Mary Mitchelson

Inspector General

Corporation for Public Broadcasting

Mary Mitchelson was appointed as the Inspector General of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting in June 2013. In that role, she is responsible for promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness, as well as preventing fraud, waste, and abuse in CPB initiatives and operations. Since January 2016, she has also served as the Chair of the Audit Committee of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, the statutory organization made up of the 73 IGs appointed pursuant to the Inspector General Act of 1978.

Prior to becoming the CPB IG, Ms. Mitchelson was the Deputy IG of the U.S. Department of Education. Having worked as an executive in the federal IG community since 2000, she has extensive experience overseeing financial and program audits and inspections, criminal and administrative investigations, and legal issues arising from IG activities.

Ms. Mitchelson also has significant legal experience. She was Counsel to the Education IG, Deputy General Counsel of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Deputy Director in the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, a law clerk on the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, and Assistant Dean of Georgetown University Law Center. She earned her JD at Georgetown and her BA from the University of Kansas.