

Michael W. Bowman was selected as the Director of the Information Technology and Security Audits Division, Office of Audits and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General (OIG) in February 2008. As Director, Mr. Bowman supervises the OIG's annual evaluation of the information security program in connection with the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA). Additionally, Mr. Bowman assists other audit groups during the OIG's evaluation of the Department's system development initiatives to determine whether schedule, cost, and performance goals are met.

Mr. Bowman has 25 years of experience auditing and evaluating system implementation projects, both in the Federal government and in private industry. Prior to joining the VA OIG, Mr. Bowman was the Assistant Director for Management Advisory Services at the U.S. House of Representatives OIG, which performs audits of system implementation projects at the House. Mr. Bowman directed office and contractor staff in Washington, DC, and his audit projects included evaluating the House's implementation of a new core financial management system designed to provide members, committees, leadership, and other House officers with one system that simplifies budgeting, requesting, tracking, and managing office expenditures.

Prior to joining the House OIG, Mr. Bowman worked with the Department of Education (ED) OIG. With ED OIG, he directed the annual review of the Department's information security program in accordance with the FISMA and directed reviews of system development life cycle projects. Prior to that, Mr. Bowman participated in the implementation of mission critical systems with the Department of Defense's Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Program. Within private industry, Mr. Bowman performed financial statements audits of publicly held corporations and government organizations while with Grant Thornton and other nationally recognized accounting firms.

Graduating Cum Laude from the University of Colorado (CU) with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1990, Mr. Bowman majored in business administration and accounting. That year, the Colorado Society of Certified Public Accountants selected Mr. Bowman as the outstanding accounting graduate from CU. Mr. Bowman obtained his license as a Certified Public Accountant in 1991 and his certifications as a Certified Information Systems Auditor and Microsoft Certified System Engineer in 2012 and 2000, respectively. He is married with four children and currently resides in Fredericksburg, Virginia.