



Biography

Department of the Army



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Mr. Fitzgerald was selected for the Senior Executive Service in December 1998. He assumed the duties of The Auditor General, U.S. Army on March 20, 2006. As the Army's Auditor General, Mr. Fitzgerald is responsible for managing the worldwide operation of the U.S. Army Audit Agency which provides internal audit service throughout the Department of the Army. The Agency's mission is to provide objective and independent auditing service to help the Army make informed decisions, resolve issues, use resources effectively and efficiently, and satisfy statutory and fiduciary responsibilities. Mr. Fitzgerald is also responsible for audit policy, training, follow-up, and liaison with external audit organizations.

He served as the Principal Deputy Auditor General from July 2004 to March 2006. Mr. Fitzgerald was the principal advisor to The Auditor General on all matters relating to the Agency's audit mission. His responsibilities included developing and overseeing the execution of the Agency's strategic audit plan to ensure it met the needs of Army leadership and overall management of audit operations to include prioritizing audit workload, allocating audit resources, and optimizing audit processes. In addition, Mr. Fitzgerald directed the planning, execution, and reporting of the Army's most sensitive and significant efforts. He collaborated with other accountability organizations such as the Department of Defense Inspector General and the Government Accountability Office on issues concerning the Agency's audit plans, projects, and results.

Mr. Fitzgerald served as the Deputy Auditor General, Policy and Operations Management from 2001 to 2004. He was principal advisor to The Auditor General on all matters pertaining to audit policy, follow-up, and liaison, auditor training and recruiting, and Agency resources. He provided management control over the Agency's operating budget, facilities, and management information system, and also oversaw the Agency's strategic plan and special studies.

He served as the Deputy Auditor General, Forces and Financial Management from 1998 to 2001. Mr. Fitzgerald was the principal advisor to The Auditor General on all matters pertaining to Agency programs for auditing the Army's major functional areas of forces and manpower management; financial operations; information technology; Corps of Engineers and civil works; and the Agency's Pacific Region.

CAREER CHRONOLOGY:

- 1996 –1998: Program Director, Corps of Engineers and Information Technology, U.S. Army Audit Agency (USAAA)
- 1995 –1996: Field Office Manager, Hanover Field Office, USAAA
- 1991 –1995: Audit Manager, Southeastern Region, USAAA
- 1990 –1991: Chief, Strategic Planning Branch, USAAA Headquarters
- 1989 –1990: Audit Manager, Special Programs Division, USAAA Headquarters
- 1986 –1989: Audit Supervisor, Special Programs Division, USAAA Headquarters
- 1980 –1986: Auditor, East Central Region, USAAA

COLLEGE:

- MPM, Policy and Management, Georgetown University, 2007
- BS, Business Administration/Accounting (Summa Cum Laude), University of Baltimore, 1980

CERTIFICATIONS:

- Certified Public Accountant
- Certified Information Systems Auditor
- Certified Government Financial Manager

AWARDS AND HONORS:

- Northern Virginia Association of Government Accountants -- Pentagon Memorial Service Award, 2009
- Meritorious Civilian Service Award, 2006
- Presidential Rank Award – Meritorious Executive, 2004
- Resource Management Award, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Financial Management & Comptroller), 1999
- Commander's Award for Civilian Service, 1996
- Regional Auditor General Award, 1993
- Achievement Medal for Civilian Service, 1991
- Commander's Award for Civilian Service, 1990

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS:

- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- American Society of Military Comptrollers
- Association of Government Accountants