

James R. Izzard, Jr.
Biography

James Izzard, Jr., Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in August 2020. Mr. Izzard is responsible for executive leadership of specialized investigative and administrative support, subject matter expert consultation, processing and investigating highly-sensitive complaints, planning and execution of enterprise-wide investigative training, and oversight of administrative operations.

Mr. Izzard has 20 years of government experience, including 15 years in criminal investigations. Prior to his appointment to the senior executive service, Mr. Izzard served in various positions at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), OIG, including Assistant Special Agent in Charge and Special Agent in Charge (SAC).

Mr. Izzard began his law enforcement career as a special agent with the District of Columbia, OIG, in 2001. Mr. Izzard subsequently joined the DHS OIG in January 2004, where he conducted fraud, employee corruption, and other criminal misconduct investigations. In 2010, Mr. Izzard was promoted to the position of SAC. In 2017, Mr. Izzard served as the Chief of the Office of Investigations at the DHS, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, where he oversaw the agency's internal investigative mission and strategically managed the investigative infrastructure.

Mr. Izzard has received numerous awards for his investigative work, including several United States Attorney's Office Law Enforcement Public Service Awards and an Inspector General special recognition award.

He is a graduate of the University of Maryland earning a Bachelor of Art degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice with a concentration in Psychology.