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Ronald Reagan Building Amphitheater  
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20004

# **CIGIE AWARDS – 2017**

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THE HONORABLE JAY LERNER  
CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair  
Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

#### **Keynote Address**

THE HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER WRAY  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

### **Special Category Awards Presentation**

DUSTIN BROWN  
Acting CIGIE Executive Chair  
Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget

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Sentner Award for Dedication and Courage  
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Award for Individual Accomplishment  
Barry R. Snyder Joint Award

### **CIGIE Awards Presentation**

THE HONORABLE MICHAEL E. HOROWITZ  
CIGIE Chair, Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice  
ALLISON C. LERNER  
CIGIE Vice Chair, Inspector General, National Science Foundation

### **Closing Remarks**

LAURA DAVIS  
CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair  
Inspector General, National Endowment for the Humanities



**Christopher Wray** became the eighth Director of the FBI on August 2, 2017.

Mr. Wray was born in New York City. He graduated from Yale University in 1989 and earned his law degree from Yale Law School in 1992. He then clerked for Judge J. Michael Luttig of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. In 1993, he began working in private practice in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. Wray began his Department of Justice career in 1997 as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, where he prosecuted cases ranging from public corruption to gun trafficking and financial fraud. In 2001, he joined the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, where he served as associate deputy attorney general and then principal associate deputy attorney general, with oversight responsibilities spanning the full Department.

In 2003, Mr. Wray was nominated by President George W. Bush to serve as assistant attorney general for the Criminal Division. In addition to overseeing criminal matters, Mr. Wray played a key role in the evolving national security mission of the Department. He also served on the President's Corporate Fraud Task Force and supervised the Enron Task Force and other major national and international fraud investigations. At the conclusion of his tenure, Mr. Wray was awarded the Edmund J. Randolph Award, the Department of Justice's highest award for leadership and public service.

After leaving the Department of Justice in 2005, Mr. Wray returned to private practice at the law firm King & Spalding, where he chaired the Special Matters and Government Investigations Practice Group.



MICHAEL E. HOROWITZ  
*Chair*

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR AND THE VICE CHAIR

Welcome to the annual awards ceremony of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. Today we honor members of our community who performed extraordinary work during the past year that improved the performance of the organizations they oversee, and made our country stronger.

Each year, the approximately 14,000 staff at our 73 Inspector General (IG) offices perform thousands of audits, investigations, inspections, evaluations, and reviews which help ensure accountability and efficiency in government operations and save taxpayers billions of dollars. It is a humbling challenge for the CIGIE award committees to determine from such a diverse, outstanding body of work which nominations are most deserving of receiving recognition. As you can see from reviewing the program booklet, this year's recipients have distinguished themselves by performing truly challenging and innovative oversight efforts that have had a substantial and important impact. Congratulations to each of you for your remarkable achievements, as well as for being outstanding representatives of the entire IG community and for demonstrating through your commitment to public service, professionalism, and an exceptional quality of work what a strong and dedicated staff we have in the IG community.



ALLISON C. LERNER  
*Vice Chair*

We are extremely proud to be able to join with the IG community today in recognizing your accomplishments. The challenges that we often face in conducting effective oversight are many, and the results are not always welcomed, but through your efforts the American people are better served by the organizations you oversee. Thank you for your immeasurable contributions and congratulations again on your well-deserved awards.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael E. Horowitz".

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Allison C. Lerner".



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# In Remembrance

## LIVES LOST IN THE LINE OF DUTY

*We would also like to recognize all OIG employees who have lost their lives while performing their official duties. We salute their service to the IG community and honor their sacrifice.*

### U.S. Agency for International Development

Oscar C. Holder

*Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector*

Sidney B. Jacques

*Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector*

*A 1962 plane crash of a Royal Nepal airlines plane in the Himalayas resulted in the deaths of Mr. Holder and Mr. Jacques.*

Charles Hegu

*Auditor*

William Stanford

*Auditor*

*In 1984, a terrorist shot and killed Mr. Hegu and Mr. Stanford during a Pakistan International Airline plane hijacking in Tebran, Iran.*

Robert Hebb

*Auditor*

Rolando Barahona

*Auditor*

*A Honduran airliner crashed on approach to the airport in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, resulting in the deaths of Mr. Hebb and Mr. Barahona in 1989.*

### U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Paul Broxterman

*Special Agent*

*A victim of the Oklahoma City Bombing, Special Agent Paul Broxterman was the first HUD OIG agent killed in the line of duty. He was in his office at the Alfred Murrah Federal Building, which was destroyed on April 19, 1995.*

Abdon Cabello

*Special Agent*

*Abdon Cabello, a criminal investigator, collapsed and died suddenly on Monday, April 5, 1999, during physical training at the Basic Criminal Investigator Program at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Glynco, Georgia. He was 37 years old.*

U.S. Department of Justice

William "Buddy" Sentner, III  
*Special Agent*

*In June 2006, Special Agent Sentner was shot and killed while executing arrest warrants on six Bureau of Prisons correctional officers at the Federal Correctional Institution in Tallahassee, Florida.*

U.S. Postal Service

Greg R. Boss  
*Special Agent*

*On November 8, 2005, Special Agent Greg Boss was killed by an aggressive driver in a vehicle accident while on-duty in Colorado.*

Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction

Paul Converse  
*Auditor*

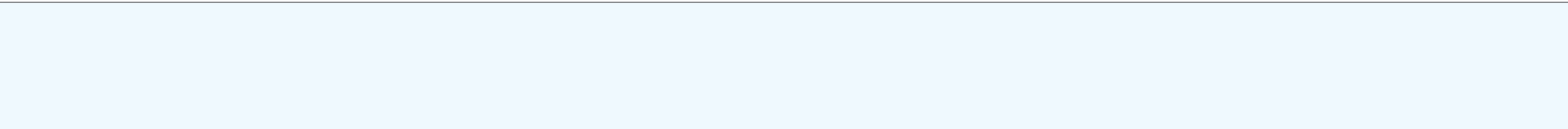
*On March 23, 2008, the International Zone in Baghdad was hit by indirect fire. During one of the attacks, Paul Converse was seriously wounded. He died from his injuries on March 24, 2008.*

