PERSPECTIVES ON LEADERSHIP

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Please join LIFT for this panel event discussing leadership perspectives for leading yourself, others, and teams.

PANELISTS:

JAY LERNER
FDIC OIG
Inspector General

GALE STALLWORTH STONE
FDIC OIG
Deputy Inspector General

TERRY GIBSON
FDIC OIG
AIG Audits, Evaluations, & Cyber

KEVIN ZACHERY
FDIC OIG
Engagement & Chief Learning Officer
Jay Lerner was sworn in as the third Presidentially-appointed FDIC Inspector General on January 9, 2017. Mr. Lerner also holds several other leadership positions in the IG community, serving as Vice Chair of CIGIE’s Legislation Committee and Vice Chair of CIGIE’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Work Group. He is also a Member of the Pandemic Response Accountability Committee.

Mr. Lerner previously worked as the Chief of Staff and Senior Counsel at the Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General. In this role, he provided leadership in the strategic and policy direction for the Office, as well as input into the overall planning, operations, and management of the Office, including all five of its divisions. Prior to this position, Mr. Lerner held other senior positions at Department of Justice, Department of Homeland Security, and the Transportation Services Administration.

Mr. Lerner has taught several courses on criminal law and law enforcement issues at George Washington University, the National Advocacy Center, and elsewhere. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, a Bachelor of Science degree in Accountancy from the University of Illinois, and passed the Certified Public Accountant Examination.
Gale Stallworth Stone
Deputy Inspector General
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) Office of Inspector General (OIG)

Gale Stone is a Deputy Inspector General in the FDIC Office of Inspector General. Prior to joining FDIC OIG, Ms. Stone had held positions at the Social Security Administration’s OIG since its inception in March 1995. Among numerous leadership positions, she served as Acting Inspector General from May 2016 to January 2019 and Deputy Inspector General from February 2013 to April 2016.

Ms. Stone began her Federal career as a cooperative education student in the Birmingham, Alabama office of the Health and Human Services OIG. Over the years, Ms. Stone has received numerous awards, including a 1996 Hammer Award, a 2002 Inspector General Award, and recognition from the former President’s Council on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE), including a 2004 Glenn Roth Award, a 2006 Award for Excellence, a 2007 Barry Snyder Award (jointly bestowed by the PCIE and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency), and a 2015 Presidential Rank Award.

Ms. Stone is a cum laude graduate of Huntingdon College in Montgomery, Alabama. She also holds a Master of Science Degree in Information Systems from The Johns Hopkins University, and is a Certified Public Accountant.
Terry Gibson serves as the Assistant Inspector General for Audits, Evaluations, and Cyber at the FDIC OIG. In this role, Ms. Gibson is responsible for planning and managing audits, evaluations, and other reviews of the FDIC’s programs and operations.

Ms. Gibson is a career public servant. She served as the Acting Inspector General of the Export-Import (EXIM) Bank of the United States from September 2017 to August 2018. In this role, Ms. Gibson provided overall direction to teams of auditors, investigators, and inspectors responsible for improving the programs and operations of EXIM Bank and preventing and detecting fraud, waste, and abuse. Prior to becoming the Acting IG, Ms. Gibson served for more than 3 years as the Assistant Inspector General for Audits at the EXIM Bank OIG.

Ms. Gibson began her career as an auditor at the Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of Inspector General and prior to her departure in 2014, served as the Director of Credit Programs. In this role, she was responsible for directing audits of SBA’s loan and investment programs. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Salisbury University and is a Certified Public Accountant in the State of Virginia.
Kevin Zachery was born in Paris, France, and raised in Eagle River, Alaska. He’s been a student of leadership and organizational development since high school, when he was the Commander of his Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training unit. After graduating from the United States Naval Academy, he served as a Naval Officer on numerous ships at sea and as the Assistant Chair for the Naval Academy’s Department of Leadership, Ethics, and Law, where he also taught leadership and ethics.

As a civilian, Mr. Zachery has worked with technology start-ups, non-profit organizations, and defense contractors. He also ran his own consulting business with his wife for 11 years, working with each of the Special Inspector General organizations, Treasury OIG, Department of Defence OIG, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, United States Agency for International Development, and defense contractors.

Mr. Zachery joined the federal government in April 2016, serving as the Director of Workforce Development for a division of Health and Human Services. In August 2020, he joined the Office of Inspector General for FDIC as its Engagement and Chief Learning Officer.

Mr. Zachery earned a Master of Science degree in Organizational Dynamics, from the University of Pennsylvania. He also serves as an Adjunct Professorial Lecturer in American University’s Key Executive Leadership Program, which prepares government professionals to become top-quality team and executive leaders.