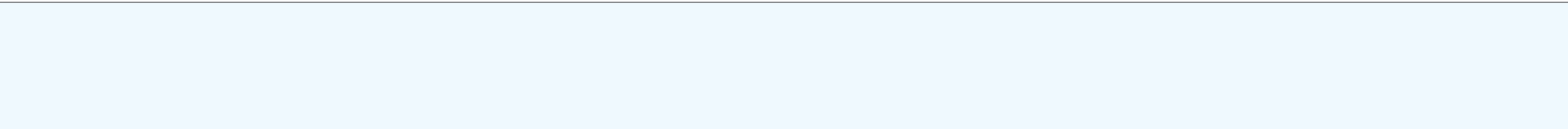




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*Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration*

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## NASA ADMINISTRATOR JIM BRIDENSTINE

James Frederick "Jim" Bridenstine was nominated by President Donald Trump, confirmed by the U.S. Senate, and sworn in as NASA's 13th Administrator on April 23, 2018.

Bridenstine was elected in 2012 to represent Oklahoma's First Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives, where he served on the Armed Services Committee and the Science, Space and Technology Committee.

Bridenstine's career in federal service began in the U.S. Navy, flying the E-2C Hawkeye off the USS *Abraham Lincoln* aircraft carrier. It was there that he flew combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan and accrued most of his 1,900 flight hours and 333 carrier-arrested landings. He later moved to the F-18 Hornet and flew at the Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center, the parent command to TOPGUN.

After transitioning from active duty to the U.S. Navy Reserve, Bridenstine returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma, to be the Executive Director of the Tulsa Air and Space Museum & Planetarium.

Bridenstine completed a triple major at Rice University, and earned his MBA at Cornell University. He has three children with his wife, Michelle.



Michael E. Horowitz  
*Chair*



Allison C. Lerner  
*Vice Chair*

Welcome to the 22nd annual awards ceremony of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. This is a special day for our award winners and their families, and an extraordinary day for our community. Extraordinary, because we gather today as one—not 73—in order to celebrate the remarkable achievements of all. These achievements over the past year serve to promote accountability within the individual agencies we oversee and increase public trust in the institution of government as a whole.

Together, we are a 13,000-strong team of government oversight professionals. Together, we perform, each year, thousands of audits, investigations, inspections, evaluations, and reviews which help ensure efficiency in government operations and the realization of billions of dollars in savings. The collective impact of that work, visible at a glance on Oversight.gov, is breathtaking.

Each report publicly posted on Oversight.gov is a powerful reminder of why we are here and the tremendous value we bring to the table. Of those reports, a significant number was deemed consequential enough in their own right to merit an award nomination, fully and vigorously supported by leadership. A very few, truly the best of the best in a year of very stiff competition, reflected work so powerful, that it serves as an exemplar to all and is deserving of an award.

Congratulations to each of you for your remarkable achievements. You are outstanding representatives of the entire IG community and demonstrate through your commitment to public service, professionalism, and an exceptional quality of work. What a strong and dedicated staff we have in our 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 dedication to our mission 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 Tebran, 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.*

# *In Memoriam*

**Paola Merino**

February 18, 1971–August 16, 2019





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## Special Category Awards

## ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD

### U.S. Department of Justice Pre-Election Review Team

James Klonoski  
*Attorney*

Jennifer Maceda  
*Investigative Counsel*

Maura K. Lee  
*Investigative Counsel*

Joshua D. Mahan  
*Investigative Counsel*

Daniel C. Beckhard  
*Assistant Inspector General*

Julie K. McConnell  
*Investigative Counsel*

Keith A. Bonanno  
*Special Agent in Charge*

Sharon Mitrothanas  
*Transcription Specialist*

Abel Gomez  
*Investigative Counsel*

Somvilay Phomsopha  
*Information Technology Specialist*

Katherine A. Hazemey  
*Program Analyst*

Karen A. Rich  
*Investigative Counsel*

Jason R. Higley  
*Senior Special Agent*

Jennifer Salemi  
*Paralegal Specialist*

Jeremy Hunt  
*Senior Special Agent*

Michelle Skarp  
*Program Analyst*

Bradley S. Leonard  
*Lead Information Technology Specialist*

Alicia Vazquez  
*Senior Special Agent*

Harry A. Lidsky  
*Assistant Special Agent in Charge*

Nathan M. Wiery  
*Information Technology Specialist*

Stephen F. Lyons  
*Senior Special Agent*

Briana N. Woodard  
*Investigative Specialist*

*In recognition of outstanding achievements in improving the integrity of the  
Department of Justice through its comprehensive review examining various actions by  
the Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in advance of the 2016 election*

## GASTON L. GIANNI, JR. BETTER GOVERNMENT AWARD

### U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Montana Dr. Stanley Patrick Weber Investigation Team and  
the United States (U.S.) vs. Levian Pacheco Team