U.S. Department of State

Alan V. Gowing  
*Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Office of Security and Intelligence Oversight*

*On December 11, 1997, Mr. Gowing died while leading a security oversight inspection of the U.S. embassy in Baku, Azerbaijan.*







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## Special Category Awards

## ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD

U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
DHS-OIG/Office of IT Audits, USCIS Green Cards

Kristen Bernard  
*Director*

Gregory Flatow  
*Program Analyst*

Kristen Fogart  
*Audit Manager*

Swati Nijhawan  
*Senior Program Analyst*

Richard Saunders  
*Independent Referencer*

*In recognition of outstanding audit work disclosing USCIS' issuance of duplicate and erroneous Green Cards to immigrants, which posed national security risks, denied benefits for approved applicants, and increased workload and costs for the agency*

## GASTON L. GIANNI, JR. BETTER GOVERNMENT AWARD

U.S. Agency for International Development  
USAID OIG Investigation of Syria Humanitarian Aid

Jessica Abenstein  
*Special Agent*

Rebecca Giacalone  
*Team Leader, D-ISIS Investigations Task Force*

Lauren Kiesler  
*Special Agent*

Laura Rousseau  
*Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge*

Jacob Rutz  
*Auditor*

*In recognition of extreme courage and investigative determination in furtherance of foreign assistance oversight in a war-torn region*

## GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

Peace Corps  
The Inspector General Empowerment Act Team

Emilia DiSanto  
*Deputy Inspector General, Department of State OIG*

Kevin Donohue  
*Deputy General Counsel, Department of State OIG*

Joanne Eldridge  
*Associate General Counsel, Department of State OIG*

Joaquin Ferrao  
*Deputy Inspector General/Legal Counsel*

Christopher Fontanesi  
*Attorney-Advisor*

Jay N. Lerner  
*Chief of Staff, Department of Justice OIG*

Patricia Papas  
*Associate General Counsel, Department of State OIG*

Linette Romer  
*Associate General Counsel, Department of State OIG*

Sheldon Shoemaker  
*Chief of Staff, Small Business Association OIG*

Hillel Weinberg  
*Senior Advisor, Department of State OIG*

*For exemplary work in supporting Congress to pass the Inspector General Empowerment Act*

## **SENTNER AWARD FOR DEDICATION AND COURAGE**

### **Social Security Administration**

Clara Soto  
*Auditor*

*In recognition of her uncommon selflessness, dedication to duty, and courage while completing work on the Match of California Death Information Against Social Security Administration Records audit*

## **JUNE GIBBS BROWN CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

### **U.S. Department of Defense**

Donald M. Horstman  
*Operational Research Analyst*

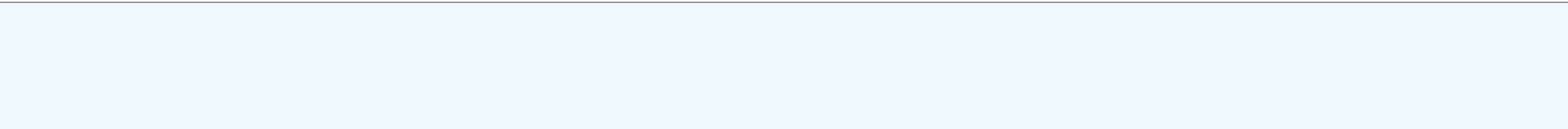
*In recognition of sustained and significant contributions of Mr. Donald M. Horstman throughout his career with the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General and in support of the newly formed Lead Inspector General oversight mission*

## **AWARD FOR INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT**

### **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

Sue Murrin  
*Deputy Inspector General, Office of Evaluation and Inspections*

*In recognition of Sue Murrin, who as chair of the CIGIE Inspection and Evaluation (I&E) Roundtable, led members of the I&E Community to successfully create an I&E Peer Review process*





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**Barry R. Snyder**  
**Joint Award**

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**  
**The CIGIE Leadership Development Team**

Beatrice Babalola  
*Program Analyst, DoD OIG*

Michael Diavolikis  
*Senior Writer-Editor, CIGIE*

Kevin S. Donohue  
*Deputy General Counsel, State Department OIG*

Sharon Ginley  
*Director, HR Division, DOI OIG*

Deborah Glorioso  
*Training Administrator, USDA OIG*

David Gross  
*Director, LMS Academy, CIGIE / DoD OIG*

Darcy Katzin  
*Attorney, DOJ OIG*

Angela Low  
*Instructional Systems Specialist, DHS OIG*

Gale Moore  
*Human Capital Management - Training, HUD OIG*

Jacquelyn Phillips  
*Director, Plans, Performance, Risk Management  
and Engagement, HUD OIG*

Gregory D. Sampson  
*Program Manager, DoD OIG*

Lisa M. Schwartz  
*Human Resources Specialist, DOJ OIG*

Elise Stein  
*Director, Intergovernmental Affairs, HHS OIG*

Norma Taylor  
*Senior Human Resources Consultant, HUD OIG*

Viking White  
*Training Specialist, DoD OIG*

F. Deane Williams  
*Division Director, DoD OIG*

William Yeager  
*Director, Training and Workforce Development, DHS OIG*

*In recognition of exceptional collaborative efforts leading to the successful launch and  
adoption of the CIGIE Fellowship Program and Annual Leadership Forum*



