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Ronald Reagan Building Amphitheater 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

CIGIE AWARDS – 2017 Order of Events

Presentation of Colors and National Anthem

Welcoming Remarks

THE HONORABLE JAY LERNER CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Keynote Address

THE HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER WRAY Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Special Category Awards Presentation

DUSTIN BROWN 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 C. Lerner CIGIE Vice Chair, Inspector General, National Science Foundation

Closing Remarks

LAURA DAVIS CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair Inspector General, National Endowment for the Humanities



Christopher Wray became the eighth Director of the FBI on August 2, 2017.

Mr. Wray was born in New York City. He graduated from Yale University in 1989 and earned his law degree from Yale Law School in 1992. He then clerked for Judge J. Michael Luttig of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. In 1993, he began working in private practice in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. Wray began his Department of Justice career in 1997 as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, where he prosecuted cases ranging from public corruption to gun trafficking and financial fraud. In 2001, he joined the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, where he served as associate deputy attorney general and then principal associate deputy attorney general, with oversight responsibilities spanning the full Department.

In 2003, Mr. Wray was nominated by President George W. Bush to serve as assistant attorney general for the Criminal Division. In addition to overseeing criminal matters, Mr. Wray played a key role in the evolving national security mission of the Department. He also served on the President's Corporate Fraud Task Force and supervised the Enron Task Force and other major national and international fraud investigations. At the conclusion of his tenure, Mr. Wray was awarded the Edmund J. Randolph Award, the Department of Justice's highest award for leadership and public service.

After leaving the Department of Justice in 2005, Mr. Wray returned to private practice at the law firm King & Spalding, where he chaired the Special Matters and Government Investigations Practice Group.



MICHAEL E. HOROWITZ Chair



Allison C. Lerner Vice Chair

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.

Each year, the approximately 14,000 staff at our 73 Inspector General (IG) offices perform 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 Glynco, 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

U.S. Department of Homeland Security DHS-OIG/Office of IT Audits, USCIS Green Cards

Kristen Bernard Director Swati Nijhawan Senior Program Analyst

Richard Saunders Independent Referencer

Gregory Flatow Program Analyst

Kristen Fogart Audit Manager

> In recognition of outstanding audit work disclosing USCIS' issuance of duplicate and erroneous Green Cards to immigrants, which posed national security risks, denied benefits for approved applicants, and increased workload and costs for the agency

GASTON L. GIANNI, JR. BETTER GOVERNMENT AWARD

U.S. Agency for International Development USAID OIG Investigation of Syria Humanitarian Aid

Jessica Abenstein Special Agent Laura Rousseau Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge

Rebecca Giacalone Team Leader, D-ISIS Investigations Task Force

> Lauren Kiesler Special Agent

Jacob Rutz Auditor

In recognition of extreme courage and investigative determination in furtherance of foreign assistance oversight in a war-torn region

GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

Peace Corps The Inspector General Empowerment Act Team

Emilia DiSanto Deputy Inspector General, Department of State OIG

Kevin Donohue Deputy General Counsel, Department of State OIG

Joanne Eldridge Associate General Counsel, Department of State OIG

> Joaquin Ferrao Deputy Inspector General/Legal Counsel

Christopher Fontanesi Attorney-Advisor

Jay N. Lerner Chief of Staff, Department of Justice OIG

Patricia Papas Associate General Counsel, Department of State OIG

Linette Romer Associate General Counsel, Department of State OIG Sheldon Shoemaker Chief of Staff, Small Business Association OIG Hillel Weinberg Senior Advisor, Department of State OIG

For exemplary work in supporting Congress to pass the Inspector General Empowerment Act

SENTNER AWARD FOR DEDICATION AND COURAGE

Social Security Administration

Clara Soto Auditor

In recognition of her uncommon selflessness, dedication to duty, and courage while completing work on the Match of California Death Information Against Social Security Administration Records audit

JUNE GIBBS BROWN CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

U.S. Department of Defense

Donald M. Horstman Operational Research Analyst

In recognition of sustained and significant contributions of Mr. Donald M. Horstman throughout his career with the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General and in support of the newly formed Lead Inspector General oversight mission

Award for Individual Accomplishment

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Sue Murrin Deputy Inspector General, Office of Evaluation and Inspections

In recognition of Sue Murrin, who as chair of the CIGIE Inspection and Evaluation (ISE) Roundtable, led members of the ISE Community to successfully create an ISE Peer Review process



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Barry R. Snyder Joint Award

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development The CIGIE Leadership Development Team

Beatrice Babalola Program Analyst, DoD OIG

Michael Diavolikis Senior Writer-Editor, CIGIE

Kevin S. Donohue Deputy General Counsel, State Department OIG

> Sharon Ginley Director, HR Division, DOI OIG

Deborah Glorioso Training Administrator, USDA OIG

David Gross Director, LMS Academy, CIGIE / DoD OIG

> Darcy Katzin Attorney, DOJ OIG

Angela Low Instructional Systems Specialist, DHS OIG

Gale Moore Human Capital Management - Training, HUD OIG Jacquelyn Phillips Director, Plans, Performance, Risk Management and Engagement, HUD OIG

