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Inspector General, Farm Credit Administration
Rod J. Rosenstein was sworn in as the 37th Deputy Attorney General of the United States on April 26, 2017, by Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

Mr. Rosenstein graduated from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, with a B.S. in Economics, summa cum laude, in 1986. He earned his J.D. cum laude in 1989 from Harvard Law School, where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. Upon graduation, he served as a law clerk to Judge Douglas H. Ginsburg of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

After joining the U.S. Department of Justice through the Attorney General’s Honors Program in 1990, Mr. Rosenstein prosecuted public corruption cases as a trial attorney with the Public Integrity Section of the Criminal Division. He then served as Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General (1993 - 1994), Special Assistant to the Criminal Division’s Assistant Attorney General (1994 - 1995), and Associate Independent Counsel (1995 to 1997).

In 1997, Mr. Rosenstein became an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Maryland. He prosecuted cases in the U.S. District Court and briefed and argued appeals in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. He also coordinated the credit card fraud and international assistance programs.

From 2001 to 2005, Mr. Rosenstein served as Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Tax Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. He supervised the Division’s criminal sections and coordinated the tax enforcement activities of the Tax Division, the U.S. Attorney’s Offices and the Internal Revenue Service. He also oversaw civil litigation and served as the acting head of the Tax Division when the Assistant Attorney General was unavailable, and he personally briefed and argued federal civil appeals.

Mr. Rosenstein served as the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland from 2005 to 2017. He oversaw federal criminal and civil litigation and developed and implemented federal law enforcement strategies in Maryland. During his tenure as U.S. Attorney, Mr. Rosenstein served on the Washington/Baltimore High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force and on the Attorney General’s Advisory Committee. He also personally litigated cases in the U.S. District Court and in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.

President Donald J. Trump announced his intention to nominate Mr. Rosenstein on January 31, 2017. The Senate confirmed his nomination on April 25, 2017.
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 13,000 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.
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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 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 Tehran, 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 Glyms, 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

Agency for International Development

Rebecca Giacalone
Special Agent

In recognition of sustained superior levels of performance, extreme courage, and investigative determination in furtherance of foreign assistance oversight in a war-torn region

GASTON L. GIANNI, JR. BETTER GOVERNMENT AWARD

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
VA Secretary and Delegation Travel to Europe Investigation Team

Domingo Alvarez
Administrative Investigator

Alexander Carlisle
Deputy Director

Debbie Crawford
Program Manager

Scott Eastman
Supervisory Management and Program Analyst

Linda Fournier
Director

Jason James
Administrative Investigator

Jacob Lay
Administrative Investigator

Charles Millard
Senior Administrative Investigator

R. James Mitchell
Attorney Advisor

Martha Plotkin
Special Assistant to the Inspector General

Leanne Shelly Watkins
Administrative Investigator

Ashley Shingler
Management Analyst

Michael Smith
Administrative Investigator

Clifford Stoddard
Attorney Advisor

William Tully
Administrative Investigator

Christopher Wilber
Counselor to the Inspector General

In recognition of the OIG team’s highly scrutinized ethics investigation of the VA Secretary’s travel to Europe that resulted in leadership changes, employee retraining, and recovery of taxpayer dollars

GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction
Leahy Laws Team

Daniel Chen
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Inspections

Julie Silvers
Senior Program Manager

Nicole Stauch
Senior Program Analyst

In recognition of excellence in responding to Congressional queries about Afghan assault violations, resulting in enacting legislation to ensure better reporting of incidents, which may help to safeguard Afghan children
SENTNER AWARD FOR DEDICATION AND COURAGE

Agency for International Development
Syria Investigations Team

Jessica Abenstein
Special Agent

Rebecca Giacalone
Special Agent

Lauren Kiesler
Special Agent

Omneya Mamdouh
Foreign Service National Investigator

Daniel Oliver Smith
Program Analyst

Galen Tan
Investigative Analyst

In recognition of exceptional and sustained courage and investigative determination in overseeing foreign assistance in a war-torn region

JUNE GIBBS BROWN CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

U.S. Department of Transportation

Brian Dettelbach
Assistant Inspector General for Legal, Legislative and External Affairs

