

## Office of Inspector General

### Description/responsibilities

The Office of Inspector General is an independent office within the EPA. The Inspector General Act of 1978 established independent and objective units to be led by an inspector general within each federal agency, in part, to prevent and detect waste, fraud, and abuse related to the programs and operations of the Agency and to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the administration of those programs and operations. To this end, the EPA OIG performs audits, evaluations, and investigations related to the programs and operations of the Agency.

### Logistics

- **Contacts:\***  
**Lynn Carlson, central point of contact – Please reach out for assistance with any topic relating to the Office of Inspector General.** (b) (6)  
  
Sean O'Donnell, Inspector General  
Nicole Murley, Deputy Inspector General  
Erica Kavanagh, Associate Deputy Inspector General
- In addition to headquarters, the OIG has staff in all ten of the EPA regions, as well as at Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, and in Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Staff: 237 Core FTEs, 117 IJJA FTEs

### Offices

- **Office of Audit** – conducts financial and performance audits to determine the efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance of Agency business operations and financial management.

Katherine Trimble, Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)  
Shelly Howes, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)  
Marcus Gullett, Acting Deputy Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)  
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- **Office of Special Review and Evaluation** – conducts reviews and evaluations to assess the design, implementation, and measurement of EPA programs, including evidence of program effectiveness and results; and oversees the Administrative Investigations Division, which operates the OIG Hotline and conducts administrative investigations, including investigations of senior officials.

Paul Bergstrand, Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)  
Erin Barnes-Weaver, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)  
Kristin Kafka, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

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- **Office of Investigations** – conducts criminal and civil investigations into fraud, waste, abuse, and misconduct that undermine the integrity of or public trust in the Agency’s programs and operations or create an imminent risk or danger.

Nic Evans, Acting Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

Garrett Westfall, Acting Deputy Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

- **Office of Strategic Analysis and Results** – encompasses Strategic Planning and Initiatives and Data Analytics directorates.

Adam Seefeldt, Acting Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

- **Office of Mission Support** – provides a broad range of enterprise mission support functions and infrastructure necessary for EPA OIG to complete its mission.

James Nussbaumer, Acting Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

- **Office of Information Technology** – provides the OIG with a wide range of products and services in the areas of software development, network and infrastructure services, technical support, and information security.

Stephanie Wright, Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

James Conrad, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

Maria Martir, Associate Deputy Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

- **Office of Counsel** – consistent with the IG Act, the counsel provides the IG and the rest of the OIG independent legal and policy advice.

William Kirk, Deputy Counsel, (b) (6)

Susan Barvenik, Associate Deputy Counsel, (b) (6)

- **Office of Congressional and Public Affairs** – communicates with Congress, the news media and the general public about the OIG’s work, including responding to inquiries and requests.

Lynn Carlson, Acting Assistant Inspector General, (b) (6)

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