



Joseph R. Oliva

Joseph R. Oliva, Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired), CPA, CGMA, has served in uniform and as a federal civilian employee for more than 50 years. In 1998, he retired from the Army after 32 years in the Army National Guard and on active duty. Since his retirement from military service, he has served continuously in the Federal inspector general community. Mr. Oliva's career – both as a soldier and Federal civil servant – includes multiple overseas assignments, multiple warzone deployments, three tours as an Army Inspector General, more than ten years with the Office of Inspector General at the United States Postal Service, and more than seven years with the Department of Defense Inspector General (DoD IG).

He currently serves as Director, DoD IG Special Plans and Operations, leading a multidisciplinary staff of auditors, analysts, technicians and senior military officers assigned to projects and locations worldwide.

In addition to various assignments during his public service career, Mr. Oliva is active in the greater accountability profession. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Accountants (AICPA), the American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC), the Maryland Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA), the Association of Government Accountants (AGA), and the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) Federal Audit Executive Council. He currently serves as Chairman of the AGA Professional Ethics Board, Co-Chair of the CIGIE Federal Audit Executive Council Contracting Committee, and Co-Chair of the Maryland Association of CPAs Committee for CPAs in Government.

Mr. Oliva's military awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the NATO Medal for Service in the former Republic of Yugoslavia, and the United Nations Protection Force Medal for Service in Bosnia-Herzegovina. For his work with the accountability profession, Mr. Oliva has received ten CIGIE (or predecessor organization) Awards for Excellence, the Secretary of Defense Medal for the Global War on Terrorism; the NATO Medal for Civilian Service in Afghanistan; the DoD IG Eagle Award for Service in Southwest Asia, the AGA National President's Award presented for leadership in furthering government accountability, and the AGA Northern Virginia Chapter Pentagon Memorial Service Award presented for public service to the nation.

Mr. Oliva is a CPA and a Charter Global Management Accountant (CGMA). He holds a Bachelor of Science in Management Science from Kean University; a Masters of Business Administration in Accounting from Fairleigh Dickinson University; and he completed the United States Army War College as a National Security Research Fellow at Harvard University. He is also a graduate of the United States Army Field Artillery School; the United States Army Command and General Staff College; the United States Army Inspector General School; the United States Army Logistics Management College; Harvard University's Executive Program for Senior Officials in National Security; and the Federal Executive Institute.