

INSURANCE FRAUD BUREAU OF MASSACHUSETTS

IFB Marks 25 Years of Fraud-Fighting Success 73 Individuals Recognized at 25th Anniversary Awards Ceremony

Over the past twenty-five years, many individuals and organizations have contributed to the success of the Insurance Fraud Bureau. On May 26, 2016, the IFB observed its 25th anniversary with an awards ceremony held at the Moakley Federal Court House. Seventy-three individuals from the insurance industry, law enforcement agencies and prosecutors' offices were recognized "for outstanding and invaluable contributions toward the fight against insurance fraud in Massachusetts." Award recipients represented individuals who have made significant contributions to the IFB's mission to investigate, prevent and deter insurance fraud. The following individuals were recognized:

- · Christopher Aiello, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Suffolk County District Attorney
- · Benjamin Alvis, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation
- · David Andrews, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General Maura Healey
- · Gregory Barry, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Berkshire County District Attorney
- · Adrian Bispham, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Suffolk County District Attorney
- · Kimberly Blackwood, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation
- · Detective Steven Blair, Boston Police Department
- · Detective Scott Blakeney, Worcester Police Department
- · Sandra Bower, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Office of United States Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz
- · Sheriff Thomas Bowler, Berkshire County Sheriff's Office
- · Derek Byron, Special Investigation Unit, Plymouth Rock Assurance Corporation
- · Jeremy Bucci, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Northwestern District Attorney's Office
- · Darlene Cacace, Forensic Accountant, Federal Bureau of Investigation
- · Detective Ted Cass, Springfield Police Department
- · Suzette Cavanaugh, Special Investigation Unit, Pilgrim Insurance Company
- · Audrey Cosgrove, former Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General Maura Healey
- · Jennifer Cotter, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General Maura Healey
- · Detective Sergeant Kevin Crimmins, New York City Police Department
- · Lieutenant John Cummings, Massachusetts State Police
- · Detective Thomas Dawley, Pittsfield Police Department
- · Thomas Demeo, Special Agent, Internal Revenue Service
- · Officer Darren Derby, Pittsfield Police Department
- · John Doherty, Special Agent, Internal Revenue Service
- · Detective Patrick Donohue, New York City Police Department
- · Michael Donovan, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Cape & Islands District Attorney
- · Shane Eldredge, Special Investigation Unit, Mapfre Insurance
- · Matthew Elio, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation
- · April English, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General Maura Healey
- · Thomas Enos, former Special Investigation Unit, Safety Insurance Company
- · Kelsey Force, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Suffolk County District Attorney
- · James Forsyth, First Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Hampden County District Attorney
- · Steven Gagne, First Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Northwestern District Attorney
- · Jennifer Goldstein, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General Maura Healey

- · Matthew Green, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Hampden County District Attorney
- · Matthew Griffin, Special Investigation Unit, MetLife Auto & Home
- · Kevin Griswold, Special Investigation Unit, Plymouth Rock Assurance Corporation
- · Officer Ryan Guthrie, Lawrence Police Department
- · Lori Holik, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Office of United States Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz
- · Rita Iacone, Supervisory Special Agent, FBI Health Care Fraud Unit
- · Renee Iantosca, Special Agent, Internal Revenue Service
- · Ann Jablonski, Health New England
- · Neil Johnson, Assistant Vice President, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
- · Detective David Kornacki, Ludlow Police Department
- · Nancy LaFreniere, Claims Department, Progressive Insurance Company
- · Officer Robert LeBlanc, Lynn Police Department
- · Andrew Lelling, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Office of United States Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz
- · Lynn Police Department
- · Trooper Corey Mackay, Massachusetts State Police
- · Philip Mallard, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Essex County District Attorney
- · Trooper Michael Martin, Massachusetts State Police
- · Kelly McClare, Special Investigation Unit, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
- · Nancy McCormick, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation
- · Mike Merolli, Special Investigation Unit, Mapfre Insurance
- · Detective Alison Metcalfe, Ludlow Police Department
- · Jennifer Mullen, Blue Cross/Blue Shield Massachusetts
- · Kristen Noto, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Middlesex County District Attorney
- · John O'Leary, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Worcester County District Attorney
- · Joshua Pakstis, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General Maura Healey
- · Brian Pérez-Daple, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Office of United States Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz
- · Daniel Pettinato, Special Investigation Unit, Arbella Mutual Insurance Company
- · Frank Pietrasik, Hanover Insurance Company
- · John Powers, Special Investigation Unit, Plymouth Rock Assurance Corporation
- · Officer Steve Ricardi, Ludlow Police Department
- · Sergeant Michael Simard, Lawrence Police Department
- · Karen Southerland, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the Hampden County District Attorney
- · Edward Spellman III, Special Investigation Unit, Arbella Mutual Insurance Company
- · Vassili Thomadakis, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Office of United States Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz
- · Detective Sergeant Louis Tulik, Ludlow Police Department
- · Sarah Walters, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Office of United States Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz
- · Jennifer Williams, Special Investigation Unit, MetLife Auto & Home
- · Jonathan Wlodyka, Special Agent, Internal Revenue Service
- · Shelby Wright, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Office of United States Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz
- · Chief Michael Wynn, Pittsfield Police Department

The IFB wishes to acknowledge everyone—from insurance industry representatives, law enforcement and public agency personnel, to the public—who submit suspected insurance fraud referrals for possible investigation. The prosecutors of the Offices of the Attorney General, United States Attorney and District Attorneys, federal and local law enforcement and other public agencies, insurance companies and many others have contributed to our success. We thank everyone for their dedication and perseverance in fighting insurance fraud.