In recognition of innovative and impactful contributions to legislation to protect the independence of Inspectors General and benefit the entire OIG community

AWARD FOR INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT

National Science Foundation

Alan F. Boehm
Assistant Inspector General for Investigations

In recognition of his singular contributions to the IG investigative community and his accomplishments as Chair and Vice Chair of the CIGIE AIGI Committee
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Barry R. Snyder
Joint Award
Office of Inspector General Community
Oversight.gov Team

Gary Barlet
Chief Information Officer, USPS

Brian Berran
Drupal Developer, USPS

Jeff Brewer
Information Technology Specialist, VA

Joseph Chang
Manager, Application Integration, USPS

Kim Hurley
Senior Advisor to the Assistant Inspector General for Management, DHS

Jennifer Jenkins
Senior Audit Manager, NSF

Donald W. Johnson
Web Content Manager, HUD

John Lavinsky
Senior Counsel to the Inspector General, DOJ

Kathleen Lupariello
Director, Application Integration, USPS

Marie Maguire
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, NSF

Byron McMurtrie
Cloud Infrastructure Engineer, USPS

Alex Padilla
Chief Information Officer, CIGIE

In recognition of the creation of Oversight.gov, a groundbreaking public database of reports and information from federal Inspectors General. The initiative represents an important milestone in cooperation and transparency for the IG community.
AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Agency for International Development
Public Health Preparedness Audit Team

Ryan McGonagle
Assistant Director
William Murphy
Former Director
Van Nguyen
Director
Steven Ramonas
Auditor
Brianna Schletz
Lead Auditor
Deanna Scott
Auditor
Karen Sloan
Communications Officer

In recognition of outstanding audit work identifying lessons learned from USAID's Ebola Response

U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA’s DATA Act Initiative

Josh Anderson
Senior Auditor
Corey Bidne
Assistant Director
Kimberly Bretz
Director
Tracey Burks
Auditor
Amy Donahoo
Senior Auditor
Nicholas Leatherwood
Senior Auditor
Theresa Malatek
Auditor
Michael Martin
Assistant Director, Writing and Publications Division
Andrea Minter
IT Specialist
Marlene Parnacott
Director
Alexis Payne
Assistant Director
Anthony Pilgrim
Senior Auditor
Zebulon Pomerenke
Senior Auditor
Steven Rickrode, Jr.
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit
Kelly Robinson
Senior Auditor
Jeffrey Scoma
Auditor
Keith Slagle
Senior Auditor
John Spivey
Auditor
Melinda Wenzl
Assistant Director
Michael Yarbrough
Director

In recognition of extraordinary efforts in completing the mandatory readiness review and compliance audits of USDA’s DATA Act implementation and submission
Amtrak
Acela Express 2021 Program Audit Team

Michael Kennedy
Senior Director, Lead

Amber Keyser
Senior Auditor, Lead

J.J. Marzullo
Senior Director

Andrew W. Mollohan
Auditor

Alison O’Neill
Communications Analyst

In recognition of audit work identifying mitigation opportunities for risks that could delay the Acela 2021 program—a $2.45 billion investment to replace high-speed trains operating on the Northeast Corridor and Amtrak’s largest ever single investment.

U.S. Department of Commerce
Census Background Check Office Audit Team

Crystal Brandon
Auditor

Carol Rice
Assistant Inspector General

Bradley Rogers
Supervisory Program Analyst

Peter Sima-Eichler
Lead Statistician

Terry Storms
Division Director

In recognition of a high-quality performance audit that identified significant deficiencies in the U.S. Census Bureau’s background check office and over $12 million in monetary benefits.