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# Awards for Excellence



## ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Process Improvement Enhancements to Improve OIG Hotline Coordination and Collaboration Team

Joseph Beidle  
*Hotline Analyst*

Star Blondell  
*Deputy Director*

Sheila Brown  
*Deputy Director*

Tyrone Burrell  
*Hotline Analyst*

Marci Davis  
*Hotline Analyst*

Sheyla Desir  
*Hotline Analyst*

Cheryl Edwards  
*Director*

Latreal Exum  
*Hotline Analyst*

Alison Faulk  
*Hotline Analyst*

Takisha Gamble  
*Hotline Analyst*

Scotty Hall  
*Hotline Analyst*

Sandra Khan  
*Hotline Analyst*

Ruth Miller  
*Hotline Analyst*

Charles Pomerat  
*Hotline Analyst*

David Roberts  
*Hotline Analyst*

Simone Saunches  
*Hotline Analyst*

Tonya Shorts  
*Hotline Analyst*

Dorcas Smith  
*Hotline Analyst*

Cynthia Watson  
*Hotline Analyst*

Yvonne Williams  
*Hotline Analyst*

*In recognition of significant contributions by improving Hotline operations to more timely assess, triage, and initiate actions of received allegations resulting in improved customer service and transparency of actions taken on behalf of complainants*

## AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### U.S. Department of Agriculture

SNAP Administrative Costs Review Team

Kelvin Bailey  
*Auditor*

Jason Beard  
*Auditor-in-Charge*

Greg Benda  
*Senior Auditor*

Dedra Chandler  
*Assistant Director, Food, Nutrition, Marketing,  
and Development Division*

Rodney DeSmet  
*Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit*

Holly Greene  
*Auditor*

Bryan Gulick  
*Auditor*

Kevin Gunnells  
*Assistant Director*

Tiffany Hooper  
*Assistant Director*

Donna Morgan  
*Writer-Editor*

Gwen Kirby  
*Writer-Editor (former employee)*

Yarisis Rivera-Rojas  
*Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit*

Albert Kozak  
*Senior Auditor*

Juan Segura Peinado  
*Auditor*

Wilmer Lopez  
*Senior Auditor*

Keith Sprouse  
*Senior Auditor*

Michael Martin  
*Assistant Director, Writing and Publications Division*

Michael Yarbrough  
*Director*

Joseph Mickiewicz  
*Director, Food, Nutrition, Marketing, and Development Division*

*In recognition of extraordinary efforts to identify weaknesses in USDA SNAP and recommend pragmatic solutions to ensure that SNAP resources are properly used*

### U.S. Meat Animal Research Center Review Team

Anthony Kloepfel  
*Assistant Director*

Yarisis Rivera-Rojas  
*Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit*

Michael Martin  
*Assistant Director, Writing and Publication Division*

Stephanni Stafford  
*Assistant Director, Farm, Trade, Research, and Environmental Division*

Derek Morton  
*Senior Auditor*

Carlin Walker  
*Director*

*In recognition of extraordinary efforts in evaluating the operations of the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center and investigating allegations of egregious animal mistreatment at the facility*

### Amtrak Passenger Boarding Audit Team

John Borrelli  
*Senior Auditor, Lead*

J. J. Marzullo  
*Senior Audit Manager*

Leila Kahn  
*Senior Director, Lead*

Andrew Mollohan  
*Auditor*

*For a comprehensive and timely report that helped strengthen Amtrak's efficiency, safety, and customer service experience by recommending the use of leading international and regional passenger boarding practices*

### U.S. Capitol Police

Thomas J. Schweinefuss  
*Assistant Inspector General for Audits*

*In recognition of excellence in auditing and leadership, which resulted in OIG reducing its budgetary footprint by over \$2 million by using OIG staff to conduct the annual financial statement audit of USCP*

**U.S. Department of Commerce**  
Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite-R Series Audit Team

Hana Carney  
*Assistant Counsel*

Allen Crawley  
*AIG for Systems Acquisition and IT Security*

John Haynie  
*Systems Engineer*

Matthew Katz  
*Supervisor Writer-Editor*

Edward Kell  
*Electronics Engineer*

Richard Krasner  
*Senior Satellite Analyst*

Frederick Meny  
*Director for Satellites and Weather Systems*

Katherine Smith  
*Auditor*

Frank Tersigni  
*Physical Scientist*

*In recognition of exemplary achievement in identifying critical weaknesses and \$25 million in potential monetary benefits to Congress and Department leadership on NOAA's \$10.8 billion Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite-R Series program*

**U.S. Department of Defense**  
Financial Management and Reporting Overseas Contingency Operations Reporting Audit Team

Lise N. Dormeus  
*Auditor*

Amanda Faust  
*Team Leader*

Karen Goff  
*Deputy Assistant Inspector General*

Michael Jarvis  
*Team Leader*

Emily Kieffer  
*Auditor*

Chad Maroska  
*Auditor*

Craig Michaels  
*Program Director*

Sharon Roydes  
*Team Leader*

Thomas Shurman  
*Auditor*

Rachel Suydam  
*Auditor*

Jamie Vandesteene  
*Project Manager*

Lorin Venable  
*Assistant Inspector General*

*For outstanding achievements in improving the integrity, efficiency, and effectiveness of DoD reporting of the Overseas Contingency Operation costs and establishing a sustainable multi-agency commitment to assisting the Lead IG in accomplishing its mission*