> Gregory D. Sampson Program Manager, DoD OIG

Lisa M. Schwartz Human Resources Specialist, DOJ OIG

Elise Stein Director, Intergovernmental Affairs, HHS OIG

Norma Taylor Senior Human Resources Consultant, HUD OIG

> Viking White Training Specialist, DoD OIG

F. Deane Williams Division Director, DoD OIG

William Yeager Director, Training and Workforce Development, DHS OIG

In recognition of exceptional collaborative efforts leading to the successful launch and adoption of the CIGIE Fellowship Program and Annual Leadership Forum



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Awards for Excellence

Administrative Support Award for Excellence

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Process Improvement Enhancements to Improve OIG Hotline Coordination and Collaboration Team

Joseph Beidle	Scotty Hall
Hotline Analyst	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Star Blondell	Sandra Khan
Deputy Director	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Sheila Brown	Ruth Miller
Deputy Director	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Tyrone Burrell	Charles Pomerat
<i>Hotline Analyst</i>	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Marci Davis	David Roberts
<i>Hotline Analyst</i>	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Sheyla Desir	Simone Saunches
Hotline Analyst	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Cheryl Edwards	Tonya Shorts
Director	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Latreala Exum	Dorcas Smith
<i>Hotline Analyst</i>	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>
Alison Faulk	Cynthia Watson
<i>Hotline Analyst</i>	<i>Hotline Analyst</i>

Yvonne Williams Hotline Analyst

In recognition of significant contributions by improving Hotline operations to more timely assess, triage, and initiate actions of received allegations resulting in improved customer service and transparency of actions taken on behalf of complainants

AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Agriculture SNAP Administrative Costs Review Team

Kelvin Bailey Auditor

Takisha Gamble Hotline Analyst

> Rodney DeSmet Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

> > Holly Greene

Auditor

Jason Beard Auditor-in-Charge

> Greg Benda Senior Auditor

Dedra Chandler Assistant Director; Food, Nutrition, Marketing, and Development Division Bryan Gulick Auditor

Kevin Gunnells Assistant Director

Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency

Tiffany Hooper Assistant Director

Gwen Kirby Writer-Editor (former employee)

> Albert Kozak Senior Auditor

Wilmer Lopez Senior Auditor

Michael Martin Assistant Director, Writing and Publications Division

Joseph Mickiewicz Director; Food, Nutrition, Marketing, and Development Division Donna Morgan Writer-Editor

Yarisis Rivera-Rojas Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

> Juan Segura Peinado Auditor

> > Keith Sprouse Senior Auditor

Michael Yarbrough Director

In recognition of extraordinary efforts to identify weaknesses in USDA SNAP and recommend pragmatic solutions to ensure that SNAP resources are properly used

U.S. Meat Animal Research Center Review Team

Anthony Kloeppel Assistant Director

Michael Martin Assistant Director, Writing and Publication Division

> Derek Morton Senior Auditor

Yarisis Rivera-Rojas Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

Stephanni Stafford Assistant Director; Farm, Trade, Research, and Environmental Division

> Carlin Walker Director

J. J. Marzullo

Senior Audit Manager

Andrew Mollohan

Auditor

In recognition of extraordinary efforts in evaluating the operations of the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center and investigating allegations of egregious animal mistreatment at the facility

> Amtrak Passenger Boarding Audit Team

John Borrelli Senior Auditor, Lead

Leila Kahn Senior Director, Lead

For a comprehensive and timely report that helped strengthen Amtrak's efficiency, safety, and customer service experience by recommending the use of leading international and regional passenger boarding practices

U.S. Capitol Police

Thomas J. Schweinefuss Assistant Inspector General for Audits

In recognition of excellence in auditing and leadership, which resulted in OIG reducing its budgetary footprint by over \$2 million by using OIG staff to conduct the annual financial statement audit of USCP

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

Hana Carney Assistant Counsel

Allen Crawley AIG for Systems Acquisition and IT Security

> John Haynie Systems Engineer

Matthew Katz Supervisor Writer-Editor

Edward Kell Electronics Engineer Richard Krasner Senior Satellite Analyst

Frederick Meny Director for Satellites and Weather Systems

> Katherine Smith Auditor

Frank Tersigni Physical Scientist

In recognition of exemplary achievement in identifying critical weaknesses and \$25 million in potential monetary benefits to Congress and Department leadership on NOAA's \$10.8 billion Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite-R Series program

U.S. Department of Defense

Financial Management and Reporting Overseas Contingency Operations Reporting Audit Team

Lise N. Dormeus Auditor

Amanda Faust *Team Leader*

Karen Goff Deputy Assistant Inspector General

> Michael Jarvis *Team Leader*

Emily Kieffer Auditor

Chad Maroska Auditor Craig Michaels Program Director

Sharon Roydes Team Leader

Thomas Shurman Auditor

Rachel Suydam Auditor

Jamie Vandesteene Project Manager

Lorin Venable Assistant Inspector General

For outstanding achievements in improving the integrity, efficiency, and effectiveness of DoD reporting of the Overseas Contingency Operation costs and establishing a sustainable multi-agency commitment to assisting the Lead IG in accomplishing its mission

