

## Department of Justice

## § 0.29a

(f) Performing such other duties respecting legislative matters as may be assigned by the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General, or the Associate Attorney General.

[Order No. 504-73, 38 FR 6893, Mar. 14, 1973, as amended by Order No. 623-75, 40 FR 42746, Sept. 16, 1975; Order No. 960-81, 46 FR 52343, Oct. 27, 1981; Order No. 1054-84, 49 FR 10118, Mar. 19, 1984. Redesignated by Order No. 1497-91, 56 FR 25629, June 5, 1991]

### Subpart E-3—Office of Public Affairs

#### § 0.28 General functions.

The Office of Public Affairs is headed by a Director of Public Affairs who shall:

(a) Handle matters pertaining to relations with the public generally.

(b) Disseminate information to the press, the radio and television services, the public, members of Congress, officials of Government, schools, colleges, and civic organizations.

(c) Coordinate the relations of the Department of Justice with the news media.

(d) Serve as a central agency for information relating to the work and activities of all agencies of the Department.

(e) Prepare public statements and news releases.

(f) Coordinate Department publications.

(g) Assist the Attorney General and other officials of the Department in preparing for news conferences, interviews and other contacts with the news media.

[Order No. 960-81, 46 FR 52343, Oct. 27, 1981. Redesignated by Order No. 1497-91, 56 FR 25629, June 5, 1991]

### Subpart E-4—Office of the Inspector General

SOURCE: Order No. 2167-98, 63 FR 36847, July 8, 1998, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 0.29 Organization.

(a) The Office of the Inspector General consists of an immediate office, which is composed of the Inspector General, the Deputy Inspector General, and the Office of the General Counsel,

and five major divisions, each headed by an Assistant Inspector General. The five OIG divisions are: Audit; Investigations; Evaluation and Inspections; Oversight and Review; and Management and Planning.

(b) The OIG is headquartered in Washington, DC. Investigations Field Offices and Audit Regional Offices are located in Washington, DC and throughout the United States. For a listing of specific office locations, see the OIG Internet Website at <http://www.usdoj.gov/oig>.

[Order No. 2167-98, 63 FR 36847, July 8, 1998, as amended by Order No. 2835-2006, 71 FR 54413, Sept. 15, 2006]

#### § 0.29a General functions.

(a) The OIG is a statutorily created independent entity within the Department of Justice subject to the general supervision of the Attorney General that conducts and supervises audits, inspections, and investigations relating to the programs and operations of the Department; recommends policies to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness and to prevent and detect fraud and abuse in Departmental programs and operations; and keeps the Attorney General and Congress informed about the problems and deficiencies relating to the administration of the Department and the necessity for and progress of corrective action.

(b) In order to carry out its responsibilities the OIG:

(1) Audits and inspects Department programs and operations as well as non-Department entities contracting with or receiving benefits from the Department;

(2) Investigates allegations of criminal wrongdoing and administrative misconduct on the part of Department employees, as provided in § 0.29c of this subpart;

(3) Investigates allegations that individuals and entities outside of the Department have engaged in activity that adversely affects the Department's programs and operations;

(4) Undertakes sensitive investigations of Department operations and/or personnel, often at the request of senior Department officials or Congress.