

Deborah Jeffrey

Deborah Jeffrey assumed the position of Inspector General on July 19, 2012. Prior to Ms. Jeffrey's selection as Inspector General, she was a partner at Zuckerman Spaeder LLP, where for more than 20 years she has represented clients in civil and criminal investigations and in complex litigation, and has advised lawyers and law firms on matters of professional ethics and risk management.

Before joining Zuckerman Spaeder as an associate in 1989, Ms. Jeffrey worked as an associate at Hogan & Hartson from 1986 to 1989. She began her legal career as a law clerk to the Honorable Harrison L. Winter, former Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. She holds a B.A. in Political Science from Johns Hopkins University and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

Ms. Jeffrey's impressive career has included designing, conducting, and supervising internal investigations for publicly traded companies, major non-governmental organizations, and law firms. She has also represented government officials in criminal, civil, inspector general, and congressional investigations, among others. She currently serves as Vice Chair of the D.C. Court of Appeals Board on Professional Responsibility, which oversees the disciplinary system for attorneys barred in the District of Columbia, including hearing appeals in cases of attorney discipline.