U.S. Department of Education

Nationwide Assessment of Charter School Management Organizations Audit Team

William Bennett Auditor

Mildred Blanes Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audits Giovanni Brignoni Auditor

Nancy Buckheit Statistician Oscar Camacho Auditor

> Dana Caro *Auditor*

Keith Cummins Auditor, State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team

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> Erin Dollard Auditor

Jon Enslen Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit

> Angelo Fallacaro Auditor

Witold Felski Auditor

Alyce Frazier Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit

> Chris Gamble Regional Inspector General for Audit

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> Ray Hendren Regional Inspector General for Audit

> > Doral Hill Auditor

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Juan Santiago-Diaz *Auditor*

Daniel Schultz Regional Inspector General for Audit

> Geraldine Soriano Auditor-in-Charge

Bernard Tadley Regional Inspector General for Audit

> Chris Taul Auditor

April White Auditor

Gary Whitman Regional Inspector General for Audit

In recognition of the team's outstanding accomplishments in contributing to improvements in the governance of charter management organizations and the charter schools they manage

U.S. Department of Energy Hanford Site Information Technology Contract Management Audit Team

Michael D'Antonio Auditor, Technology Audit Group Sarah Nelson Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Administration

Todd Wisniewski

Director, Information Technology and Financial Audits

Julie Fuselier Auditor-in-Charge, Technology Audit Group

> Wayne Herbert Auditor, Technology Audit Group

> > In recognition of outstanding audit work that identified the inappropriate management and oversight of information technology contracts at the Department of Energy's Hanford Site and resulted in questioned costs of more than \$183 million

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Ensuring that Major Information Security Incidents are Identified and Reported to Congress Consistent with Statutory Requirements

> Jill Benham Audit Specialist

Laura Benton Audit Manager

In recognition of completing an audit of the FDIC's Process for Identifying and Reporting Major Information Security Incidents

General Services Administration Deloitte Consulting Services Settlement Team

Andrea Clarke Auditor-in-Charge Daniel Riggs Auditor

John Walsh Regional Inspector General for Audits

Special Agent-in-Charge Erin Priddy Audit Manager

John Kolze

In recognition of outstanding work on a postaward audit and a False Claims Act case resulting in an \$11.4 million settlement

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Express Lane Eligibility Audit Team

Akram Alrubayai Senior Auditor

Deana Baggett Auditor

Kathy Carter Senior Auditor

Shawn Edwards Senior Auditor

Michael Hayden Senior Auditor

Stanley Jackson Auditor

Truman Mayfield Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

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Craig Pfeifer Auditor

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Jared Smith Director, Quantitative Methods

> Louis Sobers Auditor

Anthony Soto McGrath Social Science Research Analyst

> Wayne Southwell Senior Auditor

Ruey-En Tang Auditor

Andrew VanLandingham Senior Counsel Sonia Viramontes Senior Auditor

In recognition of outstanding work in responding to congressional inquiries concerning the Express Lane Eligibility Option in the Medicaid and CHIP programs

Federal Medicaid Withdrawals Audit Team

John Beacham Audit Manager, Medicaid Audits

> Troy Butcher Senior Auditor

Tate Clark Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

Miquel Darcey Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

> Chriscilla Fitzsimmons Auditor

> > Tonya Gibbs Senior Auditor

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Alexandria Hayden Senior Auditor Trenton Hubbard *Auditor*

Gerald Illies Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

> Shelton Jensen Senior Auditor

Warren Lundy Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

> Keith Peters Auditor

Megan Tinker Senior Advisor for Legal Review

Paul Westfall Senior Counsel (former employee)

Patricia Wheeler Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

In recognition of contributions to a nationwide audit to safeguard Federal Medicaid withdrawals

U.S. Department of Homeland Security TSA Risk-Based Security Strategy Team

Elizabeth Argeris Communications Analyst

> Marisa Coccaro Program Analyst

Heidi Ensweiler Program Analyst

Jeanette Hyatt Auditor

Armando Lastra Independent Referencer Victor Leung Program Analyst

Anne M. Mattingly *Audit Manager*

> Ardeth Savery Auditor

Lisa VonderHaar Director

In recognition of the TSA Risk-Based Security Strategy team's exemplary service and commendable effort, which provided demonstrated value to the Congress

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Consolidated Principal Financial Statements Audit Team

Robyn Berkenbilt Auditor

Theodore Kirby Senior Auditor

Victoria LaRock Auditor

Thomas McEnanly Director

Joseph Oppong Auditor Sarah Sequeira Assistant Director

Michael Shomper Senior Auditor

> Preeti Tilve Auditor

Brittany Wing Senior Auditor

Seedara Zaheer Auditor

For uncovering material pervasive errors with an absolute value of over \$278 billion in HUD's Fiscal Year 2016 and 2015 Principal Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes; causing HUD to withdraw and reissue corrected financial statements

