

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE—The TVA Inspector General, Richard W. Moore, was confirmed by the United States Senate on September 14, 2017, as the new U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama after having been nominated by President Donald J. Trump in June of this year. Moore submitted his resignation letter as IG to President Trump effective the date of his appointment as the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama. President Trump has signed his commission and Moore will be sworn in tomorrow in Mobile, Alabama.

In his resignation letter to the President the IG stated: “It has been my great honor to serve with the many fine professionals in the Office of Inspector General at TVA since being nominated to the position of Inspector General by former President George W. Bush and later confirmed by the United States Senate in May of 2003. The audits, evaluations, and investigations of the TVA OIG have made TVA better over the last 14 years and that has been due, in part, to the cooperation our office has received from both the TVA Board and TVA’s management team. I am grateful to all of those many TVA Board members and management executives who worked with the OIG to implement our recommendations to improve the programs and processes of TVA.

The quality of work of the employees of the TVA Office of Inspector General continuously improved over the years due, in part, to an increasingly high level of engagement and dedication to the mission of the OIG to “make TVA better.” The TVA OIG employees were recognized by the Partnership for Public Service’s “Best Places to Work in the Federal Government” for their extraordinary achievement by ranking number one in 2015 and 2016 for subcomponents of federal agencies on the Office of Personnel Management’s Viewpoint survey. This highly motivated group of professionals is responsible for identifying more than \$1.1 billion in questioned costs, funds put to better use, recoveries and savings, and other monetary loss for TVA over the past 14 years. Our Deputy Inspector General Jill Matthews will now become the Acting Inspector General. Jill is a highly professional servant leader who is highly regarded both in our office and at TVA. She will continue to ably lead the OIG until the President appoints a new IG.”

“I want to thank President Donald J. Trump for nominating me as U.S. Attorney and Attorney General Jeff Sessions and Senator Richard Shelby for their support during the nomination process. I am eager to now lead an office where I served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for more than 17 years and one which I know to have a cadre of professionals who are dedicated to the highest ideals of public service. Together we will give our best efforts to fostering public trust and confidence in the rule of law as we appear in court to pursue justice and to protect the interests of the United States of America. I look forward to working closely with our colleagues in federal, state, and local law enforcement over the coming years. ”

Moore is part of the “first wave” of President Trump’s nominees for the position of U.S. Attorney to be confirmed by the U.S. Senate. The U.S. Attorney serves as the chief Federal law enforcement officer within his or her Federal judicial district. These candidates share the President’s vision for “Making America Safe Again.”

While serving as the Inspector General, Mr. Moore was the Chairman of the Investigations Committee for the Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) between May 2009 and March 2011. Prior to his appointment as Inspector General, Mr. Moore served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama from 1985 to 2003. During that time, Mr. Moore prosecuted criminal cases involving white collar crimes, official corruption, and general Federal crimes. During his time at the U.S. Attorney’s Office, Mr. Moore also served as chief of the criminal division, as senior litigation counsel, and as coordinator of the Anti-Terrorism Task Force. Earlier in his career, Mr. Moore was in private practice in Mobile, Alabama, and Cleveland, Ohio. From 1997 to 1998, Mr. Moore was an Atlantic Fellow in Public Policy at Oxford University in England. Mr. Moore received his B.S., *summa cum laude*, from Spring Hill College in 1974, and his J.D. from the Samford University Cumberland School of Law in 1977. In 2015, Mr. Moore was named Cumberland School of Law’s Distinguished Alumnus of the Year.