Foreword

This special edition of the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Digest is dedicated to women in federal law enforcement. When I say women in federal law enforcement, I do not mean a committee in Washington, DC. I mean the women who have chosen law enforcement careers and whose contributions have made and continue to make significant improvements in law enforcement.

This publication began as an effort to highlight the 1991 Joint Committee on Women In Federal Law Enforcement (WIFLE) training conference which celebrated the twentieth anniversary of women in federal law enforcement. We had never attempted a magazine of this nature, and so this has been a learning process for us.

First, let me say we appreciate the efforts of every agency and individual who contributed material for the publication. Without your help, we would not have a publication.

Second, we regret the delay in getting the publication to you. In these times of shrinking budget and staff, we were often faced with competing priorities. Although the material on the 1991 WIFLE conference may seem dated when you receive this, we hope you can use it to plan for your agency's participation in the 1992 conference.

You may direct any questions concerning the upcoming conference to your agency representative on the WIFLE committee or to the Federal Bureau of Investigation who will be sponsoring the 1992 conference.

More importantly, we hope you will take the time to enjoy reading about the various federal law enforcement agencies and the accomplishments of women in those agencies. We take pride in being able to highlight these women's careers in a publication which is being distributed to all federal law enforcement agencies.

If you or your agency would like to publish a similar document in the future, we would be happy to share what we have learned with you. If you have questions or comments about the publication, please call me at (202) 622-3240.

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