U.S. Department of Justice Educational Advancement Alliance Team

Michelle L. Batignani Special Agent

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> Elizabeth P. Gontarek Senior Forensic Auditor

> > Valerie D. Jesuit Auditor

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> Joelle K. Wolf Program Analyst

Craig Yuen Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge

In recognition of the audit and investigations into the Educational Advancement Alliance, which led to nearly \$2 million in audit findings and the subsequent criminal convictions of five individuals, including a U.S. Congressman

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NASA Office of Inspector General Review of NASA's Plans for Human Exploration Beyond Low Earth Orbit

Susan Bachle Lead Auditor

David Balajthy Auditor

Michael Beims Computer Engineer Ridge Bowman Director, Space Operations Directorate

> Cedric Campbell Associate Counsel

Kevin Fagedes Project Manager Frank Martin Aerospace Technologist

Sarah McGrath Graphics Design and Editor Robert Proudfoot Auditor

In recognition of exceptional achievement and outstanding teamwork in its review of NASA's plans for human exploration beyond low Earth orbit

Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program SIGTARP's Oversight of the Hardest Hit Fund in Nevada

Joshua Alexander *Editor*

Caroline Ashe Chief Forensic Auditor

> Clark Beecken Auditor

Christopher Bosland Assistant Deputy Special Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation Division

> Christina Harris Auditor

Yusuf House Lead Auditor

Yvonne Monyei Lead Auditor Crystal Reese Director Forensic Auditor

> William Saunders Auditor

Andrew Sinclair Auditor-in-Charge

Sylvester Tang Auditor

Jenniffer Wilson Deputy Special Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation Division

> Kamruz Zaman Auditor

For outstanding achievement in conducting a forensic audit of the Hardest Hit Fund program in Nevada that found \$8.2 million of widespread waste and abuse of TARP funds

Tennessee Valley Authority

John Barrow Senior Auditor

To recognize exceptional performance on a contract audit where a vendor agreed to reimburse overcharges within one week of the final report, correct nine years of incorrect charges, reduce rates 10-22 percent and potentially save TVA \$10M in costs

> U.S. Department of the Interior Klamath Basin Program

Michael P. Colombo Regional Manager Krista Dragila Auditor Jennifer Garleb Auditor

Kevin W. Graves Supervisory Auditor

Jon D. Pifer Associate General Counsel

> In recognition of the team's exemplary work in identifying serious and significant deficiencies in the Bureau of Reclamation's management and oversight of the Klamath Basin Project in Oregon and California that allowed the award of a cooperative agreement

> > U.S. Department of the Treasury Iran Payment Audit Team

Richard Delmar Counsel

Jeanne DiFruscia Auditor

Kenneth Dion Audit Manager

Jeffery Dye Audit Director . . _. .

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Management and Program Analyst

Victor Sepulveda

Auditor

Mary Stack

Writer-Editor

Shaneasha Edwards Program Analyst

Deborah Harker Assistant Inspector General for Audit

> Andrea Smith Audit Director

Gregory Sullivan Auditor

In recognition of excellence in performing a review of the U.S. Government's \$1.3 billion payment to Iran from the Judgement Fund

U.S. Department of Transportation Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Team

Colby L. Britton Special Agent

Kent E. Byers Special Agent

Tanya E. Chavez Special Agent

Michael R. Clark Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge

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Jill L. Cottonaro Project Manager

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> Henry Rivas Special Agent

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> Robert J. Stanek Special Agent

Michaela L. Stuart Special Agent

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Eileen Vidal-Codispot Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge

> Teri L. Vogliardo Senior Analyst

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Jacquie M. Wente Special Agent

Bradley D. Wheeler Special Agent

Ann C. Wright Project Manager

Anthony J. Wysocki Program Director

In recognition of outstanding team contributions toward strengthening and improving the Department of Transportation's stewardship of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

Federal Highway Administration Preliminary Engineering Oversight Team

Cynthia M. Auburn Senior Analyst

Thomas Denomme Project Consultant

Stephen Gruner Project Manager

John M. Hannon Senior Auditor

Anne-Marie C. Jospeh Senior Engineer

> Seth B. Kaufman Senior Counsel

Christina Lee Visual Communications Specialist

> David P. Pouliott Program Director

Petra Swartlander Senior Statistician

Stuart I. Weibel Senior Auditor

Danietta Williams Senior Analyst

In recognition of exemplary service and commendable achievement in identifying several billion dollars in funds that could be put to better use and program weaknesses in the oversight of funds invested in the Nation's bridges and highways

Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration IRS Criminal Investigation Civil Forfeiture Review Team

Todd Anderson Auditor

Christina Dreyer Director Jeff K. Jones *Lead Auditor*

Matthew Weir Assistant Inspector General for Audit

In recognition of the perseverance of the team through significant legal and logistical challenges which resulted in changes to the IRS's civil forfeiture program that will ensure greater rights for individuals in the IRS's civil forfeiture process