Anissa Andrews  
*Assistant Special Agent in Charge*

Keri Leggett  
*Victim/Witness Specialist*

Fred Bennett  
*Bureau of Indian Affairs*

Henry Luna  
*Special Agent*

Robert Braun  
*Special Agent*

Curt Muller  
*Special Agent in Charge*

Jaime Burkhalter  
*Legal Assistant*

Mike Oberlin  
*Criminal Investigator*

Matthew Charette  
*Special Agent in Charge*

Jose Pena  
*Detective, City of Mesa Police Dept*

Justin Christman  
*Criminal Investigator*

Alexander Perez  
*Forensic Computer Examiner*

Tammy Farris  
*Paralegal*

Justin Reedy  
*Criminal Investigator*

Lowell Floyd Jr  
*Forensic Computer Examiner*

Dimitra Sampson  
*USAO*

Derrick Franklin  
*Special Agent in Charge*

Jennifer Spaulding  
*Special Agent*

Frank Goings  
*Blackfeet Law Enforcement Services*

Jeffrey K. Starnes  
*USAO*

Lauren Hanover  
*Special Agent*

Lori H. Suek  
*USAO*

Daniel Hoy  
*Investigative Analyst*

Tracy Van Buskirk  
*USAO*

Il Jeon  
*Assistant Special Agent in Charge*

Charlie Wolf Tail  
*Blackfeet Law Enforcement Services*

Erica Lane  
*USAO*

Sarah Wolf Tail  
*Blackfeet Tribal Homeland Security*

*In recognition of HHS OIG's efforts to keep children safe by investigating and prosecuting two perpetrators of child sexual abuse who preyed upon children in HHS-funded programs*

**Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration**  
Operation Outsource

Dylan S. Critten  
*Special Agent*

Alan P. Keene  
*Special Agent*

Kristofer R. Healey  
*Special Agent*

Dave A. Ramirez  
*Special Agent*

*In recognition of the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration, the U.S.  
Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General, and Homeland Security  
Investigations for their efforts in combatting impersonation-related fraud schemes*

**GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE**

**U.S. Department of Education**

**Federal Student Aid Student Loan Servicer Oversight Audit Team**

William Bennett  
*Referencer*

Jeffrey Nekrasz  
*Director, Student Financial Assistance Advisory  
and Assistance Team*

Gregory Bernert  
*Auditor*

Kristin Reinhard  
*Management and Program Analyst*

Brian Fern  
*Auditor*

Lisa Robinson  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit*

Nathan Gan  
*Auditor*

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*Auditor-in-Charge*

Jillisa Hope Milner  
*Managing Editor*

Howard Sorensen  
*Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General*

Robert Janney  
*Auditor, Student Financial Assistance Advisory  
and Assistance Team*

April White  
*Auditor*

Darryl Meador  
*Referencer*

Gary Whitman  
*Regional Inspector General for Audit*

*In recognition of exemplary efforts that improved oversight of service providers to better  
protect taxpayers, students, and led to Congress mandating the immediate execution of  
recommendations to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of FSA programs*



## **SENTNER AWARD FOR DEDICATION AND COURAGE**

### **U.S. Department of State**

The Baghdad, Iraq Protective Movement Security Service Audit Team

Shanelle Jones  
*Management Analyst*

Mark Peterson  
*Audit Manager*

Kelly Moon  
*Senior Management Analyst*

Marilyn Reyes  
*Statistician*

Patricia Papas  
*Associate General Counsel*

*In recognition of uncommon selflessness, dedication to duty, courage, and exemplary oversight of a critical contract providing security for U.S. personnel in Iraq and identification of more than \$4.6 million in monetary benefits*

## **JUNE GIBBS BROWN CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

### **Agency for International Development**

Jonathan Schofield  
*Special Agent in Charge*

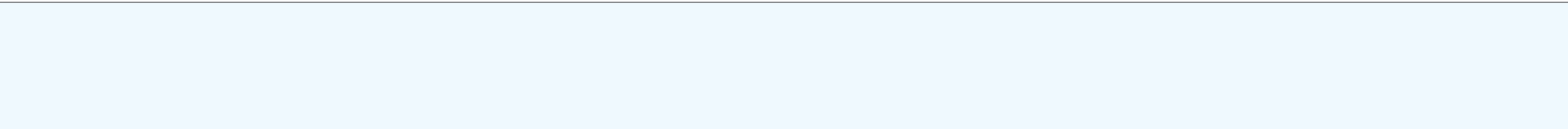
*In recognition of a lifetime of unwavering dedication and investigative excellence in the Federal oversight and accountability community*

## **AWARD FOR INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT**

### **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**

Ross W. Weiland  
*Assistant Inspector General for Management and Planning*

*In recognition of exemplary performance at NASA OIG and remarkable collaboration in forming and serving as the first Chair of the Assistant Inspectors General for Management Committee*





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**Barry R. Snyder**  
**Joint Award**

**U.S. Department of Justice**

2018 revisions of the GAO/CIGIE Financial Audit Manual Team

Debra E. Alford  
*Technical Specialist*

Mark C. Jenson  
*Director*

Bobbie Bartz  
*Assistant Director*

Todd K. Jones  
*Audit Manager*

Thomas Chin  
*Audit Manager*

J. Greg Spencer  
*Director*

*In recognition of outstanding contributions to the federal audit community by collaborating to revise and update the GAO/CIGIE Financial Audit Manual to ensure that it reflects current auditing standards for federal entities*