U.S. Department of Defense
Global Discovery Program and DoD Counternarcotics Agreements Audit Team

Brendan Clare
Technical Specialist

Deborah Culp
Program Director

Joel Dykes
Technical Specialist

Wendy Farrell
Editor

Paul Knoth
Counsel

Christine McIsaac
Project Manager

Cathy Mitchell
Team Leader

Erin Peters
Team Leader

KaToya Price
Auditor

Amanda Zenner
Auditor

In recognition of exceptional performance during the audit of the Global Discovery Program and DoD Counternarcotics Agreements.
U.S. Department of Education
Communicating Income-Driven Repayment and Loan Forgiveness Costs Team

Beverly Dalman  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit*

Anne Goodwin  
*Auditor*

Raymond Hendren  
*Regional Inspector General for Audit*

Stanley Karpinski  
*Auditor*

Carla McKenzie  
*Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General*

Jeffrey Nekrasz  
*Director, Student Financial Assistance Advisory and Assistance Team*

Kristin Reinhard  
*Management and Program Analyst, Student Financial Assistance Advisory and Assistance Team*

In recognition of outstanding achievement in identifying and reporting on a critical need for the Department of Education to provide more detailed information on costs, benefits, and financial effects of student loan repayment and forgiveness programs.

Protection of Personally Identifiable Information in Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Audit Team

Nancy Buckheit  
*Statistician*

Oscar Camacho  
*Auditor*

Therese Campbell  
*Assistant Director, Information Technology Audit Division*

Grace Chien  
*Management and Program Analyst, State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team*

Keith Cummins  
*Auditor, State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team*

Angelo Fallacaro  
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*Director, State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team*

Daniel Schultz  
*Regional Inspector General for Audit*

Shelley Shepherd  
*Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General*

Zachary Sudiak  
*IT Auditor*

In recognition of the team’s accomplishments in identifying significant internal control weaknesses in the Institute of Education Sciences’ grantee monitoring and State systems that contain students’ personally identifiable information.

Environmental Protection Agency
EPA OIG Puerto Rico State Revolving Funds Team

Angela Bennett  
*Project Manager*

Jan Lister  
*Auditor*

John Trefry  
*Director*

Lela Wong  
*Auditor*

In recognition of significant contributions to help ensure EPA’s mission to protect human health and the environment by uncovering and transparently reporting serious financial concerns with Puerto Rico’s CWSRF and DWSRF programs.
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
ICE Visa Overstay Tracking Team

Craig Adelman
Audit Manager
Kristen Bernard
Director
David Bunning
Independent Referencer

In recognition of outstanding audit work disclosing that DHS’ multiple legacy systems do not effectively support ICE tracking and removal of nonimmigrant visitors who overstay their U.S. visas

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Ronald J. Hosking
Regional Inspector General for Audit

Through your leadership and vision, you and your team provided tremendous assistance toward the mission of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development by identifying nearly $2 billion in savings and recoveries

U.S. Department of Justice
Audit team for the Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General’s Audit of the U.S. Marshals Service’s Contract with CoreCivic, Inc. to Operate the Leavenworth Detention Center

Edward A. Doyle
Auditor
Tonya S. Morrison
Program Manager

In recognition of outstanding achievement in conducting an audit of the U.S. Marshals Service’s Contract with CoreCivic, Inc. to Operate the Leavenworth Detention Center

U.S. Department of Labor
Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs
Pharmaceutical Audit Team

Stephen Fowler
Audit Director
Elisa LaRosa
Senior Auditor

In recognition of outstanding contributions to the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Inspector General’s audit of the Federal Employees’ Compensation Act program’s management of pharmaceutical benefits, particularly compounded drugs
National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
Audit of NGA’s Oversight of Contractor Performance and Contract Payments

Diane Dy  
*Financial Auditor*

Kandall Fulz  
*Performance Auditor*

Herminio Iriarry-Munoz  
*Performance Auditor*

Christine Staley  
*Assistant Inspector General for Audit*

James Webster  
*Performance Auditor – Lead*

Rebecca Yovich  
*Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Performance Audits*

In recognition of outstanding performance in the audit of NGA’s Oversight of Contractor Performance and Contract Payments

National Security Agency
Emergency Management Audit Team

Ashley L.  
*Auditor*

Nick N.  
*Auditor*

Tara N.  
*Auditor*

Katie S.  
*Auditor*

In recognition of the NSA OIG audit team’s exemplary accomplishments in performing an audit of NSA’s Emergency Management Program and their ability to quickly report health and safety concerns that required prompt attention affecting Agency employees

