

Biographical Sketch (Glenn Cunha)

Serving as Inspector General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the last ten years has been an honor and a privilege. I have had the opportunity to work with talented and hardworking individuals who are deeply committed to the mission of our office – preventing and detecting fraud, waste and abuse of public funds. I have also had the good fortune to meet and speak with the many students who have taken our office's courses and training programs. As I complete my second term as IG, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the people of the Commonwealth and cap off a 28-year career of public service.

During my tenure at the OIG, the office initiated numerous initiatives that demonstrate a commitment to sound government practices, effective management of a state agency and a commitment to diversity and inclusion. In particular, the educational programs have expanded ten-fold from 500 students in 2012 to 5,000 in 2020. With the support of the Legislature, the office has added three embedded divisions to specifically oversee expenditures in the Department of Transportation, benefit programs in the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, and overtime and details in the Massachusetts State Police. In addition to these, the office created two new units designed to support our constituencies. Created in 2019, the Civil Recovery Unit pursues civil actions to recover public funds lost due to fraudulent acts typically perpetrated in a local jurisdiction or government agency. It works closely with the Attorney General's Office, the OIG's other investigative units as well as other state agencies and local governments. Created in 2021, the Pandemic Funding Oversight Unit oversees pandemic funding oversight to prevent, detect and correct fraud, waste and abuse related to COVID-19 response funds through training and compliance monitoring.

In 2017, I led the entire office in a 5-year strategic planning process. It has guided the office's work to be consistent with our statutory mandate. That process resulted in four goals for the office including cultivating a diverse, skilled and engaged workforce. To help meet that goal, the office created create diversity fellowships for lawyers and investigators. We now have the Frances Burke Diversity Fellowship for investigators and the Hon. Geraldine Hines Diversity Fellowship for lawyers. Notably, our first Burke Fellow completed her fellowship and is now an Investigator for the OIG. Our second and third Burke Fellows just started their second year, and our second Hines Fellow is well into his first year and all are performing at a high level.

With my seventeen years of experience as a state prosecutor, I have led numerous investigations that have led to criminal convictions and changes to laws and policies. I am proud of all the office's accomplishments over the last ten years particularly the professionalization of our fraud hotlines and our technical assistance hotline that provide a direct service to the public.

Prior to my service as IG, I served as Managing Attorney in the Criminal Bureau of the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office. In that position, while maintaining a caseload of public corruption and white-collar crime investigations, I oversaw a bureau of 50 attorneys who worked on cybercrime, drug investigations, insurance fraud, human trafficking and public corruption cases. Prior to that, I served as an Assistant District Attorney for nine years investigating and prosecuting cases that ranged from homicide to operating under the influence. I am currently an adjunct professor at Boston College Law School teaching courses in Government Oversight and Professional Responsibility.



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