

Stephen B. Street, Jr.
Louisiana Inspector General



On January 4, 2008, Stephen Street became Louisiana's third State Inspector General. The mission of the Louisiana Inspector General is to investigate white collar criminal and public corruption cases, and to root out and prevent fraud and corruption in government.

Mr. Street received his law degree in 1989 from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University. The bulk of his years as a practicing attorney have been spent in the field of criminal law at the state and federal levels, first as a criminal staff lawyer with the Third Circuit Court of Appeal in Lake Charles, and then later both defending and prosecuting serious criminal cases. Mr. Street has extensive experience as lead trial counsel in a wide variety of cases, from capital murder to complex white collar and economic crime.

From 2000 until his appointment as Inspector General, Mr. Street exclusively handled white-collar fraud and public corruption prosecutions as the Section Chief of the Louisiana Attorney General's Insurance Fraud Support Unit. Investigations/prosecutions handled by the unit ranged from basic claims fraud to multi-defendant insurance fraud, money laundering, and conspiracy cases.

Since becoming Inspector General, Mr. Street has overseen the transformation of the office from an internal audit shop into a statutorily empowered law enforcement agency. The office is now focused primarily on criminal fraud and public corruption investigations, with an eye toward securing indictments and convictions. The office works very closely with the United States Attorneys and Federal Bureau of Investigation in all three districts. The Inspector General is staffed with seasoned law enforcement professionals experienced in complex white collar fraud and public corruption investigations. The Louisiana Inspector General also now serves in partnership with the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the Baton Rouge Public Corruption Task Force. Since transitioning to law enforcement, the Inspector General has experienced great success, working numerous criminal cases, both independently and with law enforcement partners. In the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, the office identified 3.2 million dollars in fraud and corruption, nearly double the amount of its state general fund budget.

Mr. Street is a Certified Inspector General (CIG), and regularly conducts training on white collar and economic crime investigation. He continues to serve as an instructor for the National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C), teaching courses on Financial Investigation Practical Skills (FIPS), and Financial Records Examination and Analysis (FREA) offered to law enforcement throughout the United States, as well as an instructor for the National Association of Inspectors General at its Certified Inspector General and Certified Inspector General Investigator Institutes.

Mr. Street also serves as First Vice President of the Association of Inspectors General (AIG), and is a member of the AIG Board of Directors.