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NRC Certificates of Compliance for Radioactive Material Packages Audit Team

Ziad Buhaissi  
*Audit Manager*

George Gusack  
*Auditor*

Roxana Hartsock  
*Senior Auditor*

Avinash Jaigobind  
*Audit Manager*

Sherri Miotla  
*Team Leader*

John Thorp  
*Senior Technical Advisor*

For exceptional performance in identifying ways to improve NRC’s process for issuing certificates of compliance for radioactive material packages

Office of Personnel Management
OPM OIG Audit Team for Improper Payments to VA Health Care Providers

Lauren A. Goob  
*Auditor*

Nicholas E. Hoyle  
*Chief, Information Systems Audits Group*

Julie E. Johnson  
*Senior Team Leader*

Christine R. Vandervort  
*Auditor*

In recognition of outstanding oversight of the OPM-administered Federal Employees Health Benefits Program by identifying $111 million in improper health benefits payments to Department of Veterans Affairs health care facilities and providers
Small Business Administration
Audit Team for SBA’s Oversight of the VERA-VSIP

Riccardo Buglisi  
Director
Melanie Byrd  
Analyst
Leslie Kobus  
Auditor
David Lahey  
Auditor

John Seger  
Audit Manager
Christina Sweet  
Audit Manager
Jennifer Taylor  
Senior Writer-Editor

In recognition of excellence in identifying significant deficiencies in SBA’s oversight and management of the 2014 VERA-VSIP program

Social Security Administration
Multiple Social Security Number Audit Team

Jason Arrington  
Audit Manager
Ron Gunia  
Audit Director
Bill Kearns  
Information Technology Specialist

Wanda Renteria  
Senior Auditor
Wilfred Wong  
Audit Data Specialist

In recognition of utilizing sophisticated data matching techniques to determine the validity of payments SSA issued to beneficiaries who had multiple SSNs

Special Inspector General for Troubled Asset Relief Program
Audit—SIGTARP’s Oversight of Administrative Expenses in TARP’s Hardest Hit Fund Program

Caroline Ashe  
Supervisory Auditor
Vonda Batts  
Supervisory Auditor
Christopher Bosland  
Assistant Deputy, Special Inspector General Audit
Leslye Burgess  
Supervisory Auditor
Tracy Davis-Ross  
Auditor
Yusuf House  
Lead Auditor
Corrin King  
Auditor
Dennis Lee  
Lead Auditor

Amber Lyons  
Lead Auditor
Craig Meklir  
Supervisory Management and Program Analyst
Yvonne Monyei  
Lead Auditor
Rodney Purnell  
Auditor
William Saunders  
Auditor
Andrew Sinclair  
Lead Auditor
Luis Sustache-Davila  
Sr. Quality Control Review
Sylvester Tang  
Sr. Quality Control Review
Robert Torres  
Supervisory Auditor

Jenniffer Wilson  
Deputy, Special Inspector General Audit

For outstanding achievement in conducting an audit of Hardest Hit Fund administrative expenses that found $3 million in waste and abuse, and led to the further recovery of nearly $500,000 in additional wrongful charges to TARP.

SIGTARP Audit Group—Mismanagement of the Hardest Hit Fund in Georgia

Vonda Batts  
Supervisory Auditor

Christopher Bosland  
Assistant Deputy, Special Inspector General Audit

Yusuf House  
Lead Auditor

Dennis Lee  
Lead Auditor

Amber Lyons  
Lead Auditor

Craig Meklir  
Supervisory Management & Program Analyst

Yvonne Monyei  
Lead Auditor

Rodney Purnell  
Auditor

Andrew Sinclair  
Lead Auditor

Luis Sustache-Davila  
Sr. Quality Control Review

Sylvester Tang  
Sr. Quality Control Review

Jenniffer Wilson  
Deputy, Special Inspector General Audit

For outstanding audit work that identified mismanagement of the Hardest Hit Fund program by Georgia’s state housing agency that withheld relief from hard-hit homeowners and wasted taxpayer dollars.

