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Biography

Michael P. Leary is currently the Inspector General for the Government Publishing Office (GPO). Prior to this position he served on detail as the Executive for Strategic Planning at the Council of Inspectors General for Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE); as Senior Advisor to the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community and with the Inspections Division of the Central Intelligence Agency's IG Office.

Until his assignment at GPO, Mr. Leary had been a career member of the Senior National Intelligence Service since 2006. He held a number of executive and senior staff intelligence positions for the Director of National Intelligence including assignments at the National Intelligence Council, the Office of the National Counter Intelligence Executive, and the National Counter Proliferation Center.

Prior to joining the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Mr. Leary's positions included senior attorney advisor on intelligence matters at the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE); Senior Advisor at the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Intelligence Analysis; Department of Homeland Security representative to the Terrorist Threat Integration Center (now the National Counter Terrorism Center); and Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement, where he developed counter terrorist financing strategy and policy.

After Law School, Mr. Leary was initially a criminal prosecutor in the city of Philadelphia and then the state of Massachusetts before joining the federal government. He litigated more than 250 jury and bench trials in addition to conducting a number of grand jury investigations.

Mr. Leary is a retired Marine Colonel, having served as an Infantry Officer on both active and reserve duty for 33 years. He served combat tours in both Iraq and Afghanistan and has been awarded the Bronze Star and Legion of Merit.

A native of Philadelphia, PA, Mr. Leary graduated from the University of Notre Dame and the Notre Dame Law School. He is a member of the Pennsylvania and Massachusetts Bars, is a certified mediator for the State of Virginia and is a member of the Federal Shared Neutral program. He has attended numerous executive development and training courses, including Harvard Law School Program for Negotiation, Northwestern Kellogg School of Business, Cornell Executive Education Program and the National Defense University General Officer Capstone course.