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## Awards for Excellence

## ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### U.S. Department of Defense DoD OIG Hiring Surge Team

George Abbey Jr  
*Administrative Officer*

Amy Goodman  
*IT Specialist*

James Ale  
*Telecommunications Specialist*

Grady Goodman  
*Supervisory IT Specialist*

Carolyn Bledsoe  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Marion Green  
*Inventory Management Specialist*

Jeanette Boler  
*Supervisory Human Resources Specialist*

Paul Hackett  
*IT Specialist*

Tammy Brown  
*Supervisory Human Resource Specialist*

Carly Hall  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Betty Carreiro  
*Human Resource Specialist*

Jeffery Hall  
*Supervisory IT Specialist*

Warren Champ  
*Management Analyst*

Tracy Hall  
*Facilities, Space, and Safety Management Specialist*

Eric Cherry  
*Information Security Specialist*

AJ Harris  
*Inventory Management Specialist*

Kimberly Clark  
*Administrative Officer*

Edmund Johnson, JR  
*Facilities and Space Management Specialist*

Gregory Collins  
*Personnel Security Specialist*

James Jones  
*Management and Program Analyst*

Mauricio Covarrubias  
*Inventory Management Specialist*

Rhonda Lee  
*Human Resource Specialist*

Melinda Craven  
*Management and Program Analyst*

Michael Lucas  
*Inventory Management Specialist*

Sean Davis  
*Supervisory Auditor*

John Macapinlac  
*Human Resources Assistant*

Julie Denmark  
*Management and Program Analyst*

Megan McAveney  
*Human Resources Assistant*

Lisa Dunnuck  
*Management and Program Analyst*

Robert McCrory, Jr  
*Human Resource Specialist*

Khrehann Ebah  
*Security Specialist*

Barry McFadden  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Joseph Gless  
*Inventory Management Specialist*

Andrew Miller  
*Management Analyst*

Cathy Mitchell  
*Auditor*

Megan Smith  
*Support Services Supervisor*

Irma Morales Santiago  
*Human Resources Assistant*

Donna Taper  
*Human Resources Specialist*

David Morrow II  
*Process Improvement Specialist*

Jacquis Taylor  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Shirley Moultrie  
*Telecommunications Specialist*

Alicia Turrentine  
*IT Specialist*

Sandra Ortiz  
*Inventory Management Specialist*

Kay Twyman  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Joseph Panteloglous  
*Supervisory Human Resources Specialist*

Scott Vakerics  
*Inventory Management Specialist*

Terry Peck  
*IT Specialist*

Paulette Waiters  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Ramona Preston  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Ivor Watson  
*Management and Program Analyst*

Donald Purinton  
*Facilities and Space Management Specialist*

Nicole White  
*Investigative Support Specialist*

Willie Reid  
*Program Analyst*

Kimberly Williams  
*Human Resources Specialist*

Yosry Riad  
*Facilities and Space Management Specialist*

Edward Wooten  
*IT Specialist*

Muslimah Shabazz  
*Human Resources Assistant*

*In recognition of ingenuity, hard work, and exceptional performance in achieving the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General's most productive hiring year since FY 2005*

## AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### Agency for International Development

#### USAID OIG Public International Organization (PIO) Oversight Audit Team

James Charlifue  
*Audit Director*

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*Writer-Editor*

Nicola Harrison  
*Assistant Counsel*

Steven Ramonas  
*Auditor*

Rob Mason  
*Audit Manager*

Dirk Rousseau  
*Analyst*

Jacob Rutz  
*Lead Auditor*

David Thomanek  
*Audit Director*

Karen Sloan  
*Communications Officer*

Sai Ming Tina Wan  
*Audit Manager*

*In recognition of outstanding contributions made to conceptualize, plan, and effectively execute an audit of USAID's funding of large multilateral public international organizations*

## U.S. Department of Agriculture Agroterrorism Preparedness Team

Dorothy Alley  
*Senior Auditor, Office of Audit*

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*Auditor, Office of Audit*

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*Senior Auditor, Office of Audit*

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*Auditor, Office of Audit*

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*Senior Auditor, Office of Audit*

Turon Kendrick  
*Senior Auditor, Office of Audit*

Simon Yao  
*Auditor, Office of Audit*

*In recognition of the team's outstanding efforts performing two detailed audits that recommended significant improvements to USDA's emergency preparedness for agroterrorism prevention, detection, and response*

## Amtrak Amtrak Contract Oversight Audit Team

Jana Brodsky  
*Audit Manager*

Candice Moreno  
*Auditor*

J.J. Marzullo  
*Senior Director*

Elizabeth Sherwood  
*Auditor*

*In recognition of audit work that identified critical changes to Amtrak's contracting oversight process that will save millions of taxpayer dollars annually*



**Amtrak**  
**Drug and Alcohol Audit Team**

Vijay Chheda  
*Senior Director*

Alison O'Neill  
*Communications Analyst*

David Grossman  
*Audit Manager*

Ashish Tendulkar  
*Audit Manager*

*In recognition of audit work identifying critical gaps in Amtrak's process for detecting drug and alcohol use by employees working in safety-sensitive positions through the use of data analytics*