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Audit of VBA's Post-9/11 G.I. Bill Tuition and Fee Payments Team

Katharine Brown Attorney Advisor

Lee Giesbrecht Statistician

Milan Gokaldas Management Analyst

> Gurpreet Kaur Auditor

Janet Mah Director

John Panzullo Auditor Kelly Perry Management Analsyt

> Corina Riba Manager

> Daniel Rico Auditor

Jimmy Sembiring Management Analyst

Michael Tomasello Auditor

Nelvy Viguera Butler Statistician

In recognition of the team's exemplary contribution to account for and recover \$2.3 billion worth of potential improper payments and missed recoupments, ensuring the integrity of VA's Post 9/11 G.I. Bill Program

Audit of Veteran Wait Time Data, Choice Access, and Consult Management in VISN 6 Team

Maria Afamasaga Management Analyst

Kalli Anello Management Analyst

> Stephen Bracci Manager

Nilda Bueno Auditor

Matthew Byrne Management Analyst

Katherine Clay Management Analyst Glenn Dawkins Management Analyst

> Kevin Day Auditor

William Diaz Auditor

Marisa Fantasia Management Analyst

> Michael Fleak Auditor

Lee Giesbrecht Statistician Timothy Halpin Management Analyst

> Barry Johnson Manager

Lance Kramer Auditor

Julie Kroviak Senior Physician

Jennifer Leonard Auditor

Meredith Majerle Management Analyst

> Sonia Melwani Senior Physician

Daniel Morris Manager

Karen Myers Auditor

Ken Myers Director Carla Reid Auditor

Victor Rhee Management Analyst

James Seitz Associate Director

Larry Selzler *Healthcare Inspector*

> Brock Sittinger Auditor

Laura Snow Healthcare Inspector

Laura Tovar Healthcare Inspector

Keila Tugwell-Core Auditor

Nelvy Viguera Butler Statistician

In recognition of the team's remarkable efforts in identifying delays and significant issues in veterans' access to care within Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) 6 and managing this highly visible initiative with stringent timeliness constraints

EVALUATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Defense

Diane H. Stetler Project Manager

In recognition of ingenuity, hard work, and exceptional performance in the development of the CIGIE I&E Peer Review Guide and the development of the CIGIE I&E Peer Review training

DoD Nuclear Enterprise Governance Evaluation Team

David C. Flint *Team Lead* Charles C. Howell Project Manager

Sean Mitchell Deputy Assistant Inspector General

Shayela Hassan Program Analyst

> In recognition of ingenuity, hard work, and exceptional performance during the DoD Nuclear Enterprise Governance evaluation

Defense Intelligence Agency Insider Threat Program Evaluation Team

Dawn R. Allison Inspector

Jeannine M. Juhnke Inspection Supervisor Manager

In recognition of outstanding achievement in reducing risk and improving performance

Federal Housing Finance Agency

David P. Bloch Senior Investigative Counsel

In recognition of outstanding service to the taxpayers in safeguarding their investment in Fannie Mae

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Child Care and Development Fund Team

Margot Adams Social Science Research Analyst (former employee)

> Tara Bernabe Deputy Regional Inspector General

Tyler Daniels Management Analyst (former employee)

> Tanaz Dutia Social Science Research Analyst

Althea Hosein Mathematical Statistician

Maria Johnson Social Science Research Analyst

Mary Kahn Media Relations Specialist (former employee)

> Conswelia McCourt Social Science Research Analyst

> Karolina Pater Social Science Research Analyst

Linda Ragone Regional Inspector General

Jacqualine Reid Social Science Research Analyst

> Marcia Sayer Senior Advisor

Melicia Seay Management Analyst

Amy Sernyak Social Science Research Analyst

> Jessica Swanstrom IT Specialist

Stefanie Vance Social Science Research Analyst

Sherri Weinstein Program Analyst (former employee)

Tesia Williams Director, Media Communications

In recognition of exemplary work to develop an innovative evaluation and a creative outreach approach highlighting program integrity vulnerabilities in the Child Care and Development Fund program

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Address Challenges in Counterterrorism Information Sharing

Todd Anderson Assistant Regional Audit Manager, DOJ OIG Amy Burns Lead Inspector

Tanya D. Manglona *Team Lead*

Charles S. Turpin Inspector Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency

Ryan Cassidy Inspector

Lee Ann Covington Intelligence Oversight Evaluator, IC OIG

> Anthony Crawford Intelligence Officer

John Cummings Intelligence Oversight Evaluator, IC OIG

> Natalie Enclade Independent Referencer

> > Angela Garvin Chief Inspector

Kelly Herberger Communications Analyst

> Marcia Hodges Chief Inspector

Rahne Jones Inspector Mark Krulikowski Intelligence Oversight Team Lead, IC OIG

> James Morrissey Program Analyst, DOJ OIG

> DuWarn Porter Program Analyst, DOJ OIG

> > Rita Reinhardt Auditor, DOJ OIG

Matthew Salaga Inspector

Jorge Sosa Program Manager

Jessica Stoll Analyst-in-Charge, DOJ OIG

Dan Sullivan Assistant IG for Inspections and Evaluations, IC OIG

> Carol Taraszka Regional Audit Manager

In recognition of the joint team's exceptional efforts to identify and address challenges in counterterrorism information sharing among components of the ODNI, DHS, DOJ, and state and local entities

