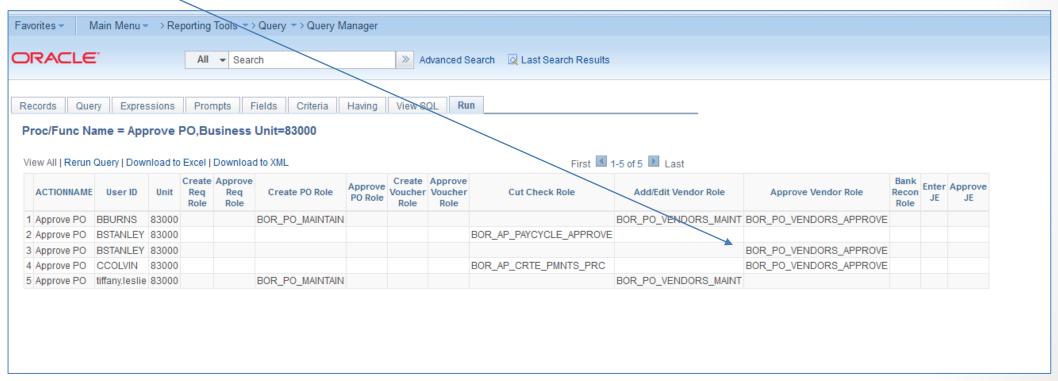
Pick a specific Function/Process from the Audit SOD Matrix



## Reviewing the Results

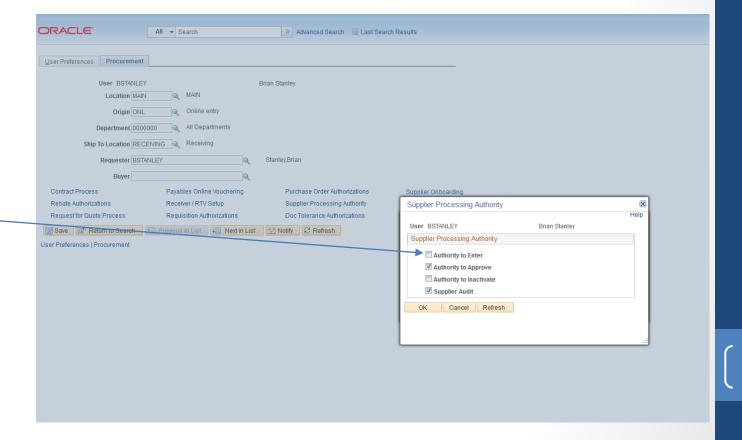
If the user has the Role to Approve a Purchase order then the roles that have a 'POTENTIAL' segregation of duties risk are shown here.

This doesn't mean there is a Real Issue; You have to consider user preference controls and other controls the institution has in place.

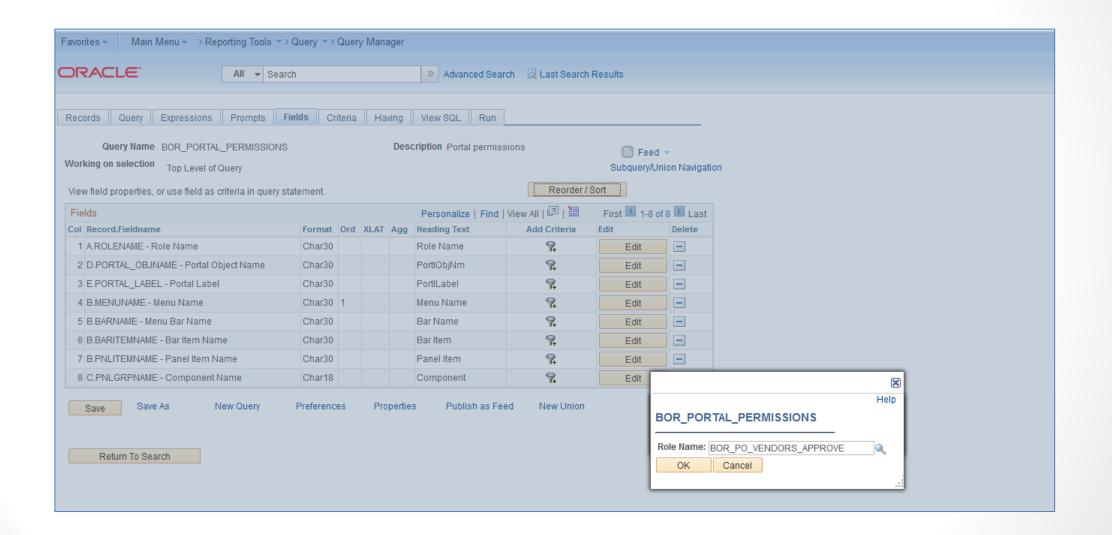


### Reviewing the Results

In this instance, BSTANLEY can Approve Purchase orders. However he cannot enter them, He can Approve Paycycles, but not run them, and He can approve vendors but not enter them. Therefore he can't enter a vendor and approve it, and create a voucher and pay it. Therefore there is no risk with this user id.

