

# DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL



From left: Inspector General Julian W. De La Rosa, Secretary of Labor Lynn Martin, FWP Award Recipient Sharon Singh, and FWP Awards Manager Velma Speight.

The Inspector General Act of 1978 established the Office of Inspector General (OIG) in the U.S. Department of Labor and most major departments. OIG is charged with preventing fraud, waste, and abuse as well as promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Department's programs and operations. The Department of Labor's OIG has four components: Office of Investigations, Office of Labor Racketeering, Office of Audit, and Office of Resource Management and Legislative Assessment.

The Office of Investigations (OI) conducts and supervises criminal investigations of allegations which involve the integrity of Department of Labor programs, operations, and employees. Investigations of fraud and abuse are generally criminal in nature and include such areas as contract and grant fraud, workers' compensation fraud, and internal fraud involving Department of Labor employees. OI has seven regional

offices, with its headquarters located in Washington, DC.

The Office of Labor Racketeering (OLR) detects and reduces racketeering activity of traditional and emerging organized criminal groups within employee benefit plans, labor management relations, and internal union affairs. OLR is headquartered in Washington, DC, and has 14 offices nationwide.

From the outset, women have been employed in professional positions at OIG. OIG remains dedicated to fair promotional practices. The following articles and biographical sketches recount some of the achievements of some of the outstanding women employed by OIG.

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## **Sharon Singh Recipient of Federal Women's Program Award**

On March 28, 1991, the Department of Labor recognized

Sharon Singh, Supervisory Special Agent, with a Personal Achievement Award.

Throughout her 10-year tenure at the OIG, Sharon has established a reputation for her strong sense of professionalism, responsibility, and thoroughness. Her achievements at OIG include working for 7 years as a top producing special agent in the Dallas Regional Office prior to her promotion to headquarters, earning a degree in Business Administration from the University of Texas while carrying a full case load, and assuming for a time the position of Acting Regional Inspector General in New York (GM-15). She is recognized for her expertise and knowledge of legal requirements and administrative regulations which she utilized to prepare a Special Agent Handbook.

Sharon has complemented her investigative skills by cultivating an interest in computers, both as an investigative tool and a source of computer crime. She is also a quali-



fied expert in the use of firearms.

Sharon began her federal career as a federal protective officer for the General Services Administration in 1978. She became a special agent in the Department of Labor Office of Investigations in Dallas in 1980. In 1987 she transferred to headquarters as a Branch Director. In 1988 she was selected as the Assistant Director, Special Investigations Analysis and Planning. She has served as a supervisory special agent in headquarters since July 1991.

Sharon is a member of Women in Federal Law Enforcement, the Federal Computer Crime Investigations Committee, and the Association of Federal Investigators. She enjoys traveling and performing as an amateur comedian.

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**Susan Bloodgood  
Recipient Of The Public Service  
Recognition Award And The  
Federal Women's Program Award**

During the May 1991 Honor Awards Ceremony held in New York, Special Agent Susan Bloodgood of the New York Regional Office of Investigations was presented with two awards from Secretary of Labor Lynn Martin. Susan received a Public Service Recognition Award for her contributions in the law enforcement field and the Federal Women's Program Award for Personal Achievement among professional staff. Susan was selected for her outstanding achievement in the field of federal criminal law enforcement, a non-traditional field for women.

Susan came to the Department of Labor, Office of Inspector General (OIG), from the Department of Commerce, OIG, where she started her career as a GS-4 Investigative Trainee. Currently a GS-12 special agent in New York, Susan has been one of the top producing agents for four years, achieving successful criminal prosecutions in the area of program fraud and employee integri-

ty. She has also served as one of our office's Federal Employment Compensation Act fraud experts and has conducted numerous training sessions on the subject for other agency investigators. Susan also serves as a member of the Secretary of Labor's personal security detail.

She received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Despite her chaotic schedule, Susan enjoys married life with her husband, John, and their two maniac cats.

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**Connie S. Logan  
Graduate of Executive Potential  
Program for Mid-level Employees**

In March 1991, Senior Criminal Investigator Connie S. Logan, Dallas Regional Office of Investigations, graduated from the Executive Potential Program for Mid-level Employees. The program is designed for participants who have demonstrated exceptional managerial and executive potential. The program is especially suitable for occupational specialists at the journey level who are transitioning into management as a second profession and who need to complement their technical expertise with professional management skills. Connie successfully completed this demanding 1-year program while carrying a full case load, which included providing assistance to an Assistant United States Attorney and participating in a trial.

During her tenure with the Office of Inspector General, Connie has been an example to others and performed admirably in all assignments. She has served as a Team Leader on complex financial investigations. She continually challenges herself by volunteering for additional duties. As an example, she has served as a member of the Secretary of Labor's personal security detail. She has been recognized as one of the most effective EEO counselors in this

region. In 1991, she was the only representative from the Department of Labor to be selected for the Office of Personnel Management's Executive Potential Program. Her investigative skills, combined with her work ethic and concern for others makes her a very valuable employee.

