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COL Leslie E. Darling assumed duties as the Executive Officer to The Inspector General on 13 June 2022.

COL Darling is a native of Silver City, New Mexico, and a graduate of Methodist University in Fayetteville, North Carolina. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice, and she was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Ordnance Corps in 1994. COL Darling also obtained a Master's degree in Strategic Studies from the Air War College in Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama.

COL Darling previously served as the Chief, Strategic Initiatives Group, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-9, Headquarters, Department of the Army, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., in 2021; Director of Human Resources Management, Operation Resolute Support, Combine Security Transition Command-Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan, in 2020; Commander, Eastern Sector, United States Military Entrance Processing Command, North Chicago, Illinois, in 2019.

COL Darling has served in command and staff positions in the Continental United States, Germany, Israel, and Afghanistan with 1st Corps Support Command (Airborne), 1st Sustainment Command (Theater) Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Combined Arms Center, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; 1st Cavalry Division; Headquarters, Fort Hood, Texas; and the Combined Joint Task Force-East, Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan. U.S. Embassy, Tel Aviv, Israel and U.S. Consulate in Jerusalem; Office of the Deputy Commanding General, United States Army Europe & 7th Army; 510th Personnel Services Battalion, 1st Personnel Command; Headquarters, Office of the Commanding General, United States Army Europe and 7th Army, Heidelberg, Germany; and the Headquarters, 507th Support Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

COL Darling's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Silver Leaf Cluster), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Commendation Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Superior Unit Award (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Parachutist Badge, Army Staff Identification Badge and Army Inspectors General Badge.

COL Darling is married to William Darling. They have five sons, Anthony, Bryan, Joshua, Matthew and Jordan; four grandchildren, Denalli, Secora, Audric, Dexton; and two dogs, Cooper and Sage.