

Audit Trails

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Free Member Webinars

2/13/2025

[Greenwashing & Bill C-59](#)

2/25/2025

[Transformative Auditing with AI: 3 practical use cases - IIA](#)

Audit Job Openings

[Internal Auditor I - State of Oklahoma](#)

If you have any jobs you would like posted in the newsletter, please let one of the chapter officers know and we can have these posted for you!

We are now accepting applications for all positions for the upcoming year. We invite anyone interested to email Cory about volunteering for this position.

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Welcome New IIA OKC Members

Katelyn Barry

Will Nguyen

Please give a warm welcome to the following members who are new to our chapter:

Upcoming Conferences

[GAM: Great Audit Minds Conference](#)

Leverage the power of innovation and thought leadership with the largest gathering of chief audit executives at the 2025 GAM: Great Audit Minds Conference, March 10-12, 2025 in Orlando, FL.

[2025 Fraud Virtual Conference](#)

February 20, 2025 | Through decades of fighting fraud, Internal Auditors and The IIA have learned that the only way to stop fraud is to stay ahead of the criminals. This year's conference is titled "Digital Detectives: Investigating Fraud in the Age of Technology."



Congratulations to our newly certified members!

Lacey Willis
Jamie Schmidt

President's Message

Greetings IIA OKC Chapter Members!

Somehow, January managed to feel like it flew by in a blink *and* lasted about three years at the same time. Time is truly an auditor's greatest mystery!

Looking towards our future CPE event in February, we thrilled to host a joint event with the OSCP which will feature Oklahoma State Auditor Cindy Byrd. This event is at Gaillardia Country Club on February 20th and doors will open at 11:15 with opening remarks beginning at 11:57am and closing remarks at 12:50pm. This event always draws a big crowd and will have phenomenal food so please sign up at the link below prior to February 10th to guarantee your spot!

- <https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=826970&>

I want to thank the many of you I saw for the presentation Zach Bowen gave on "Integrity: The Ultimate Buzzword" in January. Zach is one of the best at making 2-hour ethics presentations entertaining, engaging, and exciting – everyone even got a goodie bag! We hope to have Zach back next year to see what fun pop quizzes he has in store for us!

We are still looking for volunteers to be officers or assistants to strengthen our chapter and keep the momentum going into the 2025/2026 chapter year. If you are looking to expand your professional network and contribute in as big or small of a way as your time allows, please reach out to myself or one of our officers.

Warm Regards,

Cory Brown

President, IIA Oklahoma City Chapter 2024/2025

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Current Chapter Events

February 2025 Join Meeting with OSCPA:

Date: February 20th, 2025

Location: Gaillardia Country Club or Zoom

5300 Gaillardia Blvd

Time: 11:30am - 1pm

Speaker: State Auditor Cindy Byrd

Topic: Current Events in Oklahoma

CPE: 1



Cindy Byrd is Oklahoma's 13th State Auditor & Inspector. She is the first woman elected to serve as the taxpayer's watchdog.

A CPA with 28 years of government auditing experience, Cindy has conducted audits of federal, state, county and municipal entities. Cindy's audits have identified millions in misappropriated tax dollars and called out wasteful spending at every level of government.

During Cindy's tenure, the office has published nearly 2000 audits including the following, which garnered statewide and national attention:

- A first of its kind Medicaid audit that revealed weak processes mandated by the federal government as well as \$1.6 billion in questioned expenditures.
- A public charter school audit that exposed tens of millions in misappropriated funds and received the 2022 Excellence in Accountability Award for Forensic Audit from the National State Auditor's Association.
- An audit of COVID funds which reported millions in fraudulent unemployment claims.

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Past Chapter Events

Seminar - "Integrity: The Ultimate Buzzword"

Exploring what integrity truly means beyond being just a buzzword. Practical Applications: Discussing how integrity influences our daily work and decision-making. Building Trust: Emphasizing the importance of integrity in fostering trust within our teams and with stakeholders. Navigating Ethical Dilemmas: Sharing strategies for handling complex ethical situations with integrity.

2025 International Conference

July 14-16, 2025 | Toronto, Canada & Virtually

The IIA's 2025 International Conference sets the stage in sharing new and forward-looking information and leading practices in pursuing excellence in internal audit. As internal auditors increasingly become trusted advisors and an integral part of their organizations, they are compelled to broaden their arsenal of skills. This conference will prepare audit professionals to embrace and learn new technologies and implement new tools and techniques to effectively respond to shifting business and risk landscapes.

[Registration](#)



IIA Partnership with ACUA

We are thrilled to invite our colleagues, members of the IIA Oklahoma City Chapter, to join [ACUA's Audit Interactive conference](#) from March 9 to 12 at the Sheraton Downtown Hotel. This exceptional event promises a dynamic blend of insightful, in-depth sessions, networking opportunities, and innovative discussions that will enrich your professional journey.

ACUA has a special discount code ONLY for IIA Chapter members in Oklahoma. You will receive the ACUA member early bird pricing, a \$400 discount, when using **code AI25OKC** when you register. Don't miss out on this opportunity and to add the IIA's High-Impact Audit Reporting and/or Leveraging Artificial Intelligence in Internal Audit to your registration! This offer ends on Friday, February 7.