**U.S. Department of Education**  
Nationwide Assessment of Charter School Management Organizations Audit Team

William Bennett  
*Auditor*

Mildred Blanes  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audits*

Giovanni Brignoni  
*Auditor*

Nancy Buckheit  
*Statistician*

Oscar Camacho <i>Auditor</i>	Stan Karpinski <i>Auditor</i>
Dana Caro <i>Auditor</i>	Jonatan Maldonado <i>Auditor</i>
Keith Cummins <i>Auditor, State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team</i>	Carla McKenzie <i>Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General</i>
Bev Dalman <i>Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>	Jillisa Milner <i>Managing Editor</i>
Erin Dollard <i>Auditor</i>	Richard Rasa <i>Director, State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team</i>
Jon Enslin <i>Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>	Lisa Robinson <i>Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>
Angelo Fallacaro <i>Auditor</i>	Tom Sample <i>Auditor</i>
Witold Felski <i>Auditor</i>	Juan Santiago-Diaz <i>Auditor</i>
Alyce Frazier <i>Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>	Daniel Schultz <i>Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>
Chris Gamble <i>Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>	Geraldine Soriano <i>Auditor-in-Charge</i>
Tracie Goff-Smith <i>Auditor</i>	Bernard Tadley <i>Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>
Myra Hamilton <i>Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>	Chris Taul <i>Auditor</i>
Ray Hendren <i>Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>	April White <i>Auditor</i>
Doral Hill <i>Auditor</i>	Gary Whitman <i>Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>
Robert Janney <i>Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit</i>	

*In recognition of the team's outstanding accomplishments in contributing to improvements in the governance of charter management organizations and the charter schools they manage*

**U.S. Department of Energy**  
**Hanford Site Information Technology Contract Management Audit Team**

Michael D'Antonio <i>Auditor, Technology Audit Group</i>	Sarah Nelson <i>Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Administration</i>
Julie Fuselier <i>Auditor-in-Charge, Technology Audit Group</i>	Todd Wisniewski <i>Director, Information Technology and Financial Audits</i>
Wayne Herbert <i>Auditor, Technology Audit Group</i>	

*In recognition of outstanding audit work that identified the inappropriate management and oversight of information technology contracts at the Department of Energy's Hanford Site and resulted in questioned costs of more than \$183 million*

**Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation**  
Ensuring that Major Information Security Incidents are Identified and Reported to Congress Consistent with  
Statutory Requirements

Jill Benham  
*Audit Specialist*

Laura Benton  
*Audit Manager*

*In recognition of completing an audit of the FDIC's Process for Identifying  
and Reporting Major Information Security Incidents*

**General Services Administration**  
Deloitte Consulting Services Settlement Team

Andrea Clarke  
*Auditor-in-Charge*

Daniel Riggs  
*Auditor*

John Kolze  
*Special Agent-in-Charge*

John Walsh  
*Regional Inspector General for Audits*

Erin Priddy  
*Audit Manager*

*In recognition of outstanding work on a postaward audit and a False  
Claims Act case resulting in an \$11.4 million settlement*

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**  
Express Lane Eligibility Audit Team

Akram Alrubayai  
*Senior Auditor*

Scott Perry  
*Senior Auditor*

Deana Baggett  
*Auditor*

Craig Pfeifer  
*Auditor*

Kathy Carter  
*Senior Auditor*

Lori Pilcher  
*Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Shawn Edwards  
*Senior Auditor*

Thomas Rauch  
*Writer-Editor*

Michael Hayden  
*Senior Auditor*

Jeffrey Renshaw  
*Audit Manager*

Stanley Jackson  
*Auditor*

Jared Smith  
*Director, Quantitative Methods*

Truman Mayfield  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Louis Sobers  
*Auditor*

Meagan McGlade  
*Auditor*

Anthony Soto McGrath  
*Social Science Research Analyst*

Karin Nealy  
*Program Analyst*

Wayne Southwell  
*Senior Auditor*

Ruey-En Tang  
*Auditor*

Sonia Viramontes  
*Senior Auditor*

Andrew VanLandingham  
*Senior Counsel*

*In recognition of outstanding work in responding to congressional inquiries concerning  
the Express Lane Eligibility Option in the Medicaid and CHIP programs*

### Federal Medicaid Withdrawals Audit Team

John Beacham  
*Audit Manager, Medicaid Audits*

Trenton Hubbard  
*Auditor*

Troy Butcher  
*Senior Auditor*

Gerald Illies  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Tate Clark  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Shelton Jensen  
*Senior Auditor*

Miquel Darcey  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Warren Lundy  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Chrisilla Fitzsimmons  
*Auditor*

Keith Peters  
*Auditor*

Tonya Gibbs  
*Senior Auditor*

Megan Tinker  
*Senior Advisor for Legal Review*

John Hagg  
*Director, Medicaid Audits*

Paul Westfall  
*Senior Counsel (former employee)*

Alexandria Hayden  
*Senior Auditor*

Patricia Wheeler  
*Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

*In recognition of contributions to a nationwide audit to safeguard Federal Medicaid withdrawals*

### U.S. Department of Homeland Security TSA Risk-Based Security Strategy Team

Elizabeth Argeris  
*Communications Analyst*

Victor Leung  
*Program Analyst*

Marisa Coccaro  
*Program Analyst*

Anne M. Mattingly  
*Audit Manager*

Heidi Ensweiler  
*Program Analyst*

Ardeth Savery  
*Auditor*

Jeanette Hyatt  
*Auditor*

Lisa VonderHaar  
*Director*

Armando Lastra  
*Independent Referencer*

*In recognition of the TSA Risk-Based Security Strategy team's exemplary service and  
commendable effort, which provided demonstrated value to the Congress*

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**  
**Consolidated Principal Financial Statements Audit Team**

Robyn Berkenbilt  
*Auditor*

Theodore Kirby  
*Senior Auditor*

Victoria LaRock  
*Auditor*

Thomas McEnanly  
*Director*

Joseph Oppong  
*Auditor*

Sarah Sequeira  
*Assistant Director*

Michael Shomper  
*Senior Auditor*

Preeti Tilve  
*Auditor*

Brittany Wing  
*Senior Auditor*

Seedara Zaheer  
*Auditor*

*For uncovering material pervasive errors with an absolute value of over \$278 billion in HUD's Fiscal Year 2016 and 2015 Principal Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes; causing HUD to withdraw and reissue corrected financial statements*