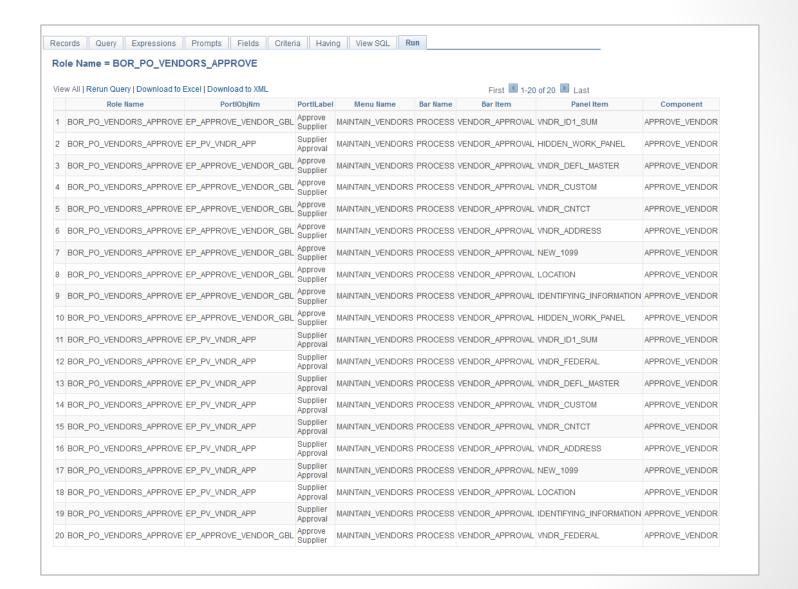


#### **BOR\_PORTAL\_PERMISSIONS QUERY**



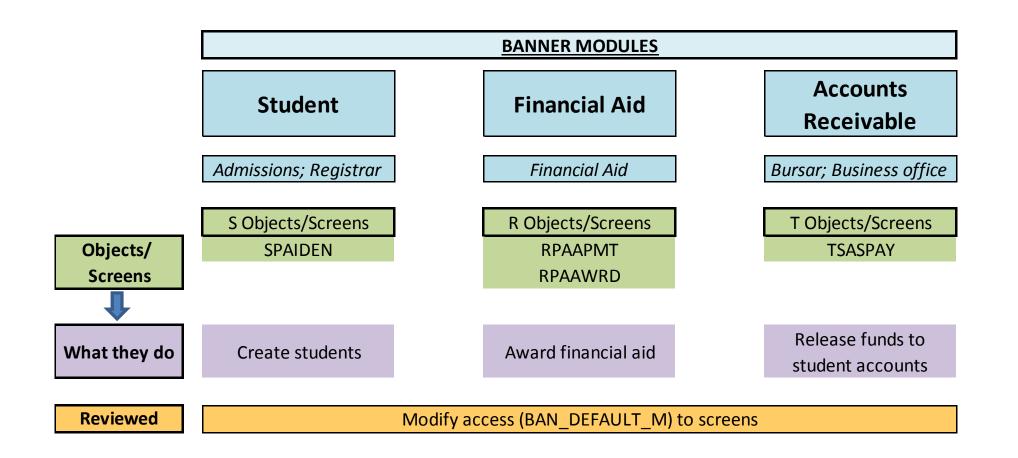
#### **BOR\_PORTAL\_PERMISSIONS QUERY**

This query can be used to see what pages a specific role has access to. So even though this role has Page access to Vendors, doesn't mean that the user can enter or approve. They must have the user preference in addition to the role.



# Banner:

# Ineffective Logical Access Controls



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## Ineffective Logical Access Controls

#### **Modify Access to:**

S screens

R screens

T screens

S screens R screens

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#### **Means:**

Someone can add students, award financial aid, and release funds to student accounts.

Someone can add students and award financial aid.

Someone can award financial aid and release to student accounts.

Someone can add students and release funds to their accounts.

#### Implication:

SOD issue likely

SOD issue likely

SOD issue likely

SOD not likely

## Logical Access Controls

#### How to review your institution's access in Banner:

- User access for all object class roles in Banner
  - Utilize the Auditing Tool Kit Script Class Security Report by Object
     Script must be executed by Banner DBA or Security Admin and run for all objects

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# Logical Access Controls

#### How to review your institution's access in Banner:

- Listing of Active Employees (Compare to Class Security Report by Object)
- Isolate Critical Objects: SPAIDEN, RPAAPMT, RPAAWRD, and TSASPAY with BAN DEFAULT M Role
- Identify conflicting roles
- Review employee's job descriptions
- Discuss mitigating controls

# Logical Access Controls

#### How to review your institution's access in Banner:

- Determine policies or procedures for authorizing users for Banner
- Are adequate measures in place to ensure that when a user is terminated or transferred their access is changed accordingly?
- How long do you retain authorization forms? Does it seem adequate?
- Is access to SFAREGF form limited?
- Verify access to resources and utilities with Banner application is limited
  - Resources FAFSA Financial Aid Data Downloads
  - Utilities Crystal Reports, SQL

### **Additional Things to Consider**

- Document Analysis/Review of Segregation of Duties
- Updated/clear Policies and Procedures for SFA
- Documented SFA Risk Assessment
- Available documentation audit evidence
- Banner Change Management
- All audits and Full Disclosure Management Reports Engagements will receive SFA Compliance for FY 2015. Additionally, those with a federal finding in FY 2014 or previously unresolved SFA findings will be reviewed.

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