U.S. Department of Justice

Review of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Contraband Interdiction Efforts Team

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In recognition of exceptional performance in the evaluation of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' efforts to prevent the introduction of dangerous contraband into federal prisons

Review of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Reimbursement Rates for Outside Medical Care Team

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In recognition of the nominees' exemplary work in identifying at least nearly \$100 million that the Federal Bureau of Prisons could save annually in inmate health care by reimbursing for such treatment at the Medicare rate

National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency NGA Globe Storytelling for Inspection Team

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In recognition of excellence in evaluations of the NGA Globe Storytelling function

National Security Agency FISA Amendments Act Special Study Team

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In recognition of the FISA Amendments Act (FAA) special study team's exemplary accomplishments in conducting detailed reviews and testing that assessed NSA's compliance with the FAA Sections 702, 704, and 705(b) targeting and minimization procedures

Peace Corps

Peace Corps/Rwanda Country Program Evaluation Team

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In recognition of the exemplary evaluation of Peace Corps/Rwanda that identified critical improvements needed in the approach to promoting community integration among Volunteers

> Small Business Administration OIG High Risk 7(a) Loan Review Program Team

Brian Allen Program Analyst

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For excellence in identifying improvement opportunities for the oversight of 7(a) loans that will promote efficiency and reduce risk to taxpayers

U.S. Department of State

Inspection of the Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration

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In recognition of extraordinary efforts in the identification of serious data vulnerabilities in the Department's Worldwide Refugee Admissions Processing System

Tennessee Valley Authority TVA OIG Organizational Effectiveness Team

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In recognition of the unique work of the Tennessee Valley Authority OIG's Organizational Effectiveness team and the training team members have provided across the CIGIE community

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Drug Pricing Compliance Team

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> In recognition of exceptional work that led to the recovery of \$19.8 million in overpayments and the withdrawal of a \$10 million claim against the Government from a pharmaceutical manufacturer for a total monetary benefit of \$29.8 million

Review of Claims-Related Documents Pending Destruction at VA Regional Offices Team

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In recognition of outstanding work exposing ineffective controls and shredding policy violations, leading to a bipartisan, bicameral briefing convened to ensure the safeguard of claims-related documents against improper destruction

Review of VBA's Special Monthly Compensation Housebound Benefits Team

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> In recognition of the team's significant contributions to ensuring our nation's veterans receive accurate and timely special monthly compensation housebound benefits

GOVERNMENT ETHICS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Transportation

Richard M. McGrade Senior Special Agent

In recognition of outstanding efforts in the investigation of corruption, selfdealing, and theft at the United States Merchant Marine Academy

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Federal Reserve Board

Evaluation of the Board's Oversight of Cybersecurity Threats to Financial Institutions

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In recognition of significant contributions to strengthen the Board's oversight of cybersecurity threats to the nation's financial institutions

Social Security Administration The mySocial Security Authentication Review Team

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In recognition of their instrumental efforts in compelling the Social Security Administration (SSA) to reevaluate its user authentication process for its mySocial Security portal and strengthen controls over access to the Agency's online systems

INVESTIGATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Agency for International Development USAID OIG Afghanistan Investigation Team

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In recognition of extreme bravery and dedication to duty to aggressively prevent future U.S. foreign assistance from funding terrorist organizations

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In recognition of exemplary efforts in the use of data analytics to investigate and identify patent examiner time and attendance abuse that identified over \$18 million in potential waste over a 15-month period

U.S. Department of Defense The Southwest Asia Procurement Fraud Investigative Team

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In recognition of tireless effort over ten years to thoroughly investigate and prosecute complex procurement fraud in DoD contracting activities in Southwest Asia

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In recognition of conducting a high quality contract fraud investigation

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In recognition of the exemplary investigative efforts that resulted in a landmark civil judgment and criminal prosecution of the owner and 6 employees of FastTrain College for defrauding the government of more than \$4.1 million in Federal student aid

U.S. Department of Energy Hanford Nuclear Waste Treatment Plant Product Substitution Fraud Team

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In recognition of the extraordinary perseverance exhibited by this team to resolve false statements and claims made by one of the Department's largest contractors that jeopardized critical nuclear infrastructure at the Hanford Waste Treatment Plant

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In recognition of uncovering a multi-million dollar fraud scheme at First State Bank of Altus

Federal Housing Finance Agency Investigation of Cay Clubs Condominium

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In recognition for your outstanding efforts and pursuit of a complex fraud/Ponzi scheme case resulting in the prosecution of four Cay Clubs executives who defrauded financial institutions, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and investors, in excess of \$300 million

