



Investigations Committee

# NEWSLETTER

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## A Note from the Chair

Welcome.

With the new year comes a new look for the Investigations Committee, some new faces, and a new focus. Last year's Committee invested much of its energy in training; that hard work is already paying dividends throughout the community, and there is good news to report. Many members of last year's Committee had been participants for a number of years. This year, we have a smaller, more focused membership with new challenges and new priorities. One of these priorities is our liaison activity with the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the FBI, and I am pleased to have Glenn Fine on the Committee. I also want to welcome back Rick Skinner, whose participation will be invaluable as we look at the work of the Homeland Security and Katrina Round Tables, and the IG Community's participation

in each. Brian Miller also joins us, and his work on the Procurement Fraud Task Force promises to be a significant focus of this Committee in the upcoming year. And on the ECIE side, we welcome back Christine Boesz, who chairs the Misconduct In Research Working Group, another priority of the Investigations Committee for 2007. I look forward to working with all of you in the year to come as we reshape the Committee and refocus on the investigative challenges that face the entire IG community.

Patrick P. O'Carroll, Jr.  
Chair, Investigations Committee

## National Procurement Fraud Task Force (NPFTF)

The NPFTF is composed of officials from across the Federal government and from each of the OIGs. The Task Force seeks to increase coordination and strengthen partnerships among all IGs, Federal law enforcement agencies, and DOJ prosecutors to fight procurement fraud more effectively. Some of the types of fraud targeted by the Task Force include: defective pricing; product substitution; misuse of classified and procurement-sensitive information; false claims; grant fraud; labor and product mischarging; accounting fraud; conflict of interest; and public corruption.

The Task Force includes several committees, each chaired by IGs, devoted to procurement issues including:

- Training
- Relations with the Private Sector

- Legislation
- Iraq/International
- Intelligence
- Information Sharing
- Grant Fraud.

During the latest NPFTF meeting on January 25, 2007, the goals and accomplishments of the Task Force were discussed, and each of the committees and select regional working groups gave reports on their progress. The next NPFTF meeting will be in March 2007.

Additional information about the Task Force may be found at:

[www.usdoj.gov/criminal/npftf/](http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/npftf/)

To sign up for Task Force membership, email Sarah Breen at [sarah.breen@gsa.gov](mailto:sarah.breen@gsa.gov)

Upcoming Meeting:  
February 21, 2007  
(10:00 a.m.) at the  
ITC Building (Room  
839) in Washington,  
D.C.



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### Investigator Training Update: Curriculum Review; New Course; and FY 2008 Projections

The Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy (IGCIA) has established a permanent curriculum review committee to periodically review and revise the Academy's basic training programs, specifically the Inspector General Investigator Training Program (IGITP) and the Inspector General Transitional Training Program (IGTTP). This group is expected to provide consistency in the Academy's curriculum review process and will convene for the first time this spring. The members of the IGICIA's permanent curriculum review committee are:

SSA Mike Riddick, USDA/OIG

ASAC Anthony Crook, DOJ/OIG

SA Kevin Dowling, EPA/OIG

SA Veronica Bucci, NRC/OIG

SA Mark Monteviodoni, HHS/OIG

DAIGI Lance Carrington, USPS/OIG

ASAC Patrick Casey, VA/OIG

DAIGI John DuPuy, DOI/OIG

ASAC Lou Caputo, SSA/OIG

SA Dave Tobin, Ed/OIG

SA Joan Dwyer, FDIC/OIG

SA Brian Hess, NSF/OIG

A new 1-week IG In-Service Training Program (IGISTP) has been developed in response to the Academy's needs assessment survey results. This program was designed to satisfy the periodic refresher training requirements specified in the Attorney General's Guidelines

for OIGs with Statutory Law Enforcement Authority and the PCIE/ECIE Quality Standards for Investigations. Instruction in the following topical areas will be included in the IGISTP: legal updates, defensive tactics, arrest techniques, use of force, intermediate weapons and firearms training. The Academy expects to offer this program for the first time in the fourth quarter of FY 2007.

At the December 12, 2006 AIGI meeting, an ad-hoc working group was formed to discuss the IG Academy's business model and strategic plan for future years. Recent efforts by the community have focused on providing training for 2007 and this group's efforts will focus on more global issues for FY 2008 and beyond. Volunteers to this group include Bill Tebbe, AIGI, Railroad Retirement Board/OIG; Bert Vint, AIGI, Office of Personnel Management/OIG; Mark Woods, AIGI, Department of Agriculture/OIG; and John Dupuy, Deputy AIGI, Department of the Interior/OIG. Stephanie Hall and Angela Hrdlicka will also be involved in this working group. The initial kick-off meeting for this group will be in February.

Projection packets soliciting FY 2008 training projections for FLETC and IGICIA programs will soon be sent to all agencies and will have a quick turnaround time. FLETC and the IGICIA require this information in order to develop their respective FY 2008 training calendars and allocations. Seats will not be allocated to agencies which did not submit projections. Agencies without an allocation in a particular training program will only be admitted on a space-available basis.