



Investigations Committee

NEWSLETTER

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Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy Developments

Recent Graduation

Inspector General Investigator Training Program 704 graduated on August 1, 2007. SA Bruce Quintero, DOT OIG, was selected by IG Academy staff and facilitators to win the William R. Barton Award for demonstrating professionalism and integrity throughout the training program. The Academic Honor Certificate winner was SA Rene Olivas, HHS OIG, who received the highest academic score in the training program.

Curriculum Review Conference

The Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy (IGCIA) will be holding a curriculum review conference for the Public Corruption and Integrity Investigations Training Program at the FDIC Seidman Center in Arlington, VA, on September 11 and 12, 2007. This training program is in high demand and has been taught at the IGCIA since the late 1990s. Subject matter experts on public corruption and internal investigations will convene to discuss appropriate revisions to the current curriculum.

IGCIA Training Officer Meeting

The FDIC OIG will host the IGCIA's Training Officer Meeting on October 11 and 12, 2007 at the FDIC Seidman Center in Arlington, VA. This meeting will give the training officers an opportunity to meet and ask questions of the new IGCIA staff. Registration and billing procedures will be discussed and the Permanent Curriculum Review Committee will be on hand to brief the training officers on revisions to the Inspector General Investigator Training Program curriculum.

Request for Nominations for IGCIA Program Manager Detailee

The IGCIA is seeking nominations from

employees of PCIE and ECIE member organizations for a detail opportunity to the position of Program Manager/Instructor, IGCIA, Glynco, GAeorgia. The employing OIG will be reimbursed for the detailee's salary costs from the Academy's revolving fund. This detail assignment represents an excellent opportunity for your agency to make a contribution to the entire OIG community, and the return on your agency's investment will be significant, as this is an extraordinary developmental assignment. Please consider submitting a nomination for this assignment by contacting Executive Director Angela Hrdlicka at 912-267-3801.

IGCIA Facilitators

The IGCIA routinely utilizes facilitators who act as mentors during training programs and assist students in the overall learning process. These individuals are experienced criminal investigators from the OIG community whose agencies have agreed to support the IG Academy's training programs. The experience is beneficial to the facilitator, the students and the IGCIA staff. The Academy would like to recognize the following OIGs for providing facilitators during FY 2007 to support the 3-week IG Investigator Training Program and the 2-week Basic Non-Criminal Investigator Training Program:

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Department of Education
Department of Energy
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
General Services Administration
Health and Human Services
Department of Labor
National Science Foundation
Department of Transportation
Small Business Administration

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Upcoming Meeting:
Sept. 26-27, 2007
(FLETC,
Glynco, GA)



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The Academy funds the facilitators' travel costs. Some agencies use this opportunity as a developmental supervisory assignment. Facilitators should have 7 or more years of criminal investigator experience and at least 5 years in an OIG. If your agency is interested in supporting the IG CIA by providing facilitators, please contact Executive Director Angela Hrdlicka at 912-267-3801 or SA Nancy Kennedy at 912-280-5122.

The IG CIA's FY 2008 training schedule is online at:

www.ignet.gov/igcia/index.htm

September Investigations Committee Meeting at FLETC

The PCIE Investigations Committee meeting will be hosted by the IG CIA at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), Glynco, GA on September 26 and 27, 2007. Committee Chair Patrick P. O'Carroll, Jr. has opened this meeting to the entire PCIE and ECIE membership to afford all an opportunity to see the great strides that have been made in re-establishing the IG CIA. Attendees will be able to see firsthand the value provided by consolidated training and the quality facilities available to OIG personnel who train at FLETC.

OIG – FBI Mutual Notification Update

FBI staff have informed us that they are making great strides on this project. Their software development component is going to utilize a program they currently have in place, with some modifications specifically to suit OIG – FBI information sharing needs, which will be rolled out in three phases over several months. This will allow them to start utilizing digital sharing

more quickly than waiting for an entire system to be put in place to facilitate monthly OIG notifications to a single FBI location. This information could then be made available to the appropriate FBI field offices. Due to the sensitivity of the information to be reported, the FBI will provide restricted access to the OIG information.

Meeting with the Senior Advisor to the Iraqi Inspectors General

On July 23, 2007, Patrick P. O'Carroll, Jr., as Chair of the PCIE Investigations Committee, and John Hartman, Chair, AIGI Committee, met with Dr. Danny Athanasaw, Senior Advisor to the Iraqi Inspectors General during his consultation trip to Washington, D.C. Dr. Athanasaw requested the

meeting to discuss the challenges facing the Iraqi Inspectors General, especially in the areas of training and mentoring. He also explained his role as Senior Advisor and offered to provide any information that would be of interest to the OIG community.

Undercover Review Committee

About 3 years ago, a team of OIG representatives and Department of Justice (DOJ) officials drafted a framework for an Undercover Review Committee, which is required by the Attorney General Guidelines for OIGs with Statutory Law Enforcement, which was submitted to DOJ for approval. The draft plan was resurrected last fall and, at that time, the National

Procurement Fraud Task Force assumed responsibility for getting it moving forward. In April 2007, it was agreed that this was a matter that should be handled by the Investigations Committee. Since that time, John Hartman has assembled the previous documentation prepared for this purpose and is working to move the Undercover Review Committee forward.