

Hannibal “Mike” Ware

Hannibal “Mike” Ware was sworn in as Inspector General on May 24, 2018, following his confirmation by the U.S. Senate. He is responsible for independent oversight of SBA’s programs and operations, which encompass more than \$100 billion in guaranteed loans and nearly \$100 billion in Federal contracting dollars. From April 2016 to January 2017, Mr. Ware served as the Deputy Inspector General, and he served as the Acting Inspector General from January 2017 until his appointment to be the Inspector General.

Mr. Ware has 28 years of experience within the OIG community, the first 26 years being with the Department of Interior (DOI) OIG. In 1990, he joined DOI OIG’s Virgin Islands field office as an auditor and later became the Field Office Supervisor. Throughout his long and distinguished oversight career, he performed increasingly challenging and vital roles within the OIG community. From the Virgin Islands field office, Mr. Ware was promoted to Eastern Regional Manager, where he provided leadership of all phases of the technical and administrative operation of the region, including planning and managing audits, inspections, evaluations, and joint investigations. Mr. Ware later moved to DOI OIG’s Office of Management and served as the Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Management. In this capacity, he executed DOI OIG’s independent operating budget and managed the logistical concerns for the office’s nationwide presence. In April 2016, he was appointed to the Senior Executive Service as the SBA OIG Deputy Inspector General.

Mr. Ware is a native of the U.S. Virgin Islands and holds a bachelor of arts degree in accounting from the University of the Virgin Islands. He also is a graduate of the Senior Executive Service Career Development Program. He has received numerous awards throughout his career, including several awards from the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency as recognition for his significant work in the Inspector General community.