U.S. Department of State

Audit of Select Cost-of-Living Allowances at Overseas Posts

Karen Crue  
Senior Auditor, Office of Audits

Wilvia Espinoza  
Audit Manager, Office of Audits

Jahmai Nicome  
Auditor, Office of Audits

Beverly J.C. O’Neill  
Director, Office of Audits

Rong Wang  
Audit Manager, Office of Audits

For outstanding achievement in identifying flaws in the methodology used to calculate cost-of-living allowances for American employees stationed overseas and prompting action that promotes equitable allowances while safeguarding taxpayer funds.

Tennessee Valley Authority

Preaward Contract Review Team

John H. Barrow  
Senior Auditor, Contract Audits

Chad B. Bube  
Director, Contract Audits
To recognize the team's significant contributions in helping the Tennessee Valley Authority reduce its future expenditures for major procurements by 6 percent over nine years.

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Commercial Motor Vehicle Driver Detention Effects Team**

Kerry Barras Program  
**Director**

John Hannon  
**Senior Analyst**

Betty Krier  
**Chief Economist**

Joao Macieira  
**Senior Economist**

Susan Neill  
**Writer-Editor**

Tyrone Sharpe  
**Senior Economist**

Bradley Shrago  
**Economist**

Petra Swartzlander  
**Senior Statistician**

Jerome Wei  
**Analyst**

Mathew Williams  
**Project Manager**

In recognition of pioneering and applying innovative methodologies to determine the safety and economic impact of extended wait times for commercial motor vehicle drivers at shipping facilities.

**U.S. Postal Service**

**U.S. Postal Service Package Delivery Scanning – Nationwide**

Marie Braggs  
**Audit Evaluator Analyst**

Germaine Kropilak  
**Data Mining Specialist**

Michael McElroy  
**Audit Evaluator**

Karla Miller  
**Audit Evaluator Analyst**

Kipling Nkrumah  
**Auditor**

Rita Oliver  
**Director**

Christy Roach  
**Audit Evaluator Analyst**

Michael Stanford  
**Operations Manager**

In recognition of outstanding achievement in evaluating the U.S. Postal Service Package Delivery Scanning – Nationwide and incorporating innovative analysis in their audit.
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
Veteran Wait Time Data, Choice Access, and Consult Management Team  

Maria Afamasaga  
Senior Management Analyst  

Kalli Anello  
Management Analyst  

Dr. John Bertolino  
Senior Physician  

Matthew Byrne  
Management Analyst  

Katherine Clay  
Management Analyst  

Glenn Dawkins  
Management Analyst  

Kevin Day  
Senior Auditor  

Marisa Fantasia  
Senior Management Analyst  

Michael Fleak  
Senior Auditor  

Lee Giesbrecht  
Statistician  

Timothy Halpin  
Supervisory Management Analyst  

Barry Johnson  
Audit Manager  

Eileen Keenan  
Health Systems Specialist  

Jennifer Leonard  
Senior Auditor  

Meredith Majerle  
Audit Manager  

Dr. Sonia Melwani  
Senior Physician  

Daniel Morris  
Director  

Karen Myers  
Senior Auditor  

David Orfalea  
Audit Manager  

Nilda Ortega  
Audit  

Carla Reid  
Audit Manager  

Victor Rhee  
Management Analyst  

Brock Sittinger  
Management Analyst  

Keila Tugwell-Core  
Senior Auditor  

Meredith Weberg  
Editor  

Debra Zamora  
Health Systems Specialist  

In recognition of the team’s exceptional collaborative work in identifying barriers to veterans’ access to quality care in Veterans Integrated Service Network 15, including scheduling and consult mismanagement, insufficient monitoring of community care referrals, and patient care concerns.

