Chief Information Officer Mohammed Al Rawi

Mohammed Al Rawi is the Public Defender’s first appointed Chief Information Officer (CIO). Mr. Al Rawi oversees the strategic planning and modernization initiatives of information technology, information security and data management for the Office. Mr. Al Rawi also provides vision and leadership in the development and implementation of technology applications and infrastructure supporting the department’s more than 1,100-employee workforce including the development and implementation of the Client Case Management System (CCMS) — the largest digital transformation project in the history of the Office of the Public Defender.

Prior to joining the Public Defender, Mr. Al Rawi served as the CIO for Parks and Recreation, and prior to that he served at the Board of Supervisors, Second District, as Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas’s Deputy for Technology and Innovation. Before joining the County of Los Angeles, he was the Technical Director for the Los Angeles Times' news bureau in Baghdad covering Iraq’s war and its aftermath.

Mr. Al Rawi brought many innovative solutions to the County of Los Angeles digitizing and automating business processes and solving complex, life-saving, business challenges. Initiatives include the use of advanced video analytics to prevent drowning at County pools, the establishment of a countywide plan to modernize over 100 mission-critical application systems, as well as leading the effort to establish the County’s first consolidated, robust and cost-efficient data center. His leadership and advocacy for innovation was recognized by Government Technology; Mr. Al Rawi was named one of the nation’s Top 25 Doers, Dreamers and Drivers.

Mohammed Al Rawi brings more than 16 years of experience in managing complex information technology operations in both the public and private sectors. He earned his bachelor’s degree in computer science summa cum laude from California State University – Los Angeles.