October 19th 2017

20th Annual Awards Ceremony
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
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 Glymco, 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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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
Hotline Analyst

Star Blondell
Deputy Director

Sheila Brown
Deputy Director

Tyrone Burrell
Hotline Analyst

Marci Davis
Hotline Analyst

Sheyla Desir
Hotline Analyst

Cheryl Edwards
Director

Latreala Exum
Hotline Analyst

Alison Faulk
Hotline Analyst

Takisha Gamble
Hotline Analyst

Scotty Hall
Hotline Analyst

Sandra Khan
Hotline Analyst

Ruth Miller
Hotline Analyst

Charles Pomerat
Hotline Analyst

David Roberts
Hotline Analyst

Simone Saunches
Hotline Analyst

Tonya Shorts
Hotline Analyst

Dorcas Smith
Hotline Analyst

Cynthia Watson
Hotline Analyst

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

Jason Beard
Auditor-in-Charge

Greg Benda
Senior Auditor

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

Rodney DeSmet
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

Holly Greene
Auditor

Bryan Gulick
Auditor

Kevin Gunnells
Assistant Director
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

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

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

J. J. Marzullo
Senior Audit Manager

Andrew Mollohan
Auditor

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