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Fulton's Chief Information Officer Wins CIO of the Year Award

Serena Sacks receives honor from state's preeminent professional association

Chief Information Officer **Serena Sacks** has been named a winner of the Georgia CIO Leadership Association's 2017 CIO of the Year® ORBIE® Award, a prestigious honor recognizing professionals who have demonstrated excellence in technology leadership.

The association recognized chief information officers in six key categories – Lifetime Achievement, Healthcare, Global, Enterprise, Corporate and Nonprofit. Serena was honored in the Nonprofit Public Sector category.

The Georgia CIO Leadership Association is the preeminent professional association for Georgia chief information officers. The association's membership is comprised exclusively of CIOs (or equivalent executive roles) from public and private companies, government, education, healthcare and nonprofit organizations.

The CIO of the Year ORBIE Award is the premier technology executive recognition program of its kind. The award honors chief information officers who have demonstrated excellence in technology leadership. Finalists and winners are selected by an independent peer review process, led by previous ORBIE recipients.

With more than 30 years of transformational business and technology experience across multiple sectors, Serena became CIO of Fulton County Schools in May 2014. Since joining the school district, she also has been honored as one of Women in Technology's Women of the Year for her outstanding leadership and for promoting and mentoring women and young girls in technology careers.

Serena received the CIO of the Year® ORBIE® Award on November 15th at a special ceremony at the Cobb Galleria, with nearly 1,000 professionals representing leading Georgia organizations and their technology partners.

Since inception in 1998, over 500 CIOs have been honored as finalists and over 100 CIO of the Year winners have received the association's prestigious ORBIE Award.

Congratulations Serena!