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Life Care Centers of America Investigative Team

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In recognition of hard work and dedication that resulted in a \$145 million settlement agreement with Life Care Centers of America that protected patients from abuse and neglect in nursing home settings

> U.S. Department of Homeland Security FEMA Grant Applications - New Orleans Resident Office

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> In recognition of exceptional investigative achievements by uncovering and halting an individual intent on defrauding the United States for personal gain by filing fraudulent FEMA grant applications

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In recognition of the team's outstanding efforts and contributions related to the successful multi-agency criminal investigation and prosecution of multiple defendants in the Steven Hameed et al. criminal case

Intelligence Community Department of Energy/Intelligence Community

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SA Hafer, Investigator Guska, and ASAC Burris distinguished themselves in pursuing a major fraud case involving cutting-edge complex scientific concepts. Their efforts directly protect U.S. investment in quantum computing critical to national security

U.S. Department of Justice United States vs. David Bernier

David Berry Special Agent

Amber T. Howell Senior Special Agent

In recognition of the successful investigation and prosecution of a retired U.S. Air Force officer for submitting multiple forged and altered documents to a DOJ-administered program in an attempt to obtain over \$700,000 in funds

U.S. Department of Labor

United States vs. Larry Washington et al./Mind Spa Investigation and Prosecution Team

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In recognition of outstanding collaborative efforts leading to 28 convictions and 6 debarments in a \$10 million health care fraud scheme for fraudulently billing the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

National Science Foundation Investigation and Prosecution Team (Zhao/Agiltron)

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In recognition of the outstanding commitment, dedication, initiative, and teamwork demonstrated in the successful investigation of Jing Zhao and Agiltron, Inc.

U.S. Postal Service St. Louis Network Distribution Center Narcotics Investigation

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In recognition of the efforts of USPS OIG Investigators, an Assistant U.S. Attorney, and a Missouri State Trooper who responded to allegations of narcotics trafficking and theft of mail at a U.S. postal facility by current and former employees

> Social Security Administration Dr. Fernando Mendez-Villamil Investigative Team

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In recognition for their work in an investigation which revealed falsified medical records for more than 3,000 disability claims with the Social Security Administration, of which more than 1,700 were approved and benefits paid

Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction Fuel Theft Investigation Team

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In recognition of exemplary team performance by 21 special agents, investigators, and attorneys who investigated theft of 700,000 gallons of fuel in Afghanistan, resulting in over \$5 million of court-ordered restitution and civil monetary settlement

Tennessee Valley Authority Relocation Fraud Investigation Team

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In recognition of the Relocation Fraud Investigative Team's exceptional efforts in investigating subcontractor fraud, resulting in a Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 287, Criminal False Claims conviction and \$116,493.70 in restitution

U.S. Department of the Treasury

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In recognition of exemplary investigative passion and tenacity leading to the conviction of an identity thief who conducted multiple email scams in order to receive illegal Treasury checks

U.S. Department of Transportation Pacific Gas and Electric Prosecution Team

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In recognition of outstanding investigative achievement in protecting the integrity of Department of Transportation programs and operations

LAW AND LEGISLATION AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Social Security Administration

Ranju Shrestha Attorney

In recognition of her long-sustained, multi-faceted contributions to the development, analysis, refinement, and implementation of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (BBA) Pub L. 114–74, achieving highly leveraged impact on the OIG community

MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Defense Operation Inherent Resolve and Operation Freedom's Sentinel Inspectors General Comprehensive Site Visit Support Team

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In recognition of distinguished achievement in planning and supporting the first comprehensive site visit of Inspectors General to Afghanistan, Iraq, and Jordan in support of the Lead Inspector General oversight mission

U.S. Department of Education

Misuse of FSA ID and Personal Authentication Service Management Information Report Team

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In recognition of the team's exceptional work in protecting students and preventing fraud by proactively identifying and reporting deficiencies within the FSA Identification and Personal Authentication Service systems

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In recognition of outstanding work on a complex False Claims Act case that resulted in a \$45 million recovery for the United States

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development CIGIE's Cross-Cutting Initiative - Disaster Relief Appropriations Act Team

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In recognition of your outstanding joint work on CIGIE's Cross-Cutting Initiative – Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013

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In recognition of joint efforts that identified \$2.23 billion in unreasonable and unnecessary claims against the FHA insurance fund

U.S. Department of Labor Job Corps Center Safety and Security Joint Review Team

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> > Joel Parisi Special Agent

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In recognition of the team's exemplary work in identifying significant deficiencies with Job Corps center responses to serious criminal misconduct, center physical security, and Job Corps' efforts to mitigate violence and other serious crimes

Peace Corps

The Peace Corps Sexual Assault Risk Reduction and Response Program Evaluation Team

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In recognition of the multidisciplinary team's excellence in identifying needed improvements to the Peace Corps sexual assault risk reduction and response program

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Evaluation of the Veterans Health Administration Veterans Crisis Line Team

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In recognition of exceptional work to identify critical shortcomings of the Veterans Crisis Line (VCL) and spur corrective actions and legislation to improve VCL services for suicidal veterans