Management of Primary Care Panels Team  

Michael Fleak  
Senior Auditor  

Timothy Halpin  
Senior Management Analyst  

Brad Lewis  
Audit Manager  

Ken Myers  
Director  

Eric Sanford  
Auditor  

In recognition of the team’s remarkable efforts in identifying significant problems in primary care panel productivity, as well as issues with delays and with scheduling new veteran enrollees for health care.
EVALUATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Federal Housing Finance Agency
Fannie Mae Governance over Conflicts of Interest Evaluation Team

Jon Anders  
Program Analyst

Kyle D. Roberts  
Deputy Inspector General for Evaluations

In recognition of an evaluation that identified necessary improvements in FHFA’s oversight and Fannie Mae’s governance of conflicts of interest

FHFA Oversight of Fannie Mae’s Expenditures for Its New Headquarters Follow Up Review Team

David Bloch  
Senior Investigative Counsel

Alisa Davis  
Senior Policy Advisor

For exceptional work leading to a high-impact report on FHFA’s oversight of Fannie Mae’s build-out of its new Headquarters Building

U.S. Department of Justice
Review of the Handling of Sexual Harassment and Misconduct Allegations by the Department’s Civil Division Team

Jennifer C. Kim  
Program Analyst

James A. Klonoski  
Attorney Advisor

Fei Yin F. Luk  
Program Analyst

James A. Tyrell  
Deputy Assistant Inspector General

In recognition of exemplary work in identifying significant weaknesses in the Civil Division’s handling of sexual harassment and misconduct allegations

National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
Structured Observation Management (SOM) Inspection

Christine Cloutier  
Inspector

Nathan Deahl  
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Inspections

Dale Hutchinson  
Assistant Inspector General for Inspections

Lee Mitchell  
Lead Inspector

In recognition of team’s exceptional performance in the evaluation of NGA’s Structured Observation Management Program
National Security Agency
Counterterrorism Collection Authority Evaluation Team

Janet G.
Evaluator

Jennifer W.
Evaluator

In recognition of the NSA OIG evaluation team’s exemplary accomplishments in conducting detailed reviews and testing that assessed NSA’s compliance with the standard minimization procedures for a special counterterrorism collection authority.

Peace Corps
The Peace Corps/Kosovo Country Program Evaluation Team

Jerry Black
Assistant Inspector General for Evaluations

Alexandra Miller
Program Analyst

Kaitlyn Large
Evaluator

In recognition of the team’s exemplary coordination and timeliness on the evaluation of Peace Corps/Kosovo, which identified critical improvements needed for its community development project and its Volunteer health and safety support.

Small Business Administration
Evaluation Team for SBA 7(a) Loans Made to Poultry Farmers

Katie Bourwell
Audit Manager

James Quinn
Auditor-in-Charge

Andrea Deadwyler
Assistant Inspector General for Audits

Jennifer Taylor
Senior Writer-Editor

In recognition of excellence in identifying improvement opportunities for the oversight of 7(a) loans that will reduce risk, promote efficiency, and lower taxpayer costs.

Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction
Afghan North East Power System Team

Chelsea Cowan
Program Analyst

Abdul Rahim Rashidi
Management Analyst

Scott Harmon
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Inspections

Yogin Rawal
Professional Engineer

Steven Haughton
Senior Inspection Manager

Robert Rivas
Senior Auditor

Ahmad Javed Khairandish
Civil Engineer

In recognition of outstanding analysis in identifying mismanagement of a $60 million power system in Afghanistan that provided no tangible benefits to one million Afghans and wasted U.S. taxpayer funds.
Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency

U.S. Department of State
Department of State Foreign Assistance Funds Inspection Team

Arne Baker
Supervisory Senior Inspector, Office of Inspections

Jill Derderian
Senior Inspector, Office of Inspections

John Jones
Senior Inspector, Office of Inspections

Amanda Marsh
Inspector, Office of Inspections

Ami Schaefer
Inspector, Office of Inspections

Robert Silberstein
Supervisory Senior Inspector, Office of Inspections

Jonathon Walz
Inspector, Office of Inspections

In recognition of exemplary work to identify and address significant weaknesses in the Department of State's management and tracking of billions of dollars in U.S. foreign assistance funds

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Defense
Defense Information Systems Agency’s Communication Service Authorizations Program Audit Team

Shaneen Beamish
Team Leader

LTC Andre Brown
Subject Matter Expert

Dawn Conley
Team Leader

Wendy Farrell
Editor

John Gartland
Quantitative Methods

Michael Hepler
Project Manager

Peggy Hutchinson
Auditor

Christopher Lucas
Auditor

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