**U.S. Department of Justice**  
**Educational Advancement Alliance Team**

Michelle L. Batignani  
*Special Agent*

Kenneth R. Dieffenbach  
*Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge*

Elizabeth P. Gontarek  
*Senior Forensic Auditor*

Valerie D. Jesuit  
*Auditor*

Thomas O. Puerzer  
*Regional Audit Manager*

Nicola L. Whitehead  
*Assistant Regional Audit Manager of Audit Division*

Joelle K. Wolf  
*Program Analyst*

Craig Yuen  
*Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge*

*In recognition of the audit and investigations into the Educational Advancement Alliance, which led to nearly \$2 million in audit findings and the subsequent criminal convictions of five individuals, including a U.S. Congressman*

**National Aeronautics and Space Administration**

**NASA Office of Inspector General Review of NASA's Plans for Human Exploration Beyond Low Earth Orbit**

Susan Bachle  
*Lead Auditor*

David Balajthy  
*Auditor*

Michael Beims  
*Computer Engineer*

Ridge Bowman  
*Director, Space Operations Directorate*

Cedric Campbell  
*Associate Counsel*

Kevin Fagedes  
*Project Manager*

Frank Martin  
*Aerospace Technologist*

Robert Proudfoot  
*Auditor*

Sarah McGrath  
*Graphics Design and Editor*

*In recognition of exceptional achievement and outstanding teamwork in its review  
of NASA's plans for human exploration beyond low Earth orbit*

**Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program  
SIGTARP's Oversight of the Hardest Hit Fund in Nevada**

Joshua Alexander  
*Editor*

Crystal Reese  
*Director Forensic Auditor*

Caroline Ashe  
*Chief Forensic Auditor*

William Saunders  
*Auditor*

Clark Beecken  
*Auditor*

Andrew Sinclair  
*Auditor-in-Charge*

Christopher Bosland  
*Assistant Deputy Special Inspector General for  
Audit and Evaluation Division*

Sylvester Tang  
*Auditor*

Christina Harris  
*Auditor*

Jennifer Wilson  
*Deputy Special Inspector General for  
Audit and Evaluation Division*

Yusuf House  
*Lead Auditor*

Kamruz Zaman  
*Auditor*

Yvonne Monyei  
*Lead Auditor*

*For outstanding achievement in conducting a forensic audit of the Hardest Hit Fund program  
in Nevada that found \$8.2 million of widespread waste and abuse of TARP funds*

**Tennessee Valley Authority**

John Barrow  
*Senior Auditor*

*To recognize exceptional performance on a contract audit where a vendor agreed to  
reimburse overcharges within one week of the final report, correct nine years of incorrect  
charges, reduce rates 10-22 percent and potentially save TVA \$10M in costs*

**U.S. Department of the Interior  
Klamath Basin Program**

Michael P. Colombo  
*Regional Manager*

Krista Dragila  
*Auditor*



Jennifer Garleb  
*Auditor*

Kevin W. Graves  
*Supervisory Auditor*

Jon D. Pifer  
*Associate General Counsel*

Leslie Ranoa  
*Management and Program Analyst*

Victor Sepulveda  
*Auditor*

Mary Stack  
*Writer-Editor*

*In recognition of the team's exemplary work in identifying serious and significant deficiencies in the Bureau of Reclamation's management and oversight of the Klamath Basin Project in Oregon and California that allowed the award of a cooperative agreement*

**U.S. Department of the Treasury**  
**Iran Payment Audit Team**

Richard Delmar  
*Counsel*

Jeanne DiFruscia  
*Auditor*

Kenneth Dion  
*Audit Manager*

Jeffery Dye  
*Audit Director*

Shaneasha Edwards  
*Program Analyst*

Deborah Harker  
*Assistant Inspector General for Audit*

Andrea Smith  
*Audit Director*

Gregory Sullivan  
*Auditor*

*In recognition of excellence in performing a review of the U.S. Government's \$1.3 billion payment to Iran from the Judgement Fund*

**U.S. Department of Transportation**  
**Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Team**

Colby L. Britton  
*Special Agent*

Kent E. Byers  
*Special Agent*

Tanya E. Chavez  
*Special Agent*

Michael R. Clark  
*Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge*

Nicholas A. Coates  
*Senior Counsel*

Jill L. Cottonaro  
*Project Manager*

Curtis M. Dow  
*Senior Analyst*

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*In recognition of outstanding team contributions toward strengthening and improving the Department of Transportation's stewardship of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program*

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*In recognition of exemplary service and commendable achievement in identifying several billion dollars in funds that could be put to better use and program weaknesses in the oversight of funds invested in the Nation's bridges and highways*

**Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration**  
**IRS Criminal Investigation Civil Forfeiture Review Team**

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*Auditor*

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Christina Dreyer  
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*In recognition of the perseverance of the team through significant legal and logistical challenges which resulted in changes to the IRS's civil forfeiture program that will ensure greater rights for individuals in the IRS's civil forfeiture process*

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**  
**Audit of VBA's Post-9/11 G.I. Bill Tuition and Fee Payments Team**

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*In recognition of the team's exemplary contribution to account for and recover \$2.3 billion worth of potential improper payments and missed recoupments, ensuring the integrity of VA's Post 9/11 G.I. Bill Program*

**Audit of Veteran Wait Time Data, Choice Access, and Consult Management in VISN 6 Team**

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Nelvy Viguera Butler  
*Statistician*

*In recognition of the team's remarkable efforts in identifying delays and significant issues in veterans' access to care within Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) 6 and managing this highly visible initiative with stringent timeliness constraints*

## EVALUATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### U.S. Department of Defense

Diane H. Stetler  
*Project Manager*

*In recognition of ingenuity, hard work, and exceptional performance in the development of the CIGIE I&E Peer Review Guide and the development of the CIGIE I&E Peer Review training*

### DoD Nuclear Enterprise Governance Evaluation Team

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Charles C. Howell  
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*In recognition of ingenuity, hard work, and exceptional performance during the DoD Nuclear Enterprise Governance evaluation*

**Defense Intelligence Agency  
Insider Threat Program Evaluation Team**

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Tanya D. Manglona  
*Team Lead*

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*Inspection Supervisor Manager*

Charles S. Turpin  
*Inspector*

*In recognition of outstanding achievement in reducing risk and improving performance*

**Federal Housing Finance Agency**

David P. Bloch  
*Senior Investigative Counsel*

*In recognition of outstanding service to the taxpayers in safeguarding their investment in Fannie Mae*

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Child Care and Development Fund Team**

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Linda Ragone  
*Regional Inspector General*

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*Deputy Regional Inspector General*

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Karolina Pater  
*Social Science Research Analyst*

Tesia Williams  
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*In recognition of exemplary work to develop an innovative evaluation and a creative outreach approach highlighting program integrity vulnerabilities in the Child Care and Development Fund program*

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Address Challenges in Counterterrorism Information Sharing**

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Dan Sullivan  
*Assistant IG for Inspections and Evaluations, IC OIG*

Carol Taraszka  
*Regional Audit Manager*

*In recognition of the joint team's exceptional efforts to identify and address challenges in counterterrorism information sharing among components of the ODNI, DHS, DOJ, and state and local entities*

### U.S. Department of Justice

#### Review of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Contraband Interdiction Efforts Team

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*Program Analyst*

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*In recognition of exceptional performance in the evaluation of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' efforts to prevent the introduction of dangerous contraband into federal prisons*

#### Review of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Reimbursement Rates for Outside Medical Care Team

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*Program Analyst*

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*Program Analyst*

Kathleen E. Flanagan  
*Senior Program Analyst*

James A. Tyrell  
*Deputy Assistant Inspector General*

*In recognition of the nominees' exemplary work in identifying at least nearly \$100 million that the Federal Bureau of Prisons could save annually in inmate health care by reimbursing for such treatment at the Medicare rate*

### National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency NGA Globe Storytelling for Inspection Team

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*Inspector*

*In recognition of excellence in evaluations of the NGA Globe Storytelling function*

**National Security Agency**  
**FISA Amendments Act Special Study Team**

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*In recognition of the FISA Amendments Act (FAA) special study team's exemplary accomplishments in conducting detailed reviews and testing that assessed NSA's compliance with the FAA Sections 702, 704, and 705(b) targeting and minimization procedures*

**Peace Corps**  
**Peace Corps/Rwanda Country Program Evaluation Team**

Jeremy Black  
*Assistant Inspector General for Evaluations*

Gregory Yeich  
*Senior Evaluator*

*In recognition of the exemplary evaluation of Peace Corps/Rwanda that identified critical improvements needed in the approach to promoting community integration among Volunteers*

**Small Business Administration**  
**OIG High Risk 7(a) Loan Review Program Team**

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*Director, Credit Programs Audit Group*

*For excellence in identifying improvement opportunities for the oversight of 7(a) loans that will promote efficiency and reduce risk to taxpayers*

**U.S. Department of State**  
**Inspection of the Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration**

Arne Baker  
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Iris Rosenfeld  
*Supervisory Senior Inspector*

*In recognition of extraordinary efforts in the identification of serious data vulnerabilities  
in the Department's Worldwide Refugee Admissions Processing System*

**Tennessee Valley Authority  
TVA OIG Organizational Effectiveness Team**

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Amy Rush  
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Jamie Wykle  
*Senior Auditor*

*In recognition of the unique work of the Tennessee Valley Authority OIG's Organizational  
Effectiveness team and the training team members have provided across the CIGIE community*

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
Drug Pricing Compliance Team**

Marci Anderson  
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*Manager*

*In recognition of exceptional work that led to the recovery of \$19.8 million in  
overpayments and the withdrawal of a \$10 million claim against the Government from  
a pharmaceutical manufacturer for a total monetary benefit of \$29.8 million*

**Review of Claims-Related Documents Pending Destruction at VA Regional Offices Team**

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Ora Young  
*Auditor*

*In recognition of outstanding work exposing ineffective controls and shredding policy violations, leading to a bipartisan, bicameral briefing convened to ensure the safeguard of claims-related documents against improper destruction*

### Review of VBA's Special Monthly Compensation Housebound Benefits Team

Brett Byrd  
*Manager*

Jeffrey Myers  
*Manager*

Dana Sullivan  
*Director*

*In recognition of the team's significant contributions to ensuring our nation's veterans receive accurate and timely special monthly compensation housebound benefits*

## GOVERNMENT ETHICS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### U.S. Department of Transportation

Richard M. McGrade  
*Senior Special Agent*

*In recognition of outstanding efforts in the investigation of corruption, self-dealing, and theft at the United States Merchant Marine Academy*

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### Federal Reserve Board

#### Evaluation of the Board's Oversight of Cybersecurity Threats to Financial Institutions

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*OIG Manager*

Eric Shapiro  
*Auditor*

Peter Sheridan  
*Assistant Inspector General for Information Technology*

Michael VanHuysen  
*Senior OIG Manager*

*In recognition of significant contributions to strengthen the Board's oversight of cybersecurity threats to the nation's financial institutions*

