19th Annual Awards Ceremony
October 20th 2016

Ronald Reagan Building Amphitheater
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004
CIGIE AWARDS – 2016
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Presentation of Colors and National Anthem

Welcoming Remarks
Elizabeth Dean
CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair
Inspector General, Farm Credit Administration

Keynote Address
The Honorable Tom A. Coburn, M.D.
Former U.S. Senator, Oklahoma

Special Category Awards Presentation
Andrew Mayock
Acting CIGIE Executive Chair
Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget

Alexander Hamilton Award
Gaston L. Gianni, Jr. Better Government Award
Glenn/Roth Exemplary Service Award
Sentner Award for Dedication and Courage
June Gibbs Brown Career Achievement Award
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 Lerner
CIGIE Vice Chair, Inspector General, National Science Foundation

Closing Remarks
The Honorable David Montoya
CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair
Inspector General, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Tom A. Coburn, M.D. was raised in Muskogee, Oklahoma and graduated from Oklahoma State University with an accounting degree. He married former Ms. Oklahoma Carolyn in 1968, and they now have three children and seven grandchildren.

From 1970-78, Dr. Coburn was the manufacturing manager at the Ophthalmic Division of Coburn Optical Industries in Colonial Heights, Virginia, growing the division from 13 employees to more than 350 and capturing 35% of the U.S. market. After the family business was sold, Coburn returned to school to become a physician, attending the University of Oklahoma’s Medical School and graduating with his M.D. Dr. Coburn returned to Muskogee in 1983 to practice family medicine, allergy, and obstetrics. Dr. Coburn has personally delivered more than 4,000 babies.

From 1995-2001 Dr. Coburn represented Oklahoma’s 2nd Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives, and was the first Republican to hold that seat for consecutive terms. Described by newspapers as a budget hawk, Coburn made balancing the budget a top priority. He played a central role in Medicare and health care debates. After a short time in the House, Dr. Coburn kept his word to serve no more than six years and returned full time to his medical practice in Muskogee.

Dr. Coburn served as the junior U.S. Senator of Oklahoma from 2005-2014 leading the fight to reduce wasteful Washington spending, increase accountability and transparency for all taxpayers, restore Constitutional government, and make health care more affordable and accessible for all Americans. In addition, Dr. Coburn has fought for the sanctity of life and private property rights. With Oklahoman independence, Dr. Coburn has successfully challenged the broken culture of Washington; offering more amendments than any other senator to end waste and protect liberties. As a citizen legislator, Dr. Coburn pledged to serve no more than two terms in the Senate.
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.

The approximately 14,000 staff at our 73 Inspector General (IG) offices perform, each year, 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.

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.

Michael E. Horowitz
Chair

Allison Lerner
Vice Chair
In Remembrance

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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.

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 Hega
Auditor

William Stanford
Auditor

In 1984, a terrorist shot and killed Mr. Hega and Mr. Stanford during a Pakistan International Airline plane hijacking in Teheran, 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.

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 Glyco, Georgia. He was 37 years old.
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
Office of Audits, TSA Covert Testing Team

Duane Albert
Program Analyst

Patricia A. Benson
Independent Referencer

Douglas Bozeman
Program Analyst

Kevin Dolloson
Communications Analyst

Apostolos Exarchos
Program Analyst

Elizabeth Finn
Program Analyst

Karen J. Gardner
Auditor-in-Charge

Shelley Howes
Audit Manager

Richard T. Johnson
Director

Gaston L. Gianni, Jr. BETTER GOVERNMENT AWARD

U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA Rancho Investigation

Jose D. Barragan
Special Agent

Ryan Rogers
Investigator, FSIS, OIEA, CID

Edgar Jaimez
Investigator, FSIS, OIEA, CID

Hartley M.K. West
Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney’s Office,
Northern District of California

In recognition of the efforts to prosecute individuals who disregarded food safety standards and misled the public about the company’s food safety practices that resulted in the recall of 8.7 million pounds of potentially contaminated beef.

GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

U.S. Department of Defense
Lead Inspector General for Overseas Contingency Operations Team

Department of Defense Office of Inspector General

Joe A. Baker
Assistant Deputy Inspector General,
Office of Special Plans and Operations

Ronald Baldinger
Program Analyst, Office of Special Plans and Operations

Karen Bell
Strategic Oversight Planning Director, Office of Overseas Contingency Operations

Rachel Berryman
Program Analyst, Office of Overseas Contingency Operations
Ismail Kenessy  
*Auditor*

Guy Kone  
*Auditor*

Tim Lamping  
*Auditor*

Megan Levanduski  
*Program Analyst*

Mamesho Macaulay  
*Auditor*

Steven Meints  
*Special Agent*

William Murphy  
*Director*

Jessica Pearch  
*Auditor*

Jill Randall  
*Auditor*

Donell Ries  
*Auditor*

Karla Robinson  
*Auditor*

Donna Rosa  
*Auditor*

Laura Rousseau  
*Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge*

Jacob Rutz  
*Auditor*

Andrew Schmidt  
*Management Analyst*

Jon Schofield  
*Special Agent-in-Charge*

Wilbert J. Schwinn, III  
*Senior Management Analyst and OCO Coordinator*

Andrian Smith  
*Auditor*

Marianne Soliman  
*Auditor*

Kartik Srinivasan  
*Auditor*

Allison Tarmann  
*Writer-Editor*

Dave Thomanek  
*Director*

David Waldron  
*Auditor*

Christopher Walker  
*Auditor*

In recognition of the distinguished achievement of the OIGs of the Department of Defense, Department of State, and U.S. Agency for International Development for oversight of overseas contingency operations through the congressionally mandated Lead IG framework

**SENTNER AWARD FOR DEDICATION AND COURAGE**

**Department of Labor**

Michelle Stickler  
*Special Agent*

In recognition of performing a heroic act of bravery that warranted decisive action while in the face of personal danger and prevented what could have resulted in the death of an individual
JUNE GIBBS BROWN CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency

Frank S. Chase
Assistant Inspector General for Inspections

In recognition of 38 years of outstanding leadership in inspector general operations throughout the Department of Defense and Intelligence Community. Mr. Chase is without peer in inspection expertise and building organizations that promote the efficiency and integrity of Federal programs.

AWARD FOR INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT

Federal Reserve Board and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Khalid Hasan
Senior OIG Manager

In recognition of significant and sustained contributions to the CIGIE, by collaborating with the OMB, DHS, and across the IG community to update and improve the 2016 IG Reporting Metrics under the Federal Information Security Modernization Act.
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Barry R. Snyder
Joint Award
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*In recognition of excellence in leading the IG community's initial response to the DATA Act*
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Awards for Excellence
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Social Security Administration
Improving Employee Satisfaction Team

Kelly Bloyer
Assistant Inspector General for Communications and Resource Management

Andrew Cannarsa
Public Affairs Specialist

Max Dell
Management Analyst

Joseph Gangloff
Counsel to the Inspector General

Brian Karpe
Director of Human Resources, Budget, and Logistics

Tracy Lynge
Communications Director

Christin Silver
Public Affairs Specialist

Amy M. Smith
Executive Officer

In recognition of its outstanding efforts to improve communication from OIG leadership to staff; among OIG employees; and between OIG and SSA employees in support of our anti-fraud initiatives.

AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA Discrimination Claims Processes Audits Team

Dorothy Alley
Assistant Director

Christine Arbogast
Assistant Counsel

Dennis Boedigheimer
Assistant Director

Elizabeth Burchfield
Auditor

Monica DeVaughn
Auditor

Suzanne DuPont
Audit Technician

Ernest Hayashi
Director

Eric Hermosillo
Senior Auditor

Adel Hernandez
Senior Auditor

Donte Jones
Auditor

Paul Keating
Director

Turon Kendrick
Senior Auditor

Barbara Lewis
Auditor

Benjamin Lloyd
Senior Auditor

Michael Martin
Supervisory Writer-Editor

John Massa
Senior Auditor

Leigh Meyer
Senior Auditor

Andrea Minter
Auditor

James Myers
Senior Auditor

Alexis Payne
Assistant Director

Donald Pfeil
Senior Auditor

Thomas Redmond
Senior Auditor
In recognition of outstanding efforts of the Black Farmers Discrimination Litigation and the Hispanic and Women Farmers and Ranchers litigation audit teams to ensure the integrity of the discrimination claims processes.

Amtrak
New Jersey High-Speed Rail Improvement Project Audit Team

In recognition of audit work that strengthened Amtrak’s management and oversight of the New Jersey High-Speed Rail Improvement Project.

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

In recognition of exemplary achievement in identifying critical weaknesses to Congress and Department leadership concerning NOAA’s management and acquisition of the $10.8 billion Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite-R Series.

U.S. Department of Defense
Air Force and Navy Secret Internet Protocol Router Network Security Controls Audit Team

In recognition of audit work that strengthened the management and oversight of the Air Force and Navy Secret Internet Protocol Router Network Security Controls.

Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency
In recognition of exceptional performance in the review of the Air Force and Navy SIPRNET Security Controls

Government Travel Charge Cards Used at Casinos and Adult Entertainment Establishments Audit Team

Adam Conrath
Team Leader
Travis Duling
Team Leader
Benjamin Howison
Team Leader
Peggy Hutchinson
Team Leader
Paul Knoth
Attorney
William Lemmon
Team Leader

In recognition of exceptional performance in identifying misuse and abuse of Department of Defense government travel charge cards at casinos and adult entertainment establishments

U.S. Department of Education
SOLEX College Audit Team

William Bennett
Auditor
Gregory Bernert
Auditor
Nancy Buckheit
Statistician
Carla McKenzie
Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General
Jeffrey Nekrasz
Student Financial Advisory and Assistance Team

Lisa F. Robinson
Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit
Thomas Sample
Auditor-in-Charge
Christian Vierling
Director, Student Financial Advisory and Assistance Team
Gary D. Whitman
Regional Inspector General for Audit

In recognition of exemplary efforts in auditing and use of data analytics that identified critical issues of interest to the U.S. Department of Education in its efforts to reduce the risk of fraud, waste, and abuse in the Federal Pell Grant program

U.S. Department of Energy
The National Nuclear Security Administration's Network Vision Initiative Audit Team

Heather Baumgartel
Team Leader, Technology Audit Group

Julie Buel
Auditor, Technology Audit Group
In recognition of outstanding audit work that identified significant project management weaknesses related to The National Nuclear Security Administration’s Network Vision Initiative

Export-Import Bank of the United States
Export-Import Bank Contracting Audit Team

Karin Beam
Auditor-in-Charge

Courtney Potter
Project Manager

In recognition of excellence in identifying opportunities for Export-Import Bank to significantly improve its contracting processes

Federal Reserve Board and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
Audit Team for the Federal Reserve Board’s Public Release of Economic Information

Patricia Bradford
Audit Intern

Brent Melson
OIG Manager

Shola Epemolu
Auditor

Lindsay Mough
Senior Auditor

Ed Fernandez
Senior Auditor and Project Lead

Sean Newman
Auditor

John Galvin
Auditor

Laura Polly
Senior Communications Analyst

Andrew Gibson
Senior IT Auditor

Timothy Rogers
Senior OIG Manager

Anne Keenaghan
Project Manager

Megan Taylor
Auditor

In recognition of significant contributions to strengthening the Federal Reserve Board’s controls to safeguard embargoed sensitive economic information provided to news organizations

General Services Administration
IT Contractor Preaward Audit Team

Erin Kraft
Auditor-in-Charge

Daniel Riggs
Auditor

Erin Priddy
Audit Manager

John Walsh
Heartland Regional Inspector General for Auditing

In recognition of outstanding work resulting in $123 million of cost savings on a large General Services Administration contract for information technology equipment
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Generic Drug Price Increases Audit Team

Paul Chesser
Audit Manager

Kelsey Mitchell
Auditor

Matthew Odom
Senior Auditor

In recognition of major contributions made in response to a congressional request
to examine generic drug price increases and their effect on Medicaid

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Office of Audits, FPS Vehicle Fleet Operations Team

Elizabeth Argeris
Communications Analyst

Thomas J. Bobrowski
Auditor-in-Charge

Donald Bumgardner
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits

Cecilia Carroll
Audit Manager

Peter Christopher
Independent Referencer

David DeHaven
Auditor

Kevin Dolloson
Communications Analyst

Andrew Herman
Auditor

Muhammad Islam
Ph.D., Statistician

Eddie Jones
Auditor

Lindsey Koch
Auditor

Jeff Mun
Auditor

Paul Wood
Director

In recognition of the DHS OIG audit team’s exemplary service and commendable effort
in auditing the Federal Protective Service’s management of its vehicle fleet

Office of IT Audits, TSA’s Airport Worker Vetting Team

Charlene Savoy
Program Analyst

Tuyet-Quan Thai
Director

Charles Twitty
Independent Referencer

Scott Wrightson
Audit Manager

In recognition of outstanding achievement in auditing the Transportation Security
Administration’s (TSA) vetting of airport workers with access to secure areas of commercial
airports resulting in recommendations for improving the vetting process
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Internal Audit Team for Overincome Families Residing in Public Housing Units

Kimberly L. Harrison
Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit

Andrew S. Meyers
Senior Auditor

In recognition of your outstanding achievement in improving the integrity, efficiency and effectiveness of executive branch agency operations

