



COUNCIL OF THE INSPECTORS GENERAL ON INTEGRITY AND EFFICIENCY

Council Elects New Chairperson



The Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) announces that its newly elected Chairperson is the Honorable Mark Lee Greenblatt, Inspector General (IG) for the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI). Mr. Greenblatt was elected Chairperson on December 9, 2022, in a vote by the CIGIE membership. He will begin his two-year term on January 1, 2023, replacing Ms. Allison C. Lerner, IG for the National Science Foundation, who has served as Chairperson since 2021. Mr. Greenblatt brings a wealth of experience to CIGIE, having served as its Vice Chairperson since 2021 and previously as the CIGIE Executive Director.

Mr. Greenblatt began his tenure as the DOI IG on August 26, 2019, after being confirmed by the U.S. Senate. As the head of the DOI Office of Inspector General (OIG), Mr. Greenblatt leads a nationwide workforce of investigators, auditors, evaluators, attorneys, and support staff. Their mission is to provide independent oversight and promote excellence, integrity, and accountability within the programs, operations, and management of the DOI. As the IG, Mr. Greenblatt is the senior official responsible for providing oversight of more than 70,000 Department employees and assessing the Department's diverse programs and operations, which include approximately \$10 billion in grants and contracts, \$12 billion in natural resource royalties, 30% of the nation's energy resources, federal trust responsibilities to more than 570 Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages, and stewardship of 20% of the nation's lands.

Mr. Greenblatt has been in the federal oversight community since 2003 as part of both the legislative and executive branches. Immediately before becoming the DOI IG, he served as the Executive Director of CIGIE. He previously served in leadership roles at the U.S. Department of Commerce OIG and the U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. Mr. Greenblatt also served as an investigative counsel at the U.S. Department of Justice OIG. Over the course of his federal career, he has received several awards, including a CIGIE award for excellence, U.S. Department of Commerce gold medal and bronze medals, and a U.S. Department of Justice OIG distinguished service award. He is also a published author.

Mr. Greenblatt graduated from Columbia University School of Law, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, and earned his undergraduate degree from Duke University.

"I am honored to be elected Chairperson to build on the excellent work of my predecessor, Allison Lerner," said Inspector General Greenblatt. "CIGIE is a unique community within the federal government— one that is apolitical and focused on conducting objective, independent oversight on behalf of the American people. I look forward to working with my fellow IGs to ensure that CIGIE is efficiently and effectively supporting its members' vital missions. I am also eager to continue our productive engagement with CIGIE's external stakeholders."