**U.S. Department of Defense**  
**Fort Bliss Hospital Replacement Military Construction Project Audit Team**

Kenneth Bansah  
*General Engineer*

Peter Lootens  
*General Engineer*

Cale Buxton  
*General Engineer*

Erin Peters  
*Project Manager*

Deborah Culp  
*Program Director*

Ka'Toya Price  
*Team Leader*

Wendy Farrell  
*Editor*

Richard Sudder II  
*General Counsel*

Jessica Gomez  
*Team Leader*

Wesley Wright  
*Auditor*

Devonte Jones  
*Auditor*

Amanda Zenner  
*Auditor*

Timothy Lamb  
*Director, Technical Assessment Directorate*

*In recognition of audit team excellence in planning and conducting the statutorily required, "The Fort Bliss Hospital Replacement Military Construction Project," DODIG-2018-125*

**U.S. Strategic Command Facility Construction Project Audit Team**

Jeffrey Chittim  
*General Engineer*

Rachel Herman  
*Senior Auditor*

Deborah Culp  
*Program Director*

George Hurley  
*Senior Auditor*

Nicolena DeSantis  
*Team Leader*

Paul Knoth  
*Associate General Counsel*

Benjamin Padilla-Aviles  
*Auditor*

Jeff Steinbauer  
*Team Leader*

Gwynne Roberts  
*Project Manager*

Kimberly Wheeler  
*Editor*

*In recognition of demonstrated ingenuity and hard work in planning and conducting the  
statutorily required "U.S. Strategic Command Facility Construction Project"*

### Understanding the Results of the DoD Financial Statement Audit

Debra Alford  
*Technical Analyst*

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*Auditor*

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*Auditor*

Krzysztof Jedrzejewski  
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Paul Hadjiyane  
*Acting Deputy General Counsel*

Drew Pullion  
*Project Manager*

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*Auditor*

Lorin Venable  
*Assistant Inspector General*

*In recognition of Understanding the Results of the Audit of the DoD FY 2018 Financial Statements*

### U.S. Department of Education

#### Contractor Personnel Security Clearance Audit Team

Nancy Buckheit  
*Statistician*

Carla McKenzie  
*Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General*

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*Auditor*

Melanie Lake  
*Auditor-in-Charge*

Michele Weaver-Dugan  
*Regional Inspector General for Audit*

Suzanne Lu  
*Computer Assisted Assessment Team Specialist*

Chris Wilson  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit*

*In recognition of outstanding achievement in identifying a critical need for the U.S. Department  
of Education to improve its oversight of the contractor personnel security clearance process*

## FSA Enterprise Risk Management Audit Team

William Bennett  
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*Referencer*

Jolanta Biskup  
*Referencer*

Jillisa Hope Milner  
*Managing Editor*

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*Auditor, Student Financial Assistance Advisory and Assistance Team*

Russell Jones  
*Auditor*

Annette Kneib  
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*Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General*

Jeffrey Nekrasz

*Director, Student Financial Assistance Advisory and Assistance Team*

Kristin Reinhard

*Management and Program Analyst*

Lisa Robinson,

*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit*

April White

*Auditor-in-Charge*

Gary Whitman

*Regional Inspector General for Audit*

*In recognition of exemplary audit efforts that recommended elements characteristic of effective enterprise risk management that should be implemented to achieve objectives and reduce enterprise-level risks to an acceptable level*

## Environmental Protection Agency Flint, Michigan, Drinking Water Team

Charles A. Brunton  
*Program Analyst*

Kathlene Butler  
*Supervisory Analyst*

Lori A. Ruk  
*Associate Counsel*

Stacey E. Banks  
*Program Analyst*

Allison J. Dutton  
*Lead Program Analyst*

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*Public Affairs Specialist*

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Jayne S. Lilienfeld-Jones  
*Social Scientist*

Joseph T. Roach  
*Lead Program Analyst*

Luke T. Stoltz  
*Auditor*

Danielle M. Tesch  
*Social Scientist*

Khadija E. Walker  
*Lead Program Analyst*

*For outstanding effort and results in reviewing the circumstances of, and the EPA's response to, the contamination in the city of Flint, Michigan's, water system, including the EPA's exercise of its oversight authority*

**Federal Housing Finance Agency**  
**FHFA Network and System External Penetration Test Team**

Jackie Dang  
*IT Audit Director*

Nick Peppers  
*IT Specialist*

Dan Jensen  
*Auditor-in-Charge*

*In recognition of an audit that found more than a third of sampled Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) employees subjected to a mock email phishing attack failed the test, and discovered other vulnerabilities in FHFA's external network perimeter*

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**  
**Medicaid Eligibility Audit Team**

John Beacham  
*Assistant Director for Medicaid*

Yun Kim  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Kathy Carter  
*Senior Auditor*

Christopher Lasrado  
*Senior Auditor*

Marc DeGuzman  
*Senior Auditor*

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*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Eric Feliciano  
*Senior Auditor*

Meagan McGlade  
*Auditor*

Samantha Forey  
*Senior Auditor*

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*Associate Counsel*

Erin Fratangelo  
*Lead Program Analyst*

Scott Perry  
*Senior Auditor*

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*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Vicki Robinson  
*Senior Counselor for Policy*

Michael Guarnieri  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Stephanie Taing  
*Senior Auditor*

John Hagg  
*Director of Medicaid Audits*

Brenda Tierney  
*Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Chi-Lan Hoang  
*Auditor*

