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OSIG Names Deputy Inspector General for Audit



The Virginia Office of the State Inspector General (OSIG) is pleased to announce F. Michael (Mike) Taylor as the agency's new deputy inspector general for audit. Taylor, who assumed the position on Jan. 1, had previously served as the agency's director of Performance Audit Services since July 2016.

In his new role, Taylor oversees a 15-person team that conducts performance audits of executive branch state agencies, with a focus on improving efficiency and effectiveness in state programs and detecting and deterring waste of state resources and fraud.

"I am honored to serve in this role and to continue the work of leading performance audits of programs that have a direct impact on the health, safety and well-being of Virginia's citizens," said Taylor.

OSIG is currently conducting audits of the Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission and of chemical inventory management at Virginia's colleges and universities. Upcoming audits include the Virginia Department of Transportation's snow removal program and the Virginia Department of Health's Office of Drinking Water, among others. The division conducts its work in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS) as outlined by the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO).

Prior to joining OSIG, Taylor served as director of internal audit for Hanover County (2012-2016), city auditor for Stockton, Calif. (1994-2012) and audit supervisor for the city of Roanoke (1990-1994). He has held leadership roles for local, state and national audit organizations, including the Association of Local Government Auditors and the Institute of Internal Auditors. A graduate of Virginia Tech with a degree in accounting, Taylor is a certified public accountant (CPA) and a certified internal auditor (CIA).

The newly created deputy inspector general for audit position is part of a reorganization recently announced by State Inspector General Michael C. Westfall, which provides for two deputy inspectors general, one to oversee OSIG's audit activities and a second to manage the agency's investigative and administrative services.

Corrine A. Louden, who became OSIG's deputy inspector general in August 2018, has expanded responsibilities in her new role as deputy inspector general for investigations and administration. Louden now manages OSIG's investigative services; behavioral health and developmental services; internal audit oversight and training services; information technology (IT) services; and the business office.