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Mary Kendall is the Deputy Inspector General for the Department of the Interior. She has been with the Office of Inspector General (OIG) since the fall of 1999. She has been leading the OIG for Interior since February 23, 2009 when she was named Acting IG, but in keeping with the Vacancies Act, she has since reverted to her title as Deputy Inspector General.

An attorney by training, Mary has dedicated most of her professional career to federal service. She joined the federal workforce in 1986 as an attorney for the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of General Counsel. In 1990, she transferred to EPA's Office of Criminal Enforcement, where she served in various capacities with increasingly responsible leadership roles. While with EPA's Criminal Enforcement office, she also spent a year detailed as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia.

Mary has played an instrumental role in transforming the Office of Inspector General into an innovative organization dedicated to being the independent, objective broker of choice, providing independent oversight to prevent and detect fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement and promoting excellence, integrity, and accountability within the programs, operations, and management of DOI. The OIG accomplishes its mission by identifying risks and vulnerabilities that directly affect, or could impact, DOI's mission and the vast responsibilities of its bureaus and offices, and by developing solutions for the Department's most serious management and program challenges.