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Mr. Scovel is the sixth Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Transportation. He was nominated by President George W. Bush, confirmed by the Senate, and sworn in on October 27, 2006. Mr. Scovel is responsible for leading the efforts of 400-plus staff in support of DOT's priorities of transportation safety and effective program delivery and performance. Recent audit and investigative activities including congressional testimony have addressed the Department's implementation of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act; safety and financing issues in multi-billion dollar highway and transit programs; and the Federal Aviation Administration's oversight of aviation safety and efforts to develop the Next Generation Air Transportation System.

Mr. Scovel joined the Department of Transportation after 29 years of active service in the U.S. Marine Corps, from which he retired as a Brigadier General. His last military assignment was as a senior judge on the U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals. He previously served as Assistant Judge Advocate General of the Navy for Military Justice--the principal advisor to the Secretary of the Navy and the Judge Advocate General--on all criminal justice policy matters. He also commanded a military police battalion, which provided all security and law enforcement services for the Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Virginia.

Mr. Scovel served as senior legal advisor for the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, which included all Marine amphibious forces in Operation Desert Storm and later in a NATO exercise above the Arctic Circle in Norway. A Marine judge advocate, Mr. Scovel served as prosecutor, defense counsel, or judge in 250 courts-martial that included charges of murder, rape, child sexual assault, and drug trafficking.

His personal military awards include the Legion of Merit (four awards) and the Combat Action Ribbon. Mr. Scovel is also the recipient of the Secretary of Transportation's Gold Medal for Outstanding Achievement. This award was for his leadership of the OIG in supporting the Department of Transportation's recovery effort after the 2007 collapse of the I-35 West Bridge in Minneapolis.

Mr. Scovel received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Juris Doctor degree from Duke University. He also received a Masters degree from the Naval War College.