**Social Security Administration**  
The mySocial Security Authentication Review Team

Jeffrey Brown  
*Director, Information Technology Audit Division*

Carol Johnson  
*Senior Auditor, Information Technology Audit Division*

Faisal Khan  
*Auditor, Information Technology Audit Division*

Mary Ellen Moyer  
*Audit Manager, Information Technology Audit Division*

*In recognition of their instrumental efforts in compelling the Social Security Administration (SSA) to reevaluate its user authentication process for its mySocial Security portal and strengthen controls over access to the Agency's online systems*

**INVESTIGATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE**

**U.S. Agency for International Development**  
USAID OIG Afghanistan Investigation Team

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*Special Agent*

Elijah Kirtman  
*Special Agent*

*In recognition of extreme bravery and dedication to duty to aggressively prevent future U.S. foreign assistance from funding terrorist organizations*

**U.S. Department of Commerce**  
Patent Examiner Time and Attendance Abuse Team

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*Lead Statistician*

*In recognition of exemplary efforts in the use of data analytics to investigate and identify patent examiner time and attendance abuse that identified over \$18 million in potential waste over a 15-month period*

**U.S. Department of Defense**  
**The Southwest Asia Procurement Fraud Investigative Team**

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Harold Wilson  
*Special Agent, SIGIR*

Wendy Wingers  
*Special Agent, U.S. Army CID*

*In recognition of tireless effort over ten years to thoroughly investigate and prosecute complex procurement fraud in DoD contracting activities in Southwest Asia*

## Defense Intelligence Agency

Lisa S. Perez  
*Investigator*

*In recognition of conducting a high quality contract fraud investigation*

## U.S. Department of Education FastTrain College Investigation Team

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*Investigative Analyst, Technology Crimes Division*

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*Forensic Examiner, Technology Crimes Division*

Joel Veiguela  
*Special Agent, Investigation Services*

Jason Williams  
*Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge, Investigation Services*

*In recognition of the exemplary investigative efforts that resulted in a landmark civil judgment and criminal prosecution of the owner and 6 employees of FastTrain College for defrauding the government of more than \$4.1 million in Federal student aid*

## U.S. Department of Energy Hanford Nuclear Waste Treatment Plant Product Substitution Fraud Team

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Don Williamson  
*Senior Trial Attorney, DOJ*

Alexandra N. Wilson  
*Trial Attorney, DOJ*

*In recognition of the extraordinary perseverance exhibited by this team to resolve false statements and claims made by one of the Department's largest contractors that jeopardized critical nuclear infrastructure at the Hanford Waste Treatment Plant*

**Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation**  
**The First State Bank of Altus Investigation**

K. McKenzie Anderson  
*Assistant U.S. Attorney, Western District of Oklahoma*

Brad Thompson  
*Special Agent, FBI*

Esteban Santana  
*Special Agent*

Leslie Yancey  
*Financial Analyst, FBI*

Chris M. Stephens  
*Assistant U.S. Attorney, Western District of Oklahoma*

*In recognition of uncovering a multi-million dollar fraud scheme at First State Bank of Altus*

**Federal Housing Finance Agency**  
**Investigation of Cay Clubs Condominium**

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*Special Agent*

Alison W. Lehr  
*Assistant U.S. Attorney*

Luis Delgado  
*Paralegal Specialist, U.S. Attorney's Office*

Michael Padula  
*Trial Attorney, Special Assistant U.S. Attorney (former employee)*

Jerrob Duffy  
*Assistant U.S. Attorney*

Joseph Perrea  
*Special Agent, IRS-CI*

James V. Hayes  
*Assistant U.S. Attorney*

Thomas A. Watts-FitzGerald  
*Assistant U.S. Attorney*

*In recognition for your outstanding efforts and pursuit of a complex fraud/Ponzi scheme case resulting in the prosecution of four Cay Clubs executives who defrauded financial institutions, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and investors, in excess of \$300 million*

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**  
**Life Care Centers of America Investigative Team**

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Christopher Covington  
*Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge*

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*Investigator, U.S. Attorney's Office*

Michael Cohen  
*General Investigator*

Jessica Elliot  
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Tracy Kreitzer  
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Andy Mao  
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Charles Thomas  
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*Assistant U.S. Attorney*

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*Special Agent*

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*Assistant U.S. Attorney*

*In recognition of hard work and dedication that resulted in a \$145 million settlement agreement with Life Care Centers of America that protected patients from abuse and neglect in nursing home settings*

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**  
**FEMA Grant Applications - New Orleans Resident Office**

Sean Baker  
*Special Agent*

Earl Campbell  
*Assistant U.S. Attorney*

Brad Cole  
*FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, Fire Program Specialist*

Steven Monachello  
*Special Agent*

Kevin Piatt  
*FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program*

*In recognition of exceptional investigative achievements by uncovering and halting an individual intent on defrauding the United States for personal gain by filing fraudulent FEMA grant applications*

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**  
**Steven Hameed, et al. Team**

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*SA Hafer, Investigator Guska, and ASAC Burris distinguished themselves in pursuing a major fraud case involving cutting-edge complex scientific concepts. Their efforts directly protect U.S. investment in quantum computing critical to national security*

**U.S. Department of Justice**  
United States vs. David Bernier

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*In recognition of the successful investigation and prosecution of a retired U.S. Air Force officer for submitting multiple forged and altered documents to a DOJ-administered program in an attempt to obtain over \$700,000 in funds*

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*In recognition of outstanding collaborative efforts leading to 28 convictions and 6 debarments in a \$10 million health care fraud scheme for fraudulently billing the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs*



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*In recognition of the efforts of USPS OIG Investigators, an Assistant U.S. Attorney, and a Missouri State Trooper who responded to allegations of narcotics trafficking and theft of mail at a U.S. postal facility by current and former employees*

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*In recognition for their work in an investigation which revealed falsified medical records for more than 3,000 disability claims with the Social Security Administration, of which more than 1,700 were approved and benefits paid*