Howard Unger  
*Writer-Editor*

Ryan Hodkinson  
*Special Agent*

Andrew VanLandingham  
*Senior Counselor for Medicaid Policy*

David Iwamoto  
*Senior Auditor*

*In recognition of audits identifying significant vulnerabilities in and overpayments made because of incorrect eligibility determinations for new Medicaid beneficiaries*

Office of the Secretary Noncompliance with Government Travel Audit Team

Eyana Esters  
*Senior Counsel*

Carla Lewis  
*Director, Grants and Internal Activities*

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*Assistant Inspector General for Audit Services*

Judith Miller  
*Administrative Management Specialist*

Joseph Girardi  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services*

Jeffrey Renshaw  
*Assistant Director*

Brian Hildebrandt  
*Senior Counsel*

Anni Simonait  
*Senior Auditor*

Juliet Hodgkins  
*Deputy Chief of Staff*

Jeffrey Stitz  
*Assistant Director*

Kathleen Huycke  
*Writer-Editor*

*In recognition of outstanding and timely efforts to identify wasted Federal funds related to the former Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services' Government travel*

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**  
Accenture Hiring Contract

Michael Brunelle  
*Auditor-in-Charge*

Lindsey Koch  
*Communications Analyst*

Corneliu Buzesan  
*Program Analyst*

Bradley Mosher  
*Audit Manager*

Ayana Henry  
*Program Analyst*

Hope Wright  
*Auditor*

Shelley Howes  
*Director*

*In recognition of the DHS OIG audit team's outstanding achievements in improving the integrity, efficiency, and effectiveness of CBP hiring operations*

Border Patrol Needs a Staffing Model to Better Plan for Hiring More Agents

Corneliu Buzesan  
*Program Analyst*

Kevin Dolloson  
*Communications Analyst*

Christopher Byerly  
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*Program Analyst*

*In recognition of the audit team's exemplary service and commendable effort in auditing the Border Patrol's workforce staffing model, which led to proposed legislation requiring CBP to develop and implement models to enhance workforce effectiveness*

## FEMA Did Not Safeguard Disaster Survivors' Sensitive Personally Identifiable Information Audit Teams

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*In recognition of exceptional efforts, which resulted in Management Alert - FEMA Did Not Safeguard Disaster Survivors' Sensitive Personally Identifiable Information during audits of the FEMA Transitional Sheltering Assistance program and contract*

## U.S. Department of Justice

### FBI's Management of Maritime Terrorism Threats Audit Team

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*Co-Auditor In Charge*

*In recognition of outstanding achievement in conducting an audit of the  
FBI's Management of Maritime Terrorism Threats*

## **U.S. Department of Labor**

### **EBSA Oversight of the Thrift Savings Plan Team**

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*In recognition of exemplary work identifying weaknesses in EBSA's oversight of the  
Thrift Savings Plan, the world's largest retirement plan, and recommending increased  
protections for the half a trillion dollars in assets and five million participants*

## **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**

### **NASA's Management of the Space Launch System Stages Contract**

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*Lead Auditor*

*In recognition of exceptional achievement and outstanding teamwork in its review  
of NASA's Space Launch System (SLS) Stages Contract*

## **National Science Foundation**

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*In recognition of Emma Bright's innovation and drive to improving audit efficiency by developing  
a text mining tool to enhance data mining and oversight of government programs*

### **IPA Grant Audit Monitoring Team**

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*In recognition of enhanced oversight of NSF awardees and throughout government by demonstrating exceptional monitoring of external contractors, pioneering use of data analytics, and committed outreach to stakeholders*

## National Security Agency

Ashlea N. Gramstorff

*Review Regarding the Designation of Individuals to Fill System Security Plan (SSP) Critical Roles*

*In recognition of an NSA OIG auditor's exemplary accomplishments in conducting a detailed analysis of NSA's application of security controls to better protect national security systems*

## Audit of Award Fee Contracts

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*Senior Auditor*

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*Inspector*

Gary L. Oken  
*Senior Auditor*

*In recognition of extraordinary efforts during the audit that questioned \$636 million in award fees associated with 54 contracts*

## Small Business Administration

### Audit Team for SBA's Oversight of 8(a) Continuing Eligibility Processes

Riccardo Buglisi  
*Director, Business Development Programs Group*

Melanie Byrd  
*Analyst*

Kara Burt  
*Analyst*

Jennifer Taylor  
*Senior Writer-Editor*

*In recognition of excellence in identifying significant deficiencies in SBA's oversight of 8(a) continuing eligibility processes, including identifying \$126 million in 8(a) set-aside contract obligations to ineligible firms*

### Audit Team for SBA's Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contracting Program

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*Auditor*

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Riccardo Buglisi  
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*In recognition of excellence in identifying significant deficiencies in SBA's oversight and management of the Women-owned Small Business Federal Contracting Program*



## Smithsonian Institution

Charles Mitchell  
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*For exceptional performance in identifying and developing an enterprising approach that helped management fully recognize the risks facing Smithsonian's information technology systems*

### Smithsonian Institution Background Investigation Team

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*Auditor*

Brian Lowe  
*Supervisory Auditor*

*In recognition of a high quality performance audit that identified significant improvements and cost savings in Smithsonian's background investigation program*