Review of Alleged Consult Mismanagement at the Phoenix VA Health Care System Team

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In recognition of the team's outstanding achievements in identifying significant issues affecting veterans' access to care at the Phoenix VA Health Care System

SPECIAL ACT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Agency for International Development Leadership Team of USAID OIG Investigation of Global Health Supply Chain

Marvin Burgos Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge Jonathan Schofield Special Agent-in-Charge

In recognition of superior leadership of multiple complicated and significant investigations



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Federal Housing Finance Agency

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Investigations Awards for Excellence

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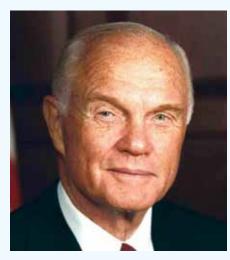
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In Memory of Senator John Glenn

Since CIGIE's last annual awards ceremony, Senator John Glenn passed away. In honor of his memory and his support for the Federal Inspectors General, CIGIE would like to share with the IG community the below edited letter from CIGIE Chair Michael E. Horowitz and Vice Chair Allison C. Lerner, which was sent upon Senator Glenn's passing to the John Glenn College of Public Affairs at the Ohio State University on behalf of CIGIE's members.

John Glenn will forever be heralded as a true American patriot who served his country over a lifetime with the utmost pride and distinction. To the Federal Inspector General community, he will best be remembered for his work in Congress that helped to lay the foundation for today's robust Inspector General system. His support, advocacy, and emphasis on accountability and good governance over the past five decades revealed him to be a true ally to Inspectors General. On behalf of the 73 Inspector General members of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, we wish to submit this letter of appreciation in remembrance of Senator Glenn.

As a Senator, John Glenn believed firmly that government could become more efficient. During his first of four terms, he turned this belief into action when he played a crucial role in the passage of the Inspector General Act of 1978. This Act created the framework of the

current Inspector General system and established Inspectors General in 12 Federal agencies. Ten years later, Senator Glenn went one step further and sponsored the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, which, among other things, expanded Inspectors General to even more agencies. As a result of these two laws, Federal Inspectors General have been able to save taxpayers billions of dollars every year and secure thousands of prosecutions against those individuals who have defrauded the government.

In the years that followed passage of these two Acts, Senator Glenn remained a staunch proponent of better governance when he brought about other legislation of particular interest to the Inspectors General. He was one of the original cosponsors for the Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989 and the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993. Both laws aimed to reduce waste in Federal government programs and increase accountability. With these shared ideals, John Glenn stood decisively with the Inspectors General.

His subsequent actions in the Senate are a further testament to his support for the Inspectors General. For a Senate hearing on the twentieth anniversary of the Inspector General Act of 1978 and the roles of the Inspectors General, Senator Glenn submitted a prepared statement that described the difficulties facing the Inspectors General and their resolve to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse. He highlighted their recent savings for the taxpayer, using his respected voice to draw attention to the achievements of our community of professionals.

In one of his last sponsored legislative acts in the Senate, he befittingly introduced on October 1, 1998, a joint resolution, which later became law, to recognize the accomplishments of the Offices of Inspector General and to commend the workforce for their dedication and professionalism.

Even after retiring from the Senate, John Glenn's support and admiration for the Federal Inspectors General never waned. To commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Inspector General Act of 1978, he graciously appeared in a public service announcement video for the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency, which were predecessors to our current Council. Also in celebration of that anniversary of the Inspector General Act of 1978, Senator Glenn wrote an article for the fall/winter 2003 edition of the *Journal of Public Inquiry* in which he offered his personal insights and efforts into passing that vital legislation. In both instances, his sincere reverence for the Inspectors General was clear.

On the legislative front, Senator Glenn was active as recently as July 2015 when he wrote an influential letter to senior members of Congress involved in drafting the Inspector General Empowerment Act. He urged them to take action on issues affecting the Inspectors General, most notably independent access rights to records. The timing of his passing was a poignant reminder of his Inspector General legacy: Congress approved the Inspector General Empowerment Act of 2016 two days after Senator Glenn passed, and the President signed that Act into law eight days after America lost one of its greatest icons.

The Inspectors General are very grateful for the many ways that Senator Glenn championed our profession and our work. In 2003, the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency created a new award, the Glenn/ Roth Award for Exemplary Service, to honor Senators John Glenn and William Roth for their bipartisan support for better governance. This award, one of the most prestigious in our community, recognizes an individual or team whose work and behavior demonstrates outstanding achievements in furthering relations between his or her department or agency (or the Inspector General community) and Congress. It continues to be presented at our annual awards ceremony.

On more than one occasion, Senator Glenn expressed his pride for the work he did in passing Inspector General legislation. The Inspectors General are equally proud to have had his support over the years. We are truly fortunate to have had him as one of our closest allies in Congress.

We will strive to honor his work and memory by continuing to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse with the same tenacity and dedication that he exemplified over his lifetime of public service.

