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Gladis C. Griffith is the Deputy General Counsel for the U.S. Postal Service, Office of Inspector General (USPSOIG). She has provided legal advice to OIG special agents for over seventeen years on all aspects of investigations, including search and seizure, undercover operations, surveillance, qui tams, whistleblower reprisals, and subpoena issuance and enforcement. She has assisted with criminal, civil, and administrative proceedings, including suspensions and debarments.

At USPSOIG, Ms. Griffith ensures the legal quality of counsel to OIG investigations, provides legal training, runs the OIG ethics program, and counsels on OIG reviews of complex postal programs and operations. The Postal Service processes and delivers over a third of the world's mail and as a leader in the Universal Postal Union establishes best practices and rules for the international mail community. Ms. Griffith was instrumental in helping the Republic of Armenia develop an audit infrastructure and establish an infrastructure to sustain change and train personnel.

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