## Social Security Administration

### Accuracy of Social Security Beneficiaries' Initial Month of Entitlement Team

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Wilfred Wong  
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*In recognition of the Accuracy of Social Security Beneficiaries' Initial Month of Entitlement Team's three highly successful audits that identified \$644 million in underpayments to 64,000 beneficiaries*

### SSI Integrity Team

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Christine Hauss  
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Judith Oliveira  
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*Manager*

Frank Salamone  
*Senior Auditor*

*In recognition of using its auditing, analytical, and research skills, as well as technology and knowledge of Social Security's Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program, to identify thousands of recipients who were improperly paid millions of dollars*

### **Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction Afghan Anti-Corruption Strategy Team**

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*Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Inspections*

John Schenk  
*Senior Program Analyst*

Scott Harmon  
*Deputy Assistant Director for Audits and Inspections*

Margaret Tiernan  
*Senior Program Analyst*

*In recognition of excellence in assessing the Afghan government's implementation of its national anti-corruption strategy and ministries' action plans*

### **U.S. Department of State**

#### **The Baghdad Life Support Services Food Cost Controls Audit Team**

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Marilyn Reyes  
*Statistician, Office of Audits*

Patricia Papas  
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*In recognition of exemplary oversight of a critical contract supporting Operation Inherent Resolve in Iraq and identifying more than \$45 million in monetary benefits*

**Tennessee Valley Authority**  
Capital Projects – Post Project Economic Assessment Review Team

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*Auditor, Financial and Operational Audits*

Rick L. Taylor  
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*In recognition of the team's significant achievement in identifying issues related to TVA's management of capital projects*

**Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration**  
Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Team

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*Director*

*In recognition of the outstanding achievement by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Team in evaluating and reporting issues related to the IRS' planning for and implementation of the first major tax reform in more than 30 years*

**TIGTA Office of Audit Review of Impact of Gig Economy on Self-Employment Tax Compliance**

Carl L. Aley  
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Joshua H. Perry  
*Auditor*

Nicole J. DeBernardi  
*Senior Auditor*

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*In recognition of the team's extensive analysis of the gig economy's impact on tax compliance which identified \$524 million in unassessed taxes and demonstrated the need for the IRS to develop an overall tax compliance strategy in this area*

## U.S. Postal Service

### Highway Contract Route Optimization Initiative Savings Calculation Methodology and Accuracy

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*Audit Manager*

Jie Chen  
*Auditor-in-Charge*

Randen Jones  
*Auditor*

Carmen Cook  
*Audit Director*

William Vincent  
*Audit Evaluator*

*In recognition of outstanding achievement in evaluating the U.S. Postal Service's Highway Contract Route Optimization Cost Savings methodology and the accuracy of reported savings for FY 2017*

### Use of the Postal Service Network to Facilitate Illicit Drug Distribution/Opioids Safety Preparedness

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*Audit Director*

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Lucine Willis  
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Lisa Nieman  
*Audit Director*

*In recognition of outstanding achievement in evaluating the Postal Service network's vulnerability to being used for illicit drug distribution and assessing measures the Postal Service has implemented regarding opioid safety preparedness*

## U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

### Bulk Payments Made under Patient-Centered Community Care/Veterans Choice Program Contracts Team

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*Resident Agent in Charge*

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Barbara Wright  
*Attorney-Advisor*

*For contributions in identifying significant overpayments in the Veterans Choice Program  
and helping U.S. Attorneys' Offices in recovering millions of dollars for VA*

### Emergency Cache Program: Ineffective Management Impairs Mission Readiness Team

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*Auditor*

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*Statistician*

Tanya Zapanas  
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*For outstanding efforts in identifying deficiencies with VA's Emergency Cache  
Program and millions of dollars from missing and expired drugs*

### VA's Oversight of State Approving Agency Program Monitoring for Post-9/11 GI Bill Students Team

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Janet Mah  
*Director*

Roy Fredrikson  
*Deputy Counselor to the Inspector General*

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*For exceptional efforts in identifying improper payments related to inadequate oversight  
by VA and State Approving Agencies for veteran education and training*

## EVALUATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### Defense Intelligence Agency DIA OIG Workplace Safety Evaluation Team

Melissa Folz  
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Virna Villalobos-Griggs  
*IG Inspector - Team Lead*

Dana McCauley  
*Project Manager*

*In recognition of evaluation excellence in improving management of OSHEC compliance from a corporate perspective,  
reducing risk from workplace injuries, and increasing visibility into employees located around the world*

### U.S. Department of Defense Evaluations Navy-Congressional Team

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*Sensitive Activities Program Director*

Andrew Hoffman  
*Team Lead*

Anthony Williams  
*Program Analyst*

Dana Johnson  
*Project Manager*

*In recognition of the ingenuity, hard work, and exceptional performance during the Evaluation of  
the Department of the Navy's Response to a Senate Armed Services Committee Report*

### Federal Housing Finance Agency Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac CEO Compensation Evaluations Team

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*Investigative Evaluator*

Adrienne Freeman  
*Investigative Counsel*

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*Deputy Inspector General for Evaluations*

*In recognition of exceptional work in the evaluation of the Federal Housing Finance  
Agency's oversight of CEO compensation at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac*

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**  
**DHS OIG Family Separations Team**