U.S. Department of the Interior
Climate Science Centers

Stephen Gregoire
Regional Supervisor Eastern Region

Lisa Knight
Writer-Editor

Sheri Meyers
Evaluator

Patrick O’Boyle
Evaluator

In recognition of scientific tools to increase understanding of climate change and determine an effective response to its impact on tribes and on land, water, ocean, fish and wildlife, and cultural heritage resources

U.S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration's Confidential Source Policies and Oversight of Higher Risk Confidential Sources Team

Jacqueline K. Bailey
Co-Auditor-in-Charge

Cesar A. Garcia
Program Analyst

Jennifer A. Maloney
Program Manager

Michelle M. Proesel
Assistant Regional Audit Manager

Urszula E. Salwin-Rolkowski
Co-Auditor-in-Charge

Carol S. Taraszka
Regional Audit Manager

In recognition of the team’s determination and resilience to overcome numerous obstacles to access necessary information and report on significant issues related to the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) management and oversight

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s Whistleblower Protection Programs Audit Team

Rebecca Bowen
Audit Manager

Mary Louise Casazza
Assistant Director

Renata Hobbs
Auditor

Sheila Lay
Auditor
In recognition of excellence for work that contributed to strengthening the Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s Whistleblower Protection Programs to provide better protection against employer retaliation for workers who "blow the whistle".

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Letisha Antone
Lead Auditor

Loretta Atkinson
Project Manager

David Balajthy
Auditor

Sarah Beckwith
Auditor

Ridge Bowman
Director, Space Operations Directorate

Cedric Campbell
Associate Counsel

Kevin Fagedes
Project Manager

Sashka Mannion
Auditor

Robert Proudfoot
Auditor

Raymond Tolomeo
Director, Science and Aeronautics Research Directorate

In recognition of exceptional achievement and outstanding teamwork reviewing NASA’s response to commercial contractor’s 2014 launch failure of a cargo mission and its impacts on resupply of the International Space Station.

National Security Agency
NSA Contract Closeout Audit Team

Stacey Morck
Auditor

Nicholas Napolitano
Senior Auditor

In recognition for outstanding efforts to ensure that the Agency accurately and effectively manages funds remaining on closed contracts as well as improve accountability over government-furnished property.

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
The Security and Information Management Team

Ziad M. Buhaissi
Senior Auditor

Jenny Cheung
Auditor

Ebaide J. Esoimeme
Auditor

Paul S. Rades
Audit Manager

Beth H. Serepca
Team Leader

For exceptional performance in identifying information security weaknesses at the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board that led to improvements in their cyber security guidance and access controls over sensitive unclassified information.
The Security and Information Management Team

Ebaide J. Esoimeme  
*Auditor*

Amy Hardin  
*Senior Auditor*

Andrew D. Pham  
*Student Management Analyst*

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In recognition of the outstanding work of the USPS OIG’s IT audit team in identifying weaknesses in USPS's cybersecurity strategy, resourcing, and training; and recommending improvements in response to the 2014 Postal Service cyber intrusion.

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In recognition of outstanding achievement in identifying and analyzing excessive and dramatically escalating U.S. Postal Service Office of Workers’ Compensation Program (OWCP) compound drug costs and sounding the alarm for actions to curtail these costs

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Audit of the Seismic Safety of VA’s Facilities

In recognition of outstanding audit work exposing major seismic deficiencies within VA facilities, leading to a Presidential Executive Order ensuring veteran and employee safety in not only VA but all Federal buildings with high risk seismic activity

EMPLOYEE PROTECTIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

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In recognition of HHS OIG's multidisciplinary effort to produce a targeted data brief, an innovative portfolio report, and coordinated investigations that brought national attention to the vulnerabilities in Medicare Part D program integrity

**U.S. Department of the Interior**

Security of the U.S. Department of the Interior Publicly Accessible Information Technology Systems

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In recognition of the outstanding teamwork in a multiyear joint agency investigation that uncovered a unique, complex and sophisticated $30 million employee benefit and Federal contract fraud scheme involving over 1,000 victims
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In recognition of exceptional collaboration with federal investigative agencies to successfully detect a fuel theft scheme leading to multiple prosecutions and $26.8 million in penalties and seizures.

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In recognition for outstanding investigation of a multibillion dollar life-threatening defective product scheme.

U.S. Department of State
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In recognition of exceptional performance identifying and resolving a global, multilevel marketing fraud scheme, resulting in the successful criminal prosecution of four co-conspirators and a civil settlement of $1.65 million

**U.S. Department of the Treasury**

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