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*In recognition of exemplary team performance by 21 special agents, investigators, and attorneys who investigated theft of 700,000 gallons of fuel in Afghanistan, resulting in over \$5 million of court-ordered restitution and civil monetary settlement*

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*In recognition of the Relocation Fraud Investigative Team's exceptional efforts in investigating subcontractor fraud, resulting in a Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 287, Criminal False Claims conviction and \$116,493.70 in restitution*

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*In recognition of exemplary investigative passion and tenacity leading to the conviction of an identity thief who conducted multiple email scams in order to receive illegal Treasury checks*

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*In recognition of outstanding investigative achievement in protecting the integrity of Department of Transportation programs and operations*

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*In recognition of her long-sustained, multi-faceted contributions to the development, analysis, refinement, and implementation of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (BBA) Pub L. 114-74, achieving highly leveraged impact on the OIG community*

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*In recognition of the team's exceptional work in protecting students and preventing fraud by proactively identifying and reporting deficiencies within the FSA Identification and Personal Authentication Service systems*

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*In recognition of outstanding work on a complex False Claims Act case that resulted in a \$45 million recovery for the United States*

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*In recognition of joint efforts that identified \$2.23 billion in unreasonable and unnecessary claims against the FHA insurance fund*

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*In recognition of the team's exemplary work in identifying significant deficiencies with Job Corps center responses to serious criminal misconduct, center physical security, and Job Corps' efforts to mitigate violence and other serious crimes*

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*In recognition of the multidisciplinary team's excellence in identifying needed improvements to the Peace Corps sexual assault risk reduction and response program*

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*In recognition of the team's outstanding achievements in identifying significant issues  
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## *In Memory of Senator John Glenn*

*Since CIGIE's last annual awards ceremony, Senator John Glenn passed away. In honor of his memory and his support for the Federal Inspectors General, CIGIE would like to share with the IG community the below edited letter from CIGIE Chair Michael E. Horowitz and Vice Chair Allison C. Lerner, which was sent upon Senator Glenn's passing to the John Glenn College of Public Affairs at the Ohio State University on behalf of CIGIE's members.*

John Glenn will forever be heralded as a true American patriot who served his country over a lifetime with the utmost pride and distinction. To the Federal Inspector General community, he will best be remembered for his work in Congress that helped to lay the foundation for today's robust Inspector General system. His support, advocacy, and emphasis on accountability and good governance over the past five decades revealed him to be a true ally to Inspectors General. On behalf of the 73 Inspector General members of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, we wish to submit this letter of appreciation in remembrance of Senator Glenn.

As a Senator, John Glenn believed firmly that government could become more efficient. During his first of four terms, he turned this belief into action when he played a crucial role in the passage of the Inspector General Act of 1978. This Act created the framework of the current Inspector General system and established Inspectors General in 12 Federal agencies. Ten years later, Senator Glenn went one step further and sponsored the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, which, among other things, expanded Inspectors General to even more agencies. As a result of these two laws, Federal Inspectors General have been able to save taxpayers billions of dollars every year and secure thousands of prosecutions against those individuals who have defrauded the government.

In the years that followed passage of these two Acts, Senator Glenn remained a staunch proponent of better governance when he brought about other legislation of particular interest to the Inspectors General. He was one of the original cosponsors for the Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989 and the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993. Both laws aimed to reduce waste in Federal government programs and increase accountability. With these shared ideals, John Glenn stood decisively with the Inspectors General.

His subsequent actions in the Senate are a further testament to his support for the Inspectors General. For a Senate hearing on the twentieth anniversary of the Inspector General Act of 1978 and the roles of the Inspectors General, Senator Glenn submitted a prepared statement that described the difficulties facing the Inspectors General and their resolve to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse. He highlighted their recent savings for the taxpayer, using his respected voice to draw attention to the achievements of our community of professionals.

In one of his last sponsored legislative acts in the Senate, he befittingly introduced on October 1, 1998, a joint resolution, which later became law, to recognize the accomplishments of the Offices of Inspector General and to commend the workforce for their dedication and professionalism.

Even after retiring from the Senate, John Glenn's support and admiration for the Federal Inspectors General never waned. To commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Inspector General Act of 1978, he graciously appeared in a public service announcement video for the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency, which were predecessors to our current Council. Also in celebration of that anniversary of the Inspector General Act of 1978, Senator Glenn wrote an article for the fall/winter 2003 edition of the *Journal of Public Inquiry* in which he offered his personal insights and efforts into passing that vital legislation. In both instances, his sincere reverence for the Inspectors General was clear.

On the legislative front, Senator Glenn was active as recently as July 2015 when he wrote an influential letter to senior members of Congress involved in drafting the Inspector General Empowerment Act. He urged them to take action on issues affecting the Inspectors General, most notably independent access rights to records. The timing of his passing was a poignant reminder of his Inspector General legacy: Congress approved the Inspector General Empowerment Act of 2016 two days after Senator Glenn passed, and the President signed that Act into law eight days after America lost one of its greatest icons.

The Inspectors General are very grateful for the many ways that Senator Glenn championed our profession and our work. In 2003, the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency created a new award, the Glenn/Roth Award for Exemplary Service, to honor Senators John Glenn and William Roth for their bipartisan support for better governance. This award, one of the most prestigious in our community, recognizes an individual or team whose work and behavior demonstrates outstanding achievements in furthering relations between his or her department or agency (or the Inspector General community) and Congress. It continues to be presented at our annual awards ceremony.

On more than one occasion, Senator Glenn expressed his pride for the work he did in passing Inspector General legislation. The Inspectors General are equally proud to have had his support over the years. We are truly fortunate to have had him as one of our closest allies in Congress.

We will strive to honor his work and memory by continuing to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse with the same tenacity and dedication that he exemplified over his lifetime of public service.