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*Investigative Counsel*

Jonathan Parnes  
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*Lead Inspector*

*In recognition of the report, Initial Observations Regarding Family Separation Issues  
Under the Zero Tolerance Policy, highlighting the significant challenges the Department  
of Homeland Security encountered during the Zero Tolerance Policy*

**ICE Does Not Fully Use Contracting Tools to Hold Detention Facility Contractors Accountable  
for Failing to Meet Performance Standards**

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*Independent Referencer*

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Jason Wahl  
*Senior Inspector*

Tatyana Martell  
*Chief Inspector*

Christopher Zubowicz  
*Assistant Counsel*

*In recognition of the team's exceptional efforts to identify and address challenges in U.S. Immigration and Customs  
Enforcement's ability to hold detention facility contractors accountable for failing to meet detention standards*

## U.S. Department of Justice

### The Gender Equity in the Department's Law Enforcement Components Review Team

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Princess Wasihun  
*Program Analyst*

*In recognition of exemplary work assessing the perceptions of gender equity in the Department of Justice's law enforcement components that resulted in improvements in the Department's recruiting, hiring, mentoring, and promotion practices and EEO program*

## National Aeronautics and Space Administration

### Management of NASA's Heliophysics Mission Portfolio

Adrian Dupree  
*Project Manager*

Sarah McGrath

Abtin Forghani

Raymond Tolomeo  
*Director, Science and Aeronautics Research Directorate*

*In recognition of exceptional performance reviewing NASA's portfolio of 31 missions focused on studying the sun and its effects upon earth's climate, electrical systems, and the solar system*

## National Security Agency

### Special Study of NSA Controls to Comply with Signals Intelligence Retention Requirements

Deborah L. Campbell  
*Senior Auditor*

Curt A. Muffley  
*Senior Auditor*

*In recognition of the exemplary accomplishments by the NSA OIG's SIGINT Retention Requirements evaluation team in assessing NSA's compliance with the requirements for aging of data collected under EO 12333 and the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance*

## U.S. Department of State

### National Passport Center Inspection Team

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Tanya Manglona  
*Senior Inspector, Office of Inspections*

Susan Elliott  
*Team Leader, Office of Inspections*

Derwood Staeben  
*Inspector, Office of Inspections*

*For exemplary performance conducting a targeted review of leadership and management at the National Passport Center that identified significant and systemic deficiencies*



## U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

### Review of Denied Posttraumatic Stress Disorder Claims Related to Military Sexual Trauma Team

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*Benefits Inspector*

Robert Grooms  
*Benefits Inspector*

Megan Wood  
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Jody Hadley  
*Benefits Inspector*

*In recognition of exceptional work in identifying improperly denied veterans' claims related to military sexual trauma*

### Review of Pain Management Services in Veterans Health Administration Facilities Inspection Team

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Amy Valkanos  
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Robert Yang  
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Judy Montano  
*Director*

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Ronald R. Penny  
*Information Technology Specialist*

*In recognition of outstanding efforts to improve VA's patient care and safety through  
a review of pain management and substance abuse treatment*

## GOVERNMENT ETHICS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### Federal Housing Finance Agency

#### Administrative Inquiry into Misconduct by a Former Agency Head Team

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Richard Parker  
*Acting Deputy Inspector General for Investigations*

Angela Choy  
*Assistant Inspector General for Evaluations*

Kyle Roberts  
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Leonard DePasquale  
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Robert Taylor  
*Assistant Inspector General for Audits*

Marla Freedman  
*Deputy Inspector General for Audits*

Laura Wertheimer  
*Inspector General*

David Frost  
*Assistant Inspector General for Compliance and Special Projects*

*In recognition of exemplary work in conducting an inquiry into allegations of  
misconduct by the then-Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency*

## AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### Federal Reserve Board

#### The Board Can Strengthen Information Technology Governance

Morgan Fletcher  
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*Senior OIG Manager for Information Technology*

Nick Gallegos  
*IT Auditor*

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Andrew Gibson  
*OIG Manager, Information Technology Audits*

Jeff Woodward  
*Project Lead*

Rebecca Kenyon  
*Senior IT Auditor*

*In recognition of significant improvements to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System's  
(Board) information security program, privacy program, and accounting and financial reporting*

### Social Security Administration

#### The Internet Social Security Claims System Team

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Carol Johnson  
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Vickie Choy  
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James Klein  
*Director*

Andrew Hanks  
*Senior Analyst*

Mary Ellen Moyer  
*Manager*

Neha Smith  
*Acting Audit Director*

Wilfred Wong  
*Data Specialist*

Jack Trudel  
*Manager*

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*Program Analyst*

*In recognition of compelling the Social Security Administration (SSA) to strengthen its controls to prevent and detect fraudulent benefit claims filed on the Agency's public-facing website*

## AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE INVESTIGATION

### Agency for International Development

#### USAID OIG Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) Team

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Collin Chatterley  
*Investigative Analyst*

Michael Pak  
*Special Agent*

Rebecca Giacalone  
*Special Agent and Team Leader*

Galen Tan  
*Investigative Analyst*

*In recognition of exemplary efforts investigating U.S. foreign assistance to Syrians*

