

## 33.210 Contracting officer's authority.

Except as provided in this section, *contracting officers* are authorized, within any specific limitations of their warrants, to decide or resolve all *claims* arising under or relating to a contract subject to the Disputes statute. In accordance with agency policies and [33.214](#), *contracting officers* are authorized to use ADR procedures to resolve *claims*. The authority to decide or resolve *claims* does not extend to-

(a) A *claim* or dispute for penalties or forfeitures prescribed by statute or regulation that another *Federal agency* is specifically authorized to administer, settle, or determine; or

(b) The settlement, compromise, payment, or adjustment of any *claim* involving fraud.

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 33.2 - Disputes and Appeals](#)