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Yvonne Brooks is the Deputy Inspector General for the Baltimore City Office of the Inspector General, where she is responsible for day-to-day operations and administration. Since joining the office in 2018, Yvonne has been instrumental in rebuilding the organization to more effectively and efficiently meet its mission of identifying fraud, waste, and abuse. She has made long-lasting and positive impacts on the office through developing customized internal policies, trainings, and programs, including creating and implementing a new Whistleblower Retaliation policy and training course. Throughout her work, Yvonne weaves emotional intelligence and leadership concepts and emphasizes the importance of communication, which she believes is the cornerstone for a successful, team-oriented organization.

Prior to joining the Baltimore OIG, Yvonne worked as a senior special agent in the Office of Inspector General for the Washington Area Transit Authority, where she investigated allegations of fraud, waste, and abuse in one of the nation's largest public transportation systems. While there, Yvonne also cultivated an expertise in procurement fraud. Before delving into inspector general work, Yvonne served as a local prosecuting attorney for the State of Maryland, where she secured numerous convictions in cases ranging from felony violence, to police misconduct, to white-collar crimes. Among her accomplishments while a prosecutor, Yvonne initiated the investigation that led to one of the largest mortgage fraud cases in Maryland. Yvonne also served the State of Maryland as an Assistant Attorney General, where she investigated potential environmental crimes throughout the state and educated the public about environmental justice issues and awareness. Yvonne was honored as the 2018 Keynote Speaker for the Baltimore Federal Executive Board Annual Federal Women's Training and Development Program.

She attributes her success in operations, management, training, and investigations to her worldly upbringing as an "army brat" and to her mother's influence. She witnessed her mother's remarkable journey from a South Korean immigrant who barely spoke English to a successful business owner. Her ever changing childhood environment set forth a foundation of resilience that contributes to her success professionally and personally.

Yvonne obtained her Juris Doctor in 2003 from the University of Baltimore and a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations from Kennesaw State University in 1998. When she is away from work, Yvonne enjoys perfecting her photography skills, creating art through upcycling old furniture and being mom to two teenagers and her dog, Macie.


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