

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2026 Legislative Session

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Resolution No. 154 2026

Introduced by: Liz Walsh

SHORT TITLE: Appointment – Liman (Julia) Zhu – Inspector General Advisory Board

TITLE: A RESOLUTION appointing Liman (Julia) Zhu to the Inspector General Advisory Board to fill a term ending on April 7, 2030.

Introduced and read first time Sep 8, 2026.

By order

Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on Sep 22, 2026.

By order

Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted ☒, Adopted with amendments___, Failed___, Withdrawn___, by the County Council on Oct 5, 2026.

Certified By

Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

WHEREAS, Section 22.1300(b) of the Howard County Code provides that members of the Inspector General Advisory Board shall be comprised of seven members appointed by the County Council by Council resolution; and

WHEREAS, each Councilmember and the County Executive shall nominate one member each to the Inspector General Advisory Board, and one member shall be nominated by a majority of the County Council from a selection of names solicited through a public process; and

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy for the Councilmanic District 1 representative on the Inspector General Advisory Board for a term that expires on April 7, 2030; and

WHEREAS, the County Council has the utmost confidence in the abilities and the character of:

Liman (Julia) Zhu

Woodstock, Maryland

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland this 5 day of October, 2026 that Liman (Julia) Zhu be appointed as a member of the Inspector General Advisory Board of Howard County, Maryland representing the First Councilmanic District, to serve from the date this Resolution is adopted until April 7, 2030, or until a successor is appointed.

Liman (Julia) Zhu, CPA

20+ years of auditing experience in both government & private sector | Conducted investigation in high-risk areas | Developed new strategies on precedence-setting campaigns | Interviewed, selected & mentored new team members | Collaborated with multi-organizations in resolving issues and reached agreements | Received consecutive performance awards during 2015-2024

Senior Revenue Agent – U.S. Department of Treasury

Baltimore, MD
5/2012 - Present

- Lead audits for a variety of entities, including corporations, partnerships, and individuals.
- Identified complex compliance issues, developing audit plans to resolve discrepancies.
- Proposed and implemented innovative strategies for precedence-setting campaigns.
- Represented the department at bi-monthly intergovernmental conferences, identifying emerging abusive tax transactions and fostering international cooperation.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams, including auditing team, legal counsel and appeals officers, etc. to resolve audit issues and align on best practices.
- Produced and delivered official reports and memoranda to stakeholders, summarizing findings and outlining recommended changes.
- Delivered training to new hires and shared technical expertise with industry to promote knowledge transfer and best practices.
- Interviewed and selected and mentored new team members

Financial Products Specialist- U.S. Department of Treasury

New York, NY
9/2010 - 5/2012

- Conducted audit of complex financial issues.
- Collaborated with team members to create and execute comprehensive audit plans.
- Issued official memoranda detailing audit findings and compliance recommendations.

Manager -KPMG LLP

New York, NY
1/2005 - 7/2010

- Provided compliance and advisory services to a variety of global corporation and partnership clients.
- Managed the preparation of compliance filings for federal, state, and international reporting requirements.
- Offered strategic advice to clients on tax planning and regulatory updates, ensuring proactive tax compliance.
- Led technical workshops to share insights and promote staff development on tax issues.

Education:

State University of New York, Binghamton

Master of Science in Accountancy

GPA 3.8/4.0