Ms. Logan began her law enforcement career as a postal inspector in Fort Worth, TX, in 1977. She transferred to the Department of Labor OIG as a special agent in the Office of Investigations in Dallas in 1983. She was promoted to senior special agent in 1987.

Ms. Logan received a Bachelor of Science in education and sociology from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA. Her prior work experience includes teaching, social work, and child abuse investigation. She is a member of Executive Women in Government and enjoys traveling, refinishing furniture, and painting and restoring her 19th century home.

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**Investigative Analyst Helen M.  
Ceglia  
Office of Labor Racketeering**

Helen Ceglia began her federal career as an intelligence analyst for the Department of Justice Organized Crime Strike Force in Brooklyn, NY, in 1975. In 1980 she joined the Department of Labor as an investigator in the New York office of the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration. Since 1985 she has worked as an investigative analyst in the New York field office of the Office of Labor Racketeering, Management Standards.

Ms. Ceglia received a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education and history and a Master of Science degree in special education from Queens College, CUNY. She is a member of the Federal Women's Program (FWP); the Federal Executive Board - FWP Subcommittee; and the Middle Atlantic - Great Lakes Organized



Crime Law Enforcement Network. She is the head volunteer for Hospital Audiences, Inc., a New York City charitable organization which provides services for the needy; serves as an officer of the local PTA; and volunteers as a reading tutor.

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**Jacqueline K. Dagg**  
**Assistant Regional Inspector**  
**General for Investigations**  
**Office of Investigations**  
**San Francisco Regional Office**

Ms. Dagg began her career with the Department of Labor as a compliance officer in the Labor-Management Standards Administration in 1967. She worked there from 1967 to 1970 and again from 1974 to 1978. In 1978 she joined the Office of Investigations and has held positions there as a criminal investigator, team leader, and special agent.

Ms. Dagg received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and History from Heidelberg College, Tiffin, OH. She pursued graduate studies at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences of New York University. She is married with two children; belongs to the Professional Women in Law Enforcement (Bay Area) and the Association of Federal Investigators; and enjoys collecting antiques.

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**Senior Criminal Investigator**  
**Elizabeth C. Downs**  
**Office of Investigations**  
**Washington Regional Office**

Elizabeth Downs began her career in federal law enforcement in 1980 as a postal inspector for the Philadelphia Regional Office of the Postal Inspection Service. She joined the Department of Labor OIG's Office of Investigations as a senior criminal investigator in 1987.

Ms. Downs received a Bachelor of Science degree in Law Enforcement from Northeastern

University, Boston, MA, in 1976. She graduated from the Massachusetts State Police Academy in Framingham, MA, in 1977, and enrolled in a Master of Education program in Public Service and Judicial Systems in 1980.

Ms. Downs has served on the board of directors for numerous social and civic organizations since 1972. She currently serves as a board member of a local single parents support group and a den leader for a local Boy Scout pack. She worked in political campaigns from 1964 to 1980 and has traveled extensively. Her hobbies include reading, sports, sewing, and home repairs.

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**Criminal Investigator Marjorie**  
**Franzman**  
**Office of Labor Racketeering**  
**New York Field Office**

Marjorie Franzman began working for the Department of Labor OIG in the New York office in 1979. In 1980, she transferred to the Labor - Management Standards Administration and then to the Office of Labor Racketeering (OLR).

Ms. Franzman received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Education from the State University of New York at Albany in 1977. She is married and has one child.

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**Special Agent Lorraine Hlavin**  
**Office of Labor Racketeering**  
**Cleveland Field Office**

Lorraine Hlavin began her federal career as a group clerk for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Criminal Investigation Division in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1972. She became a tax fraud investigative aide in 1975 and was promoted to special agent in IRS - CID in 1979. Ms. Hlavin transferred to the Office of Labor Racketeering in Cleveland in 1984.

Ms. Hlavin has taken college

courses in accounting and law enforcement. She is a member of the Federal Criminal Investigators Association and a volunteer with the American Diabetes Association. She enjoys traveling and scuba diving.

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**Senior Criminal Investigator**  
**Cinda Kerr**  
**Office of Investigations**  
**Seattle Field Office**

Cinda Kerr joined the Office of Personnel Management in 1978 as an Administrative Officer. She transferred to the Seattle field office of the Department of Labor Office of Investigations as a criminal investigator in 1980. She has worked in the Seattle field office since that time, earning promotions to senior criminal investigator.

Ms. Kerr attended the University of Washington and enjoys horse-back riding, gardening, and antique shopping.

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**Special Agent Melinda Long**  
**Office of Labor Racketeering**  
**Los Angeles Field Office**

Melinda Long worked as a special agent for the FBI from 1980 to 1987. In 1987 she became pilot-in-command at the FBI. In 1990 she transferred to the Office of Labor Racketeering as a special agent.

Ms. Long received a Bachelor of Arts degree from California State University, Fullerton, and Master of Business Administration from the University of Southern California. She is a member of the USC Alumni Association, the FBI Agents Association, the Society of Former FBI Special Agents, and the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association. She holds a multi-engine pilot's license and an instructor's certification. In her spare time, Ms. Long enjoys photography, skiing, scuba diving, and creating stained glass windows.