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BRENT E. ARRONTE **DEPUTY ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR** **AUDITS AND EVALUATIONS** **US DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**



Brent E. Arronte, a US Army veteran, was appointed the Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Headquarters Operations, in August 2015. He was instrumental in creating the congressionally mandated Office of Inspector General (OIG) Benefits Inspection Program and served as director of several Benefits Inspection Divisions. He develops and leads innovative and comprehensive oversight of the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and the National Cemetery Administration (NCA). VBA alone has had an annual budget of over \$167 billion and provides critical compensation and services to veterans, their families, and caregivers.

Mr. Arronte has extensive experience reviewing mission-critical systems, VBA initiatives and programs, as well as addressing highly sensitive allegations of mismanagement. The field offices he oversees provide independent audits, evaluations, and inspections of VBA's activities to ensure the integrity of its programs and operations. He is responsible for the performance and accountability of a diverse range of VBA programmatic areas, including compensation and pension benefits, fiduciary management, education and vocational rehabilitation, home loan guaranty, and insurance programs. He has been a sworn witness in many congressional hearings and has provided nearly 100 congressional briefings through 2023.

He is a 2023 recipient of the Presidential Rank Award given by the President of the United States to a select few Senior Executive Service (SES) leaders for a sustained record of exceptional professional, technical, or scientific achievement. Mr. Arronte holds a master's degree in public administration from Troy University and a bachelor of science in organizational management from Colorado Christian University. He has also completed several leadership development and certificate programs including the Federal Executive Institute's Leadership for a Democratic Society.