## U.S. Department of Agriculture

### Allegations of Sexual Assault

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Derek Repp  
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*In recognition of exemplary dedication and investigative expediency associated with allegations of sexual assault against female staff members by a GS-15 USDA, ARS Research Chemist*

## Operation Stampede

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*Agent, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office*

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*Special Agent, Office of Investigations*

*In recognition of the coordinated efforts by Federal, State, and local agencies to successfully  
investigate one of the largest SNAP fraud schemes in U.S. history*

## U.S. Department of Defense

### 1ST Class Sleep Diagnostics, Inc. Investigative Team

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*Special Agent – FBI*

Tracy McFadden  
*Special Agent - HHS-OIG*

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*Assistant United States Attorney – Eastern District of Virginia*

*In recognition of outstanding efforts and contributions related to the successful  
multi-agency criminal investigation and prosecution of multiple defendants*

### South Korean Oil Companies Investigative Team

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*In recognition of the investigation of South Korean oil companies for bid-rigging and  
fraud that targeted Department of Defense installations in South Korea*

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*In recognition of exemplary investigative efforts resulting in the prosecution of the former financial aid director of Columbia University Teachers College and four co-conspirators for their roles in a \$2 million fraud scam*

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

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*In recognition of valiant efforts to send a clear message that financial motivations influencing doctors to unnecessarily admit elderly patients to hospitals will not be tolerated*

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*In recognition of the multi-agency investigative team, consisting of the DHS OIG;  
the United States Attorney's Office, SDNY; and the New York City Department of  
Investigation, which resulted in the recovery of \$8,500,000 in Federal funds*

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**  
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*This award is given in recognition of the teams outstanding efforts to ensure decent, safe,  
and sanitary living conditions are being provided by the nation's largest public housing  
authority by uncovering unprecedented levels of fraud, waste, and abuse*

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*In recognition of their exemplary work in uncovering and disrupting a complex fraud  
scheme that obtained millions of dollars in payments from federal inmates and their families  
for falsely promising assistance in obtaining a Rule 35 sentencing reduction*

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*In recognition of exemplary teamwork in the investigation of a national health care fraud scheme, resulting in \$6.5 million in restitution and 300 months of incarceration for defendants who swindled 17,000 victims out of purported health care benefits*

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*In recognition of exceptional efforts in combating fraud in the production and certification of critical aerospace components used in the nation's space and missile defense programs*



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*In recognition of the outstanding commitment, dedication, initiative, and teamwork demonstrated in the successful investigation and prosecution of Bin "Ben" Wen, Peng "Jessica" Zhang, and National Technology Development L.L.C*

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*In recognition of outstanding collaboration between multiple agencies resulting in the successful prosecution of three defendants who engaged in a straw purchaser scheme to fraudulently obtain federally guaranteed loans in excess of \$6.6 million*

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*In recognition of outstanding team performance of multiple law enforcement agencies and  
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resulted in forfeiture of over \$25 million and several debarments for 20 years*

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*In recognition of the Outstanding Investigation of a Failed TARP Financial Institution*

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*In recognition of exemplary investigative efforts and forensic analysis that led to a guilty plea and a 26-year sentence for production of child pornography*

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*In recognition of outstanding collaboration and investigative efforts related to a highly complex investigation implicating 16 postal employees involved in a conspiracy to intercept and deliver narcotics parcels in exchange for cash payments*

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*For exceptional investigative work leading to multiple GI Bill fraud prosecutions and a global review of educational institutes and Programs*

## AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE LAW AND LEGISLATION

### U.S. Department of State

#### Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act Recovery Team

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*In recognition of efforts over the past 3 years that have reinvigorated the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act*

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*In recognition of significant contributions of Mrs. Carol M. Bates in sustaining the missions of the Architect of the Capitol and the Corporation for National and Community Service, Offices of Inspector General*

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Christi Grimm

*Chief of Staff*

*In recognition of Ms. Grimm's outstanding management efforts to revolutionize HHS OIG's work planning process through the creation of the Engagement Committee and living Work Plan*

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*In recognition of extraordinary efforts across the CIGIE community and multiple disciplines to identify the highest risk purchase card transactions and recommend controls over improper purchases*

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*In recognition of the investigation of the Devin Kelley Shooting*

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*In recognition of the exemplary review of GSA's plan for the FBI Headquarters project,  
which provided unbiased insight into the decision-making, cost, and security factors  
behind a multi-billion dollar project in advance of critical funding decisions*

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*In recognition of tireless efforts to protect beneficiaries in their last days of life and  
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*In recognition of your exemplary work in Section 232 Nursing Home Program that led to significant positive change*

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*In recognition of outstanding achievements in improving the integrity of the benefit payment program and the effectiveness of PBGC's data protection practices*

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*In recognition of working with several State Bureaus of Vital Statistics and other available data sources, to obtain death information and use it to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse*

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*In recognition of conducting a highly successful review focused on employee integrity and the enhancement of controls to detect and prevent employee fraud*

**U.S. Department of Transportation**  
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*In recognition of exemplary efforts to strengthen the Department of Transportation's policies and procedures for prompt referrals of potential criminal violations to the Office of Inspector General*

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

**Review of Two Mental Health Patients Who Died by Suicide,  
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*In recognition of work on the role of clinical pharmacists in psychiatric care that led to